



## Our Part in the Diamond Jubilee

AS for the country at large, so for Canadian Scouting did the Diamond Jubilee of Confederation go into history as an historic milestone. Probably never before were our Scouts so generally called upon to play the many roles of which they are capable on a great public occasion. And it is particularly gratifying that in the wide newspaper mention of Scout activities special note was made, not of Scouts marching in parades, but of numerous acts of service rendered during the three crowded days of celebration and commemoration.

These public service Good Turns included lining parade routes, aiding the authorities in handling school children's parades, assisting the police in controlling traffic, preparing seating

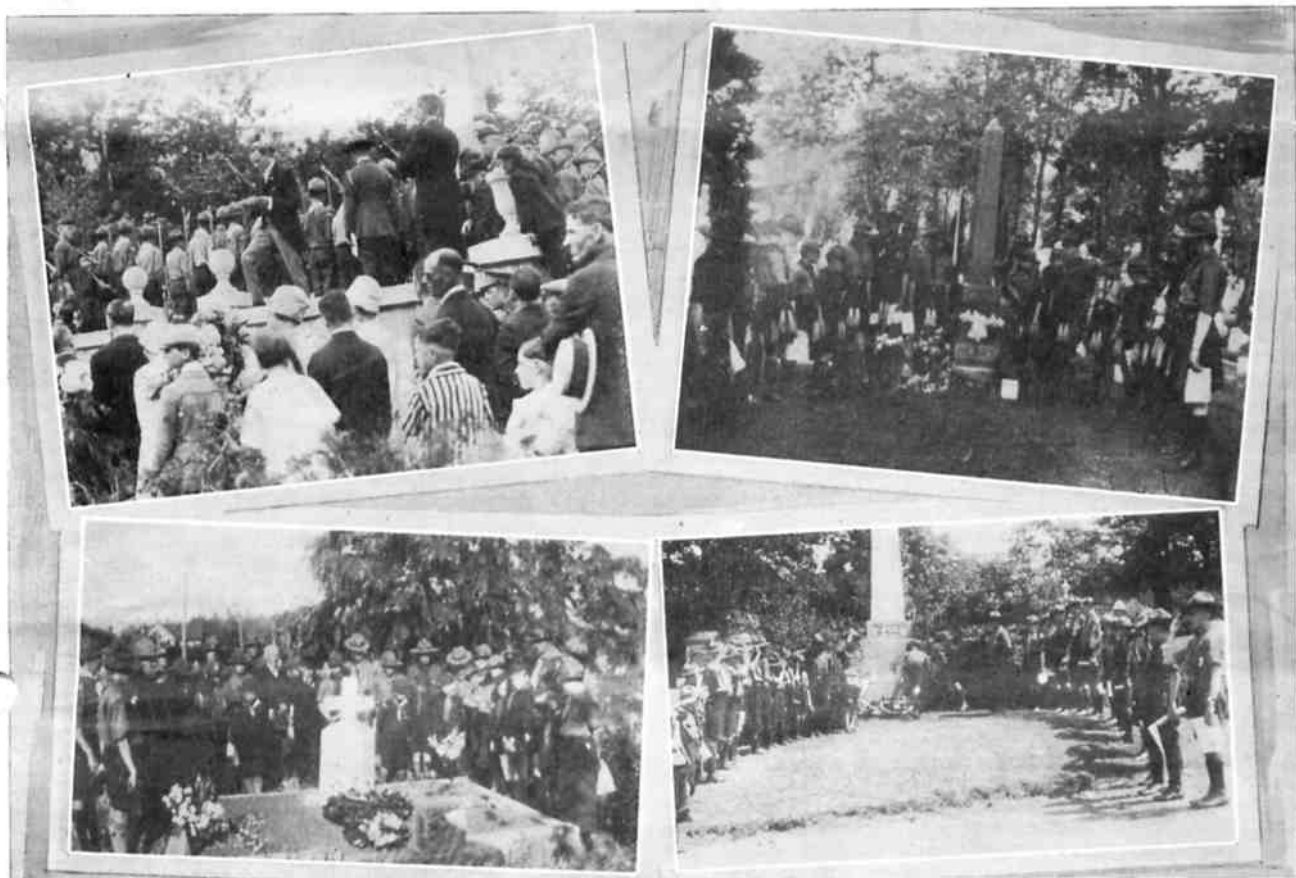
arrangements in parks for the Sunday Thanksgiving Services, acting as ushers, distributing programmes and song sheets; supplying guards of honour at memorial services, lining-off enclosures with a cordon of Scout staves. And, most frequently of all, assisting those overcome in the great crowds, distributing water to the faint or thirsty, maintaining first aid depots and lost children's bureaus.

Only a few samples of this service can be mentioned here. "The assistance rendered on Thursday and Friday was invaluable," wrote Chief of Police Shute of Edmonton to District Commissioner Hilton. "There were a large number of children lost who received attention from the Scouts; and during

the parade on Friday there were seven cases of minor injuries for which Scouts rendered first aid." Similar letters were received from Mayor Bury and Mr. G. A. McKee, Superintendent of Schools, the latter referring particularly to the part played by the Scouts in connection with a great parade of the city's school children.

The special activities of the Toronto Scouts commenced three days before July 1st, when they began the distribution of 30,000 official programmes, the proceeds of which went to the Confederated Charities and Returned Soldiers' Fund. On June 28th they provided a Guard of Honour to take part in the ceremony of decorating the various monuments in Queen's Park; and thereafter they were busy in numerous capacities until the conclusion of the celebration. An outstanding

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### Scouts Decorate the Graves of the Fathers of Confederation on Behalf of the Nation

ANGLO-Canadian Scouts of Quebec City and French-Canadian Scouts of Charny travelled over 40 miles by autobus to decorate the grave of the Hon. Sir Etienne Tache at St. Thomas-de-Montmagny. Church school cadets participated. District Commissioner Wm. Wood of Quebec reading the address. 2.—The Halifax Highland Troop of the North British Society at the grave of the Hon. William Alexander Henry, Camp Hill Cemetery, Halifax, N. S. 3.—District Commissioner H. T. Ravenhill and a composite troop of Scouts and Cubs at the grave of the Hon. John Hamilton Gray, Ross Bay Cemetery, Victoria, B. C. The tall civilian figure is that of a son, John Henry Gray. 4.—Placing the wreath on the grave of the Hon. Alexander Tilloch Galt by Montreal Scouts, District Commissioner T. H. Wardleworth directing. Scouts of Greek, Polish and Jewish origin participated with French-Canadian and Anglo-Canadian Scouts in decorating the graves of the three Fathers of Confederation buried in Montreal.

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## "Positively Carried Out"

SAID a member of the National Jubilee Committee at the meeting at which the duty of officially decorating the graves of the Fathers of Confederation was assigned to the Boy Scouts: "We shall be placing the task in the hands of a body which will see to it that it is positively carried out."

That this high tribute was vindicated in every instance will be a matter of gratification to every Scout leader throughout the Dominion,—and an inspiration.

The task was not an easy one. It was not merely a case of the Boy Scouts Sub-Committee of the National Jubilee Committee receiving a type-written list of burial places and certain printed matter, and in return providing a list of Scoutmasters to whom to send wreaths; and at the Scoutmasters' end, a mere parade to the cemetery.

At Ottawa, in addition to working out the details of the programme, preparing a suggested address, and writing thirty-five special brief biographies, there was several weeks of letter writing, and at the end much telegraphing. A number of the burial places had received no attention for years, if at all, and their location was uncertain. In one instance the grave was "located" successively at four different points, the final and correct location being discovered only a few days before the day of decoration, and after the wreath, programmes, biography, etc., had been sent the nearest troop, located some 20 miles from burial place No. 3. In another case the grave of one of the Fathers was claimed simultaneously by two localities, and two weeks of telegraphing and correspondence was required to clear the matter up.

At their end Commissioners and Scoutmasters concerned had many details to arrange in order that the decoration might be carried out successfully and to the satisfaction of everyone concerned. There was the arranging with the local authorities so that the decoration ceremony might be incorporated in the local day's programme; consultation with the relatives of the Confederation Father or Fathers concerned, and with the cemetery authorities; the arranging in several instances for transportation

by car, auto-bus or rail; a visit to the cemetery to plan the approach to the grave, and any modification of the horseshoe made necessary by the position of the monument or gravestone; in some cases there was the always somewhat difficult task of arranging for a composite troop of patrols from several troops and finally there were the troop rehearsals for the ceremony, and the important matter of ensuring that each boy would be correctly and neatly uniformed for the important occasion.

These details are given in order that Scout leaders generally may appreciate the proportions of the duty performed; also the standing of the Movement in the estimation of the experienced men composing the National Jubilee Committee; who knew well the size of the task when they assigned it to us with the unqualified expression of confidence quoted.

Let this be to all of us an inspiration for future public service, small or great,—that we, each and severally, will only add to the Movement's reputation as a body which will see to it that any duty assigned—

"... is positively carried out."

## A CENT A WEEK TO TAKE SCOUTING TO OTHER BOYS



AN Edmonton Diamond Jubilee Scout Float.

### Awarded the Silver Wolf

IN recognition of many years of valuable service to Scouting in Moose Jaw, Sask., District Commissioner Andrew K. Strachan had the double honour of being decorated with the Silver Wolf at the hands of the Prince of Wales, during the latter's visit to Moose Jaw.

During a summer tour of the Maritime Provinces, Viscount Willingdon, as Chief Scout for Canada, conferred the decoration of the Honorary Silver Wolf upon District Commissioner W. C. Carter of Sydney. The ceremony, and the receiving by His Excellency of John Fitzgerald and Sydney Harris, two Scout rescue heroes, was made the headline feature of the Sydney newspaper accounts of the Governor General's visit. At Truro the local troops came in from camp to take part in His Excellency's reception, and the Chief Scout presented warrants to Scoutmasters Barrett and Ramsay. Elsewhere Viscount Willingdon met local Scouts whenever camping and timetable permitted.

In connection with the presentation of the Honorary Silver Wolf to Mr. Geoffrey Guiton, in recognition of long and unusually valuable service in var-

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During the summer troops in numerous places participated in Decoration Day services at local cemeteries.

Canadian Scouting in general and Toronto in particular suffered a serious loss in the death of District Commissioner John Kent. Mr. Kent was manager of the great Canadian National Exhibition.

During their Jubilee visit to Canada the Prince of Wales, Prince George and Premier Baldwin met Scouts whenever this was possible. Scout reviews noted in the press included those at Sydney, N.S., Halifax, Montreal, Moose Jaw and Regina.

Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, Premier of New Brunswick, was invested as a Scout during a visit to the summer camp of the Glen Falls Troop. The ceremony was performed by Assistant District Commissioner Fred Choppin of Saint John.

Leaders in a number of the larger centres had the pleasure during August and September of meeting Francis C. Legge, recently appointed Assistant Commissioner to Sir Alfred Pickford, Commissioner for Overseas. Mr. Legge was touring Canada and the Eastern States in company with Mr. P. C. Sheridan, of the Railway Board of India.

A week-end training camp for Patrol Leaders held Sept. 10th-11th under the direction of Executive Secretary E. R. Paterson of Montreal proved a most promising success. Twenty-one Patrol Leaders and eleven other officers were present from six troops. The camp was run on the Patrol System and each day's programme laid out on Gillwell lines.

Scoutmaster Ernest H. Day, of one of Ottawa's smartest troops, the 9th (St. Barnabas'), had the honour of traveling across Canada as a member of the entourage of the Prince of Wales, Prince George and Premier Baldwin. A gratifying impression brought back from the 8,000 mile tour was the neat appearance and correct uniform of Scouts wherever seen, from British Columbia to Nova Scotia and P.E.I.

Premier Baldwin's last view of Canada was that of a pierhead lined with cheering and hat-waving Scouts. Immediately prior to his embarkation on the Empress of Scotland at North Sydney he inspected two of the local troops (described as two of the smartest seen on the tour); and when the Empress passed about the end of the long wharf the Scouts were discovered lined up, dipping their flags in final farewell. The flag of the Empress promptly responded, and the British Premier acknowledged the tribute from the bridge.

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bit of work by 500 Scouts was the part they played in handling a throng of more than 100,000 people at a great evening military tattoo at Willowvale.

At Regina the Scouts and Guides, on request, prepared a float emblematic of the Jubilee and the Scout and Guide movements. First aid patrols were provided for Broad Street Park and Victoria School, where the school children were mustered for their part in the celebration, and Scouts were assigned to assist at the Red Cross hospital tent at Wascana Park.

Fredericton, N.B., Scouts formed a horseshoe, with staves, around the stand for the Sunday Jubilee Thanksgiving service, and on the 1st and 2nd provided Scouts to assist the police in controlling street traffic.

At Winnipeg on Sunday the Scouts acted as Guards of Honour, or formed cordons for the decoration of ten monuments, and a large corps of Scouts aided the St. John Ambulance unit at the Sunday service at the Parliament Buildings, distributed programmes, etc. A feature of the Winnipeg general programme was a great Scout and Cub rally at Assiniboine Park on Friday afternoon, attended by a record crowd, and addressed by Sir James Aikins, Chief Scout for Manitoba, upon the "History and Importance of Confederation to Canada."

The activities of Ottawa Scouts included the carrying and distribution of water among the school children and others in the great throng that attended the opening ceremonies on Parliament Hill.

At St. Catharines, Ont., the Chamber of Commerce turned its board room over to the Scouts for a headquarters from which to look after lost children (of whom 35 were restored to anxious parents). First aid units assisted the Victorian Order of Nurses, and at the Sunday afternoon Thanksgiving service in the park Scouts manned a first aid tent supplied by the Lions Club, distributed hymn sheets and otherwise assisted. One of the most popular features of the big parade was a float representing Canadian girlhood, and escorted by a fully equipped troop of Boy Scouts.

At Nelson, B.C., the local Scouts raised a special flagpole on the Recreation Grounds, erected and manned two first aid tents, and took part in the school section of the parade.

At Chilliwack, B.C., Scouts and Guides maintained a first aid station at the fair grounds.

At Prince Albert, Sask., the Scouts in addition to furnishing a float for the parade, helped control traffic at the opening of the new Confederation Boulevard, and stationed the various school groups on the platform.

At Medicine Hat, Alta., Cubs and Scouts assisted in handling the big parade of school children.

At Sherbrooke, Que., the Scouts effectively added to the decoration of the city by interesting the City Council and merchants in erecting flagpoles in front of each place of business.

At Saint John, N.B., the Scouts took part in the morning programme at Barrack Green, at the War Memorial ceremonies on King's Square, and in the big afternoon parade. On the

following day they distributed programmes in connection with the Jubilee regatta.

At St. Andrews, N.B., the Scouts contrived the prize float of the parade, representing "The Driving of the Last Spike" of the C.P.R. They led the procession of school children, erected a first aid tent on the sports ground, and collected the material for and lit an immense bonfire in the evening.

Similar roles were played by the Scouts in smaller places. Mayor Gledhill of Kincardine through the local press thanked the Scouts for the moving of chairs and benches to the park and back to the town hall for the Sunday Thanksgiving service, the distributing of programmes, and other help. Port Colborne, Ont., Scouts distributed programmes for the service at the Cenotaph, provided assistants for the doctor at the first aid tent at the athletic field, and were on duty at the beacon fire.

Worthy of special mention is the Port Dalhousie Troop, Ont., the boys of which, although without a Scoutmaster, organized and carried out excellent first aid and lost-children work.



One of the Vancouver Scout and Cub Jubilee Floats.

## Decoration of the Graves of the Fathers of Confederation

THE event of especial importance and significance was the decoration by the fortunate Scouts concerned of the graves of the Fathers of Confederation, as official representatives of the nation. Rarely has so important an act of national remembrance been assigned to a volunteer organization; and that this duty was duly and effectively carried out at each of the thirty-five burial places, and in some instances notwithstanding serious difficulties, will always be for us a matter of pride.

Only at Amherst, N.S., was it impossible to arrange for a ceremony actually handled by Scouts. All effort was made to bring in outside Scouts, but every available troop in that part of the province was under demand for local Jubilee activities. However, arrangements were made with the Amherst municipal authorities to carry out the decoration on behalf of the Boy Scouts Association, with the Scout programme, and this was very effectively done with the aid of the Public School Cadet Corps and the British

Empire Service League. Dr. C. W. Bliss, a relative of the Hon. Robert Barry Dickie, placed the wreath.

The programme as outlined in the June Scout Leader was followed everywhere, and in most cases simultaneously, at noon, as planned. In a number of instances this meant that the Scouts taking part denied themselves the privilege of participating in or witnessing other celebration features, but this was done readily and cheerfully.

The Scouts of Charlottetown, P.E.I., under the direction of Provincial Commissioner, Hon. D. A. McKinnon, K.C., and accompanied by the Premier, the Hon. J. D. Stewart, K.C., had the honour of conducting the greatest number of decorations. In nearly every case the wreath was placed by a descendent,—at the grave of the Hon. John Hamilton Gray by two great grandsons, Ernest Lord and Artie Wright; at the grave of the Hon. Edward Palmer by Mr. H. J. Palmer, K.C., and his little granddaughter Miss Peggy Palmer; at the grave of the Hon. George Coles by a great grandson, Master Edward Miller; at the grave of the Hon. Thomas Heath Haviland by a grandson, Patrol Leader Peake; at the grave of the Hon. A.A. Macdonald by Scout Reginald McGuigan, and at the grave of the Hon. Edward Whalen by Mr. Fred Robbins, a grandson of the Hon. George Coles.

The initial address, at the grave of Hon. John Hamilton Gray, was delivered by Premier Stewart. Other addresses were made by Provincial Commissioner McKinnon, by Acting Curate Gabriel of St. Peter's and by Rev. Fr. McMahon.

Various Halifax Troops made an impressive occasion of the decoration of the graves of the Hons. William Alexander Henry, Jonathan McCully, Sir Charles Tupper and J. W. E. Ritchie. At Truro the 1st Truro Troop officiated most effectively, in the presence of a large gathering of citizens, including members of the family of the Hon. Sir Adams George Archibald. The prayers were led by Dr. Bruce, a personal friend of Sir Adams.

To decorate the burial place of the Hon. Edward Barron Chandler, the 1st Moncton (Rotary) Troop, N.B., under Scoutmaster Frampton and District Commissioner Buzzell, journeyed to Dorchester, N.B., and carried out a very effective ceremony in co-operation with the local municipal officers and the children of the local schools. Transportation was arranged by the Moncton Rotary Club, the president and several of whose members accompanied the troop.

Quebec City Scouts in charge of Scoutmaster Cartwright, accompanied by a detachment of Girl Guides, decorated the monument to the Hon. Sir Hector Langevin, in Quebec City; and the Anglo-Canadian Scouts of Quebec and French-Canadian Scouts of the 1st C.N.R. Troop of Charny, travelled over 100 miles by autobus to carry out the memorial service at the burial places of Sir Etienne Tache at Montmagny and the Hon. Jean Charles Chapais at St. Denis-de-Kamouraska. At the two latter places the ceremony was made the great occasion of the day, and the parish priests came in from

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# THE CAMP CHIEF'S PAGE

## OUTDOORS IN OCTOBER

**A**UTUMN offers Canadian Scouts a world of treasures entirely different from those of Spring, and perhaps more interesting,—for where Spring offered promises, Autumn shows results, in harvest time things which may be seen and handled, tasted and realized. He who makes the most of his harvest hiking is likely to have the greatest pleasure and keenest interest next Spring.

Fields studded with corn shocks or other partly gathered harvests are liked by migrating flocks of birds. The changed plumage of the Bobolink, the Rusty Blackbird or the Red-winged Blackbird will make a point of keen interest, for these plumages are likely to be found in various stages of change. Many bright male birds put on winter dress that makes them look like females.

One good objective for an Autumn hike is the obtaining of twigs of all the trees in the locality. These may be gathered and identified and put up in the Scout Hall. They look fine all in a row, with small titles underneath. Twigs about three inches long will do. They should be typical examples.

Bittersweet is another open air attraction,—a peg on which to hang a fine hike. Where no Bittersweet grows, any popular and outstanding decorative berry or plant will do. If Bittersweet is chosen, lead a hike with that as an objective bait. Do not pick it until last thing; see everything else in the meantime. Permit no wholesale picking at any one spot.

Point out the flaming Poison Ivy with its grayish white berries.

Few birds sing now. Can you note any that do? What birds are migrating? A hike may answer these questions. A feeding table in the open will discover all kinds of migrants.

—W.H.R.

## THE SUMMER GILLWELLS

Another successful series of summer Gillwell camps were held during July and August, with a total attendance of 126 leaders in eight camps. Alberta topped the list with two camps, and a total attendance of 45 men. The camps included: Maritime, 24; Quebec, 11; Ontario, 23; Manitoba, 14; Saskatchewan, 10; Northern Alberta, 20; Southern Alberta, 25.

An event of the Ontario camp was the dedication of the new Lister Hut, the permanent camp headquarters building. The occasion was combined with the annual Old Gillwellians' Reunion, nearly one hundred of whom were present. For the impressive ceremony the Old Gillwellians formed up in horseshoe behind the Troop of 1927. The address was made by the Dominion Camp Chief.

The fall's first Scout Study Circle was organized by District Scoutmaster H.M. Elliott at Harrow, Ont.

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## KEEPING THE OUT IN SCOUTING

**I**N Scouting for Boys Baden-Powell explains the term "Scouting" as meaning "the work and attributes of backwoodsmen, explorers and frontiersmen."

Scoutmasters should remember this and endeavour to get their Scouts out of doors at every possible opportunity. A troop of real Scouts goes on frequent hikes. Some enthusiasts declare the hike to be the heart and soul of Scouting. One thing is sure, it represents a splendid opportunity for studying the boys. The Scoutmaster will get to know his Scouts around a camp fire more readily than at any other time. If he cannot make time for a real hike he should go for a two hour walk with them Saturday or Sunday afternoon. After Sunday School, of course, if on Sunday.

A hike does not necessarily mean a long walk. Trudging on in the dust is drudgery to the average boy. Therefore do not attempt to cover much distance. Three miles out from town and three miles back is just a comfortable hike for an afternoon and an evening.

The hike should drive deep into the



**F**ind the gentleman with his eye on the ground—at the '27 Manitoba Gillwell.

minds of the boys those things which the Scoutmaster has tried to bring out in the weekly meetings, e.g.: the necessity for learning to be resourceful, observant and self-reliant; to do things with their hands; to take plenty of exercise; to look after their bodies, and to get a well-grounded idea of what **Service for Others** really means. We should all go back to these fundamentals occasionally and ask ourselves how much progress we have made in those directions in our dealings with the troop.

When planning for a hike the Scoutmaster should make up his mind just what he intends to do. The hike may be directed toward the passing of certain tests, or it may be a compass hike, a bird identification, tree identification and leaf carbouning hike, or simply a games hike. Whatever the plan, it should contain fun. If in addition there is some progress in practical scoutcraft, and if the Scoutmaster learns to know his boys a little better, and has increased his influence over them, it will have been a success.

There are two general groups of Fall hikes: the one-day, or afternoon and evening hike, and the overnight hike. The one-day hike should be used at first, and overnight hikes later, when the troop is thoroughly trained. For the first type little equipment will be necessary beyond cooking utensils, suitable clothing and food. The Patrol Leader should carry a small first aid kit.

Full instructions should be given at the Court of Honour meeting, or at the troop meeting, as to food and kit, clothing, meeting place, etc.

A list of individual equipment for an overnight hike will be found on page 112 of **The Scoutmasters' First Year**. Each patrol should be equipped as a unit. A light axe would be included for each patrol.

Have the patrols camp at some distance from but in sight of one another, each site self-contained in every respect.

Every Scout should be busy working or playing almost from the time he leaves home until he returns. The hike is no place for a lazy boy.

The Patrol Leader should allot duties on reaching camp site, such as pitching tents, getting fire wood, lighting fire, preparing food, etc. It adds to the excitement if the patrol determines that it shall have a fire obtained only by bow and drill or flint and steel.

The boys should take turns in cooking. If the Patrol Leader is a good cook he should supervise to see that no meal is spoiled. Instruct Patrol Leaders to use only small fires,—for example, no larger than a dinner plate. Avoid already-cooked "hot dogs" and canned things as far as possible. They give too little practice in cooking. Twists when well made are fine, but are apt to fall occasionally, therefore, do not depend too much on them. Leave candy and fancy drinks at home. Sometime try roasting a chicken in clay or on a spit.

We recommend that the Scoutmaster begin his overnight hikes by making several such trips with his Patrol Leaders and Seconds only. If he will train them carefully, overnight hikes with the whole troop will not prove so difficult later. As a rule it is better at any time to limit an overnight hike to two patrols.

Finally, do not forget that the troop thrives on its memories of hike and camp experiences. The boys will talk of these around camp fires in preference to other subjects. The Scoutmaster should encourage this, and should see that the Scouts have experiences which will make good history and good telling afterwards.

## N. S. Scouts Plant 60,000 Trees

**A**S estimated by Provincial Forester Schierbeck of Nova Scotia, 60,000 trees, chiefly pine, were planted by Scouts of the province during the tree planting campaign in May. A noteworthy fact was that while working with axes and other tools in all kinds of ground, not one Scout suffered an accident. No less than 120 trips were made by Dartmouth and Halifax car owners in taking local Scouts to the reforestation work in that district.

## ❖ Scouting from Coast to Coast ❖

**D**URING the visit of Premier Baldwin the Scouts of North Sydney, N.S., were used by Mayor Pilkington to assist the police in handling the crowds. \* \* \*

Recently organized Scouts and Cubs took on the task of cleaning up the deadfall and debris in Drury Park, Cochrane, Ont. \* \* \*

### 5th Calgary Scout Prevents Autos Plunging into Trail Hole

According to the *Calgary Herald*, the wrecking of many automobiles was prevented and probably a number of lives saved during a heavy evening hail and rain storm on the Macleod Trail near Calgary, when Scout Harry Dickson, 13, of the 5th Calgary Troop, took up a position in front of a dangerous cave-in and signalled all cars to a stop. Despite the bitterness of the night, and the fact that he was soaked, the lad remained at the post until relieved. The cave-in, which was about six feet wide and 13 feet long, was filled with water, and to the oncoming autoists appeared nothing more than a pool on the road. \* \* \*

The funds of the 1st Kamloops Troop, B.C., were augmented by a cheque for \$100 from the local Diamond Jubilee Committee. \* \* \*

During August the 4th Peterborough put on a camp bread-making drive, using frying pans as ovens. \* \* \*

### Canso Scouts on Interesting History Hike

The 1st and 2nd Canso Troops, N.S., enjoyed an unusually interesting outing when they were taken by row-boat down the harbor to Grassy Island, the site of a fort erected by the British 200 years ago, while the French held Louisburg. After a supper which included fresh lobster the boys were given a talk on the interesting historical happenings associated with the spot. The hike was in charge of Scoutmasters the Rev. E. E. Graham and Principal Caldwell of the Canso High School. \* \* \*

Special Scout prizes were awarded at the Granby, Que., fair for collections of leaves and ferns, model yachts, airplanes and hydroplanes and collections of postage stamps. \* \* \*

Saskatoon, Sask., has organized a Scoutmasters' Association. The membership will include Cubmasters, also Troop Leaders. \* \* \*

### Should be More of This—

#### It's Enjoyable and Helpful

The 3rd Fredericton (St. Ann's) Troop motored to Doak, N.B., for a joint church service with the Doak Troop. The Community Hall in which the service was held was unable to accommodate those desiring to participate. Following the service District Commissioner Le Baron Bull addressed the gathering on the non-sectarian feature of Scouting. \* \* \*

Five Ottawa Sea Scouts did a four-day seventy-mile cruise on the Ottawa

and Liever rivers in the "Sea Rover," a ship's life-boat.

Fifteen Winnipeg Scouts qualified at a recent examination for the Public Health Man's Badge. \* \* \*

### Trail Scouts Met an Unusual Discipline Test

During a brief epidemic in Trail, B.C., which necessitated the precaution of keeping children off the streets, the local medical authorities commented upon the responsiveness of the local Scouts and Cubs to the health regulations, and the helpfulness of their example in keeping other boys at home. \* \* \*

Fifty dollars was voted by the Mayor and Council of Granby, Que., to augment the funds of the local Scout troops. \* \* \*

Moose Jaw now has a troop of Jewish Scouts—the 11th. A Jewish Boy Scout Troop Association also has been formed. \* \* \*

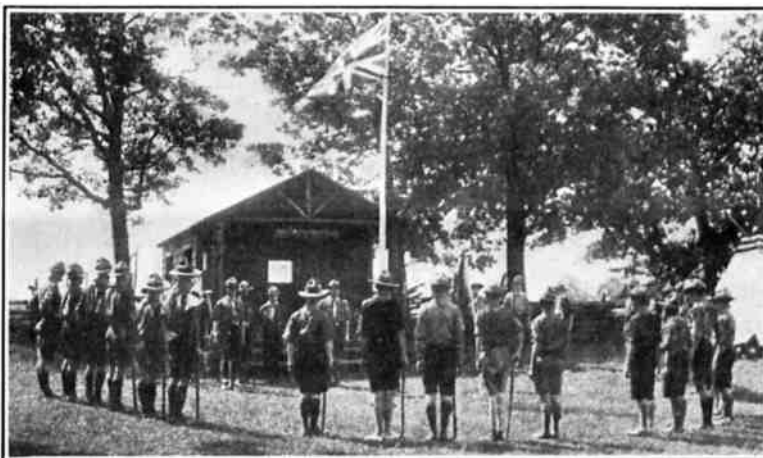
ven ability and zeal, would prove a death blow to any other organization. But with the boys of the 1st Arran Scout Troop it's different. Seconds are calling their boys together next Sunday at 2.30 to rearrange the patrols. Little difficulties of that sort are what a Scout thrives on."—Arran Arrow, Sask. \* \* \*

Lindsay, Ont., Scouts assisted in cleaning up an old cemetery in the East Ward of the town, turning it into a small neat park. \* \* \*

The Manitoba Provincial Boy Scouts Association has taken over the management of the Elmwood Boys' Club, a Rotary Club institution for boys in the City of Winnipeg. \* \* \*

### Famous Fisherman Gives Pointers to N. B. Scouts

A talk and demonstration of fly casting was given Saint John Scouts by Ozark Ripley, the famous fly caster. Following the demonstration the Scouts were divided into squads and



The Ontario '27 Gillwell Troop before the new Lister Hut (Headquarters) at Ebor Park. Nearly 100 of the Old Gillwellians who built the hut were present at its dedication.

### Such an Investiture Always Is

The 6th St. Catharines Troop, Ont., hiked to a suitable spot, made camp, raised their flag, prepared supper and held a council fire—all in preparation for a very effective investiture. "The whole of this ceremony was very impressive, the quiet and beauty of the surroundings lending a deep feeling of the seriousness of the promise given." \* \* \*

The Margaretsville, N.S., Scout Troop secured the use of a cottage as a headquarters. Scouts from Middleton and Wilmot were present for the opening of the new headquarters by District Commissioner H. Evans. \* \* \*

During the summer Vancouver Sea Scouts held a long distance rowing competition. The record was made by Sea Scout Bob McKeller, who pulled twenty miles in 5 hrs. 20 mins., using a twelve-foot boat. \* \* \*

### Read This and be Jealous

"To lose in rapid succession an S. M., A.S.M. and a P.L., all three of pro-

given an opportunity of trying their hand at this fine art of fishing.

St. Anne's Wolf Cub Pack of Winnipeg won the District Cub First Aider Championship and the Hesketh Flag. \* \* \*

Every boy who attended the camp of the new Granby, Que., Troop, came home a Second Class Scout. \* \* \*

In order that the Scouts might earn camp money, the business men and school board of Kincaid, Sask., gave the Dominion Day Jubilee celebration concession rights to the local Scout troop. \* \* \*

### 4th Edmontons Learn About Sound

A greatly appreciated lecture on "Sound" was given the boys of the 4th Edmonton by Prof. Nichols of the University of Alberta. By various experiments the nature of sound was demonstrated, how it travels, the meaning of pitch, quality, etc. The working of a pipe organ was shown with the aid of detached pipes and a small model organ. Following the lecture the troop was taken to Con-

vocation Hall, where Scout songs were played on the Memorial organ.

Five Scouts of the 2nd Kitchener Troop did a 200-mile bike hike to Rochester, N.Y., and return.

#### Can't You Match This in Some Nearby Community?

Scoutmaster Anthony of the 3rd St. Thomas Troop, who last winter brought about the organization of a troop at Rodney, Ont., had the pleasure of visiting the new troop in its first camp. As a result of the success of the Rodney Troop in solving the local boy problem, Magistrate Maxwell has asked the Scoutmaster to organize a troop in another community, for a similar reason. This is real good-citizenship missionary work. Can't we have more of it?

The 4th B.C. Sea Scouts have had a ten-foot dinghy added to their fleet. The boat was the gift of a well-known Vancouver sportsman, who withheld his name.

The energetic 1st Granby, Troop, Que., is endeavouring to secure a clubhouse for the benefit of all the boys of the town.

#### Scout Service at the Fall Fairs

As usual Scouts found many opportunities for efficient service at the annual fall fairs. Toronto repeated its Scout Service Camp at the Canadian National Exhibition, providing ushers for the great Grand Stand and Coliseum twice a day, searchers for lost children, guards for the Administration building, messengers and "walking information bureaus."

As an appreciation of his interest in the troop, Honorary Field Commissioner Leslie Sara was made a member of the 4th B. C. Sea Scouts and presented with a key to the troop's headquarters.

The 5th St. Thomas Troop, Ont., has numbered itself with those organizing a Scout Mothers' Auxiliary. Plans were at once made to aid the troop in various ways.

#### Premier Baldwin Meets a Canadian Scout Namesake

An interesting incident of the visit to Halifax of Premier Stanley Baldwin of England was his meeting of Scout Stanley Baldwin, aged 15, of the 16th Halifax Troop. The British Premier evinced much interest in his Canadian namesake, and invited the Scout to Government House, to meet him and Mrs. Baldwin.

At a garden party of the Scout and Cub Ladies' Auxiliary of St. John's Cathedral, Winnipeg, the 22nd Troop gave a demonstration of camp-fire cooking.

Scouts of the 3rd Prince Rupert Troop, B.C., were shown over H.M.C.S. Patricia by an old Scout, formerly of the 1st Cowichan Troop. The working of the big guns was explained, the steering machinery, compass, diving apparatus, etc.

#### Six Towns Represented in Quebec Rally

Scouts from Asbestos, Bulwer, Lennoxville, Magog, Waterloo and Sherbrooke participated in the annual rally of Scouts and Cubs of the Eastern Townships at Sherbrooke. The morning programme, under the direction of District Scoutmaster Giovetti, included competitions in scoutcraft for the Trussler Shield. The trophy was taken by the 4th Sherbrooke Troop, with the 2nd Sherbrooke Troop second, the 1st Bulwer Troop third and the 1st Asbestos Troop fourth. The afternoon was given up to field sports.

A shield for scoutcraft presented by Assistant Provincial Commissioner Frank C. Irwin for local competition at the Guelph Boys' Fair was won by the 1st Guelph Troop, four troops competing.

The first Canadian-Japanese Wolf Cub Pack has been organized in Vancouver, with Miss Horton as Lady Cubmaster. It is known as the 23rd Vancouver (St. James') Pack. Nine Cubs have been invested.



Flag break at the big Southern Alberta Gillwell of 1927.

#### They Always Are When It's Properly Done

A large number of Sunday afternoon camp visitors were much impressed by a going-up ceremony of the 3rd Border Cities Troop and Pack, who were brought together from separate camps for the occasion. The Cubs were in the customary Circle and the Scouts in Horseshoe.

Each boy of the 26th Border Cities (Ottawa United Church) has his own Morse flag—home made—for practicing with at home and carrying on the hike.

Two English Scouts located on farms near London, Ont., have been visited by local Scouts and invited to connect themselves with London troops.

#### Calgary Scouts and Memorial Sunday

Scouts of Calgary paid their tribute in memory of the soldier dead on Memorial Sunday by assisting the committee in many ways with the distributing of the flowers for the Veterans' graves. Representative Scouts from all the troops in the district under District Secretary L. J. Thompson awaited the Kiwanis cars bearing the floral tributes at the brow of the cemetery hill, and distributed them

on the graves in the Field of Honour and the various isolated plots throughout the Union and Burnsland cemeteries. Another group of Scouts reported at the library for duty in connection with the memorial service there, and to assist in carrying the wreaths and sprays to the cars.

In Central Park, the Tenth Troop repeated a custom which they have carried out for several years, in depositing a wreath on the War Memorial. The wreath, made by the Scouts themselves, took the form of a large patrol flag in green and gold, and was composed entirely of wild flowers and ground cedar gathered in the district. It was deposited with due ceremony by the Tenth's colour party, in charge of Troop Leader Pollard.—*Calgary Herald*.

A very successful "Jungle" held by Portage La Prairie Scouts and Cubs was honoured by the presence of Sir James Aikins, Chief Scout for Manitoba. Seats were arranged in a semi-circle, and the programme numbers put on in the centre of the floor.

A prize of goods to the value of \$1.50, to be ordered from the Domin-

ion Headquarters catalogue, was the first prize awarded in a knot-board contest of the 1st Rossland Troop, B. C.

#### Montreal Scout Trophies Awarded During Summer

During the summer the Scout Trophy Committee of the Montreal District held a number of competitions, with the following results: Cub Relay Caron Cup (four Cubs, under twelve, running 50 yds. each), won by the 14th Montreal West. Wanderer Trophy (cycle relay for teams made up of two senior Scouts, 15 to 18, and two junior Scouts, 12 to 14), won by the 1st Westmount, 44th Troop second, 92nd Troop third. Caron Cup for Rover and Sea Scout relay, won by 5th Rover Patrol, Sea Scouts second. Minden Cole Trophy for athletics, won by the 53rd Vickers Troop, with the 12th St. George's Troop second. Wanderer Trophy for semaphore signalling, won by the 89th, St. Albans' Church; 93rd, Fairmount United, second, and the 90th Kensington third.

Windsor Scouts assisted in a campaign to raise funds to clear the debt on the British Methodist Episcopal Church, a coloured institution organized 70 years ago by escaped slaves

from the Southern States. The 5th Windsor Troop of Coloured Scouts participated.

On the eve of his departure for Toronto, Mr. A. H. Grainger, President of the Moncton Rotary Club was presented by the boys of the 1st Moncton Rotary Troop with a solid gold Thanks Badge. Presentation was made by Scoutmaster Harry Framp-ton.

**Kincardine Rovers Tell Time by Stars**

Kincardine Rovers gave an evening to studying the telling of time by the stars. After working the problem out mathematically several times, the night being clear, all went outside for actual practice. Several of the Rovers figured the time correctly and the others were not far out in their calculations.

The 2nd Granby Troop, Que., netted \$120 from a lawn social for which the Granby band contributed the musical programme.

Following a lecture on aviation before 24 London, Ont., Scouts, Cap-

St. Thomas. Honorary Field Secretary Lionel Bishop declared the camp one of the tidiest he had visited.

Scouts of the Wolf Patrol of Stewart, B.C., made a two-day hike to the Terminus Mine, climbing some 4000 ft. to reach their objective. At Muddy Gulch, on the way, they were invited to lunch by a road crew, and at the mine were guests of Manager Heywood.

**Oshawa Scouts Aid in Making Playground**

Oshawa Scouts have been giving their aid to improve and beautify the grounds of Rotary Park, a public playground being developed by the local Rotary Club. As part of their work the Scouts laid out a baseball diamond.

The Cameron Cup, emblematic of the Scout Swimming Championship of Winnipeg, was won for 1927 by the 52nd Winnipeg (Polish) Troop.

**Scouts in Every Port**

The 2nd Sydney (St. Andrew's) Troop, N.S., enjoyed a visit from two

**An Elephant-Bone Hike**

Seventeen Alberta Scouts under Scoutmaster O'Hara of Calgary and Professor Orr of Edmonton University motor-trekked into B.C. near Cranbrook in search of the bones of Myrtle the Sells-Floto elephant that escaped from the circus last fall and died in the valley of Joseph's Creek. The bones had been scattered by bears and only a few were recovered.

A handsome first aid kit was presented to the 1st St. Andrews Troop N.B., by the Hon. M. Shaughnessy for annual competition between the four patrols. It was won for the present year by the Beavers.

**Helping a New Troop Start Right**

Scoutmaster E. W. Jones of the newly organized 1st Atwater Troop, Sask., and four boys of the troop were invested by Scoutmaster J. Poole, assisted by Patrol Leader Jackson and three other members of the 1st Melville Troop, who had journeyed to Atwater for the purpose.

As in previous years Vancouver Scouts acted in various capacities at the annual Elks' Childrens' Day held at Hastings Park, August 1st.

The Scout camp at the Canadian National Exhibition this year was visited by some 500 Scouts, representing 21 cities and towns in the United States and 29 places in Canada. Other callers included a Scout from Bucharest, Roumania, one from Hong Kong and several from the Old Country.

So effective were Fredericton Scouts in assisting the police to handle the congested street traffic during the Diamond Jubilee celebration that the local Chief of Police declared he would use them regularly in the future. A week later they were called upon for Circus Day, with equally satisfactory results.

**Awarded the Silver Wolf**

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ious capacities to Scouting in Montreal, particular mention was made of his ability to hold the older boys in his troop, so that "he usually has more seniors anxious to act as A.S. M.'s than he can find places for." It was also noted that he had made himself an expert in several branches of woodcraft, and as a result has been of special service to the whole Movement in Montreal. The much prized decoration was presented by Assistant Chief Commissioner John A. Stiles on the occasion of the annual banquet of the Scoutmasters and Cubmasters of Montreal, June 1st.

STAR MAPS—A set of four excellent star maps, covering the year, may be had at one cent each from the Department of University Extension, University of Toronto.



The tall Maritime Giltwellians of '27—averaging close to 6 ft.—came from N.B., N.S., P.E.I. and Newfoundland.

tain A. E. T. Bruce of the London Air Transport Company, himself an old Scout, took two of the boys up for an air ride.

**A Hill-top Home for the 1st Glen Falls**

The 1st Glen Falls, N.B., Troop camped in a log cabin erected by the boys on a high hill top reached only by a winding, precipitous trail. All the material for the building of the cabin was carried up the trail on the backs of the Scouts.

Galt Scouts organized and maintained a first aid station in Soper Park during the Old Boys' Reunion. The loan of a Johnson and Johnson first aid kit was secured for the occasion.

**The Lieut. Governor Opens a Victoria Scout Fete**

A Scout fete held on the grounds of Government House, Victoria, B.C., under the auspices of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Local Association, was a great success. The varied and very interesting programme was opened by His Honour the Lieutenant Governor.

The large adjoining camps of the 3rd and 4th St. Thomas Scouts and Cubs was honoured by four visits at their council fire from the Mayor of

Old Scouts, in the persons of Second Officer Fisher and Wireless Operator Howard of the s.s. Manchester Spinner, in port. It was mentioned by the visitors that during nine years they had not yet found a port in which there were no Scouts.

The 1st St. Andrew's Troop, N.B., had the honour of a visit at their Headquarters from Their Excellencies the Governor General and Viscountess Willingdon.

A Scout Troop has been organized at Welchpool, on the island of Campobello, in the Bay of Fundy, by Secretary L. L. Johnson of Saint John, N.B.

**The Expected Example**

Setting the expected example to his boys, Commander A. H. Reed, Assistant District Commissioner of Sea Scouts of Vancouver, promptly went overboard, clothes and all, to rescue Mrs. Hugh Davis, who had leaped from a burning yacht during the Goodsell-Barry rowing race at Vancouver, Sept. 5th.

The Shawinigan Falls Review, Que., of Sept. 1st carried an impressive list of proficiency badges earned at camp by the local Scouts and Cubs. This is excellent publicity where papers have sufficient space available.

## GRAVES OF FATHERS OF CONFEDERATION

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all available points to participate. The arrangements were under the personal direction of District Commissioner Col. William Wood of Quebec City. At both places several descendants of the distinguished statesmen were present. Addresses were given in both languages.

An interesting feature of the decoration of the graves of the Hons. D'Arcy McGee, Sir George Etienne Cartier and A. T. Galt at Montreal was the participation of Scouts from Greek, Polish and Jewish Troops. District Commissioner T. H. Wardleworth and Assistant District Commissioners Jockel and French were in charge respectively of the three ceremonies.

A notable gathering of distinguished persons marked the carrying out of the two ceremonies falling to the Scouts of Fredericton, N.B.—those in memory of the Hon. Charles Fisher, buried at Forest Hill Cemetery, and Hon. Robert Duncan Wilmot, at Oromocto. The Scouts gathered at the Parliament Buildings and proceeded thence by motor. Those present included His Hon. Lieutenant-Governor W. F. Todd, and his Secretary; Mr. Justice O. S. Crockett, Chairman of the Provincial Jubilee Committee; Very Rev. Dean Neales, of Christ Church Cathedral, who led the prayers; Mayor Clark; the Countess of Ashburnham; Mr. Henry Wilmot and Miss Wilmot, son and daughter of the Hon. Robert Duncan Wilmot. The arrangements were made by District Commissioner LeBaron Bull and Secretary Fred Barnes.

At Fernhill Cemetery, Saint John, N.B., detachments of local Scouts under District Secretary L. L. Johnson carried out the ceremony in memory of the Hons. Sir Samuel Leonard Tilley and William Henry Steeves. At Chatham and Newcastle, N.B., the placing of the official wreath upon the graves of the Hons. John Mercer Johnson and Peter Mitchell respectively was carried out under the direction of Scoutmaster G. A. Buskin and Major A. L. Barry.

Kingston, Ont., Scouts had the honour of decorating the graves of Canada's first Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon. Sir John A. Macdonald, and of Sir Alexander Campbell. Representative patrols were invited from Deseronto and Portsmouth troops to participate with patrols from the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Kingston Troops, under Scoutmaster Keith Caverley. The Scouts were taken to Cataract Cemetery by members of the Kiwanis Club, who with the President of the Club participated in the ceremonies. Prayers were led by Rev. A. E. U. Smart, Chaplain of the 1st Portsmouth Troop.

A particularly interesting feature of the decoration of the grave of the Hon. Sir Oliver Mowat at Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Toronto, was the fact that the service was directed by a Scoutmaster descendant of Sir Oliver, Mr. R. Mowat Hillman, of the 50th Toronto Troop, assisted by members of that troop. Several other members of Sir Oliver's family also were present, and added wreaths. The prayers were led by the Troop Chaplain, the

## A VALUABLE IDENTIFICATION AND CHARACTER CARD GOES WITH SCOUT REGISTRATION

### A Composite Four-Night Troop Programme

- 7.10 Headquarters opened by Troop Leader or A.S.M.
- 7.15 Duty Patrol arrives and makes room ready, including preparation of Union Jack for breaking. Scoutmaster arrives.
- 7.25 Balance of Troop arrives.
- 7.30 Patrol Corners; roll call; inspection by P.L.'s; dues.
- 7.35 Troop called into Horseshoe formation by P.L. or A.S.M. S.M. takes over parade. Flag break. Scout Silence. T.L. makes attendance report.\* General inspection\* and points marked up on board. Special inspection—\*
  - (a) Contents of right pocket for usefulness.
  - (b) Buttons, ½ point off for each one missing or loose.
  - (c) Boots, ½ point off if not recently polished.
  - (d) Hands and arms.
- 7.45 Lively Game—(Freeze)\*
  - (a) Patrol Bottle Ball.
  - (b) Zig Zag Relay.
  - (c) Poison Circle.
  - (d) Vegetables and Animals.
- 7.55 Patrol Corners—Instruction by P.L.'s in Test and Badge work.
  - (a) Tenderfoot Knots.
  - (b) Composition of the flag.
  - (c) Whipping.
  - (d) Morse Alphabet. (Freeze)\*
- 8.10 Quiet Game—
  - (a) Blindfold Kim's.
  - (b, d) Knot Target.
  - (c) Hoop Relay.
- 8.20 (a) Semaphore Relay.\*
  - (b) Sealed Message in Semaphore.\*
  - (c) Morse Relay.\*
  - (d) Sealed Message in Morse.\*
- 8.30 (a) Hand Signals by S.M.\*
  - (b, d) Fire in Movie Theatre.\*
  - (c) Tracking box problem.\*
- 8.40 (a) Scout Law Baseball.\*
  - (b) First Aid demonstration and quiz, broken collarbone, by S.M. Bandage demonstration by each patrol.\*
  - (c, d) Scout Law Charades.\*
- 8.50 Council Fire: Songs from Canadian Scout Song Book. S.M.'s Five. More Songs, including Rounds. Announcements. Scout Silence. O Canada. King. Flag. Duty Patrol named. Dismiss. Court of Honour.

\*Patrol Competition.

Rev. P. M. Lamb of St. Cuthbert's, Leaside.

Decoration of the graves of the Hons. George Brown, James Cockburn and Sir William Pearce Howland by a composite troop was directed personally by Executive District Commissioner O'Callaghan. Assistant Pro-

vincial Commissioner Frank C. Irwin placed a framed card of tribute.

At the Capital the decoration of the burial place in Beechwood Cemetery of the Hon. Hewitt Barnard was in charge of the 1st Ottawa Troop and Pack, Scoutmaster William Currier, and a detachment of the 9th Pack under Lady Cubmaster Read. The Chief Commissioner, Dr. James W. Robertson, District Commissioner Gen. C. H. Maclaren and Assistant Chief Commissioner John A. Stiles took part in the ceremony. Simultaneously the grave of the Hon. William McDougall was decorated by the 9th Ottawa Troop, under Scoutmaster Day, and a detachment of Ottawa and Montreal Sea Scouts under Scoutmaster Glass, the whole in charge of Acting Secretary Edgar Jones. Prayers were led by Troop Chaplain the Rev. W. H. Brown, and the address read by Major D. L. McKeand.

While these ceremonies were in progress another notable memorial service was being carried out at the beautiful monument to the great French-Canadian, Sir Wilfred Laurier, by the 41st (French-Canadian) Troop. This impressive ceremony was directed by Assistant District Commissioner Major A. A. Pinard and Scoutmaster Edgar Garneau. Prayers were led by Rev. Fr. Hebert.

A composite group of Scouts, Cubs and leaders under District Commissioner H. T. Ravenhill made an impressive occasion of the placing of the official wreath of maple leaves upon the grave of the Hon. John Hamilton Gray, in Ross Bay Cemetery Victoria, B.C. Among those present was a son of the distinguished statesman, John Henry Gray, and a grandson. Two Patrol Leaders from St. Mary's Troop placed the wreath.

### 1st Huntsville Scouts Again

#### Dominion First Aid Champions

THE 1st Huntsville, Ont., Scout Troop has won new and unusual honour for itself and for Scouting by winning for the second year in succession the Dominion Wallace Nesbitt Junior First Aid trophy, in competition with teams representing each of the other provinces. Incidentally the Huntsville boys established another record—that of winning the Ontario provincial championship, and the Globe Shield, for three years in succession.

The standing of other Scout Troop teams follows: 4th, 1st Nelson Troop, B.C.; 10th, 16th Halifax Troop; 12th, 1st St. Anne's Troop, Que.; 15th, 1st Trail Troop, B.C.

Our sisters the Girl Guides did well this year. The 8th Company of Winnipeg took first place in the Manitoba competition and fifth in the Dominion, and St. Paul's Guides of Saskatoon first in Saskatchewan and sixth in the Dominion.

### Provincial Wallace Nesbitt Jr.

IN the various provincial Wallace Nesbitt Junior competitions of 1927 Scout Troop as usual made an excellent showing. There was a gratifying increase in the number of teams entered in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Ontario. A feature of the New Brunswick list was the entry of



no less than three teams by the Cathedral Troop of Fredericton.

The standing of Scout teams by provinces was as follows:

**British Columbia**—2nd, 1st Nelson Troop; 6th, 1st Trail Troop.

**Manitoba**—4th, 47th Winnipeg Troop; 6th, Salvation Army Scout Team No. 2; 7th, Salvation Army Scout Team No. 1; 8th, 16th Winnipeg.

**Saskatchewan**—2nd, 1st Melville Troop; 5th, 9th Regina; 6th, — Moose Jaw Troop; 7th, — Saskatoon Troop.

**Ontario**—1st, 1st Huntsville; 3rd, 9th Toronto; 6th, 46th Toronto; 7th, 2nd Brantford; 9th, 7th London; 11th, 3rd Belleville; 12th, 1st Welland, 1st Team; 14th, 1st Welland, 2nd Team; 20th, 3rd Fort William, 2nd Team; 23rd, 3rd Toronto; 29th, 14th Ottawa; 31st, 3rd Fort William, 1st Team.

**Quebec**—1st, 1st St. Anne's Troop; 3rd, 89th Montreal; 4th, 1st Buckingham.

**New Brunswick**—2nd, 1st Team, Cathedral Troop, Fredericton; 4th, 1st Moncton (Rotary) Troop; 6th 2nd Team Cathedral Troop, Fredericton; 10th, 1st Douglas Troop; 11th, 1st Plaster Rock; 13th, 3rd Team, Cathedral Troop Fredericton; 14th, Trinity Troop, Saint John; 16th, St. Paul's Troop, Saint John; 17th, 3rd Fredericton (St. Ann's); 18th, 2nd Team, Trinity Troop, Saint John.

**Nova Scotia**—1st, 16th Halifax Troop; 2nd 8th Halifax Troop; 3rd, 4th Halifax; 4th, 1st Sydney; 5th, 1st Woodside; 6th, 17th Halifax.

### The Summer's Scout Camps

**I**NCOMPLETE reports indicate that not less than 15,000 Scouts were in camp for longer or shorter periods during the past summer. No serious accidents were recorded, and no serious illness.

Forty-five Camp Questionnaires received to date reported 150 boys as learning to swim, 140 Scouts passing Second Class, and 118 doing their First Class Journey. Much other test and badge work was accomplished.

Woodcraft activities covered the entire category, including the construction of camp kitchens, lean-to's, signal towers, in some cases permanent bridges, and all manner of camp gadgets.

Interesting and gratifying was the long list of Camp Good Turns. These included: Helped owner of camp site get in hay. Assisted in delivering milk. Brought home wandering cows. Helped cars out of mud. Filled up trench. Fixed farmers' fences. Opened spring. While hiking gathered and burned scattered paper in other camp grounds. Cleared beach after tourists. Rescued motor boat and crew lost in fog. Guided lost man at night. Improved grounds by building retaining wall. Cleared creek. Constructed dam. Built bridge across creek. Cleaned up weed-covered field for farmer who owned camp site. Fixed gate with hinges. Picked currants for owner of camp site. Helped with milking. Built permanent foot bridge for farmers. Repaired road. Made permanent incinerator for use of other campers. Ushered at a nearby fair. Gave other campers boat rides.

Helped pitch C.G.I.T. camp. Made fire and tea for rescuers searching for boy (not Scout) drowned in nearby lake. Sent fish to sick persons. At end of camp turned balance of provisions over to poor family. Fixed farmer's machine. Helped rescue drowning boy. Cleared out patches poison oak. Dug post holes and put up dividing fence for farmer. Loaned camp equipment and three senior Patrol Leaders to newly formed Salvation Army Scouts. Gathered wood supply for Girl Guides who were to take over camp. Held a Camp Good Turn Day.

A particularly scouty Good Turn, and one which it is hoped will be more often duplicated, was the starting of a new troop in a small community near their camp—Arkona, Ont.—by the 21st Border Cities.

### Some Fall Reminders for the S.M.

**R**EGISTER your troop at Dominion Headquarters. The identification and "character" value of the card may prove of great importance to some of your boys. In provinces where the troop year corresponds to the calendar year registration now will cover 1928.

"Only through the use of the Patrol System can the Scouting programme be fully carried out."—B.P.

The Court of Honour (a necessary feature of the Patrol System) takes the burden off the Scoutmaster, and makes the boys feel that the troop "is their show"—which is one of the principal ends aimed at.

Some Scoutmasters try to be the captain, the engineer and generally "the whole works," whereas they should be (during troop meeting) sitting at a desk in a corner, or roaming about observing the work in patrol corners, and dropping a word of approval or advice here and there.

If not yet done, have your Court of Honour discuss and lay out the whole Fall and Winter programme of hikes, advancement in rank, proficiency badge work, entertainments, open nights, etc. (See "A Twelve-Month Programme," page 12.)

Have the Court review your Patrol Competition scoring system. If necessary suggest that the scoring figures be adjusted to equalize the chances between the younger and older patrols. This can be achieved by giving major points for such items as "personal inspection," and for games in which experience or weight is not necessary to success.

Of course you will always work out your troop meeting programmes a week ahead with your C. of H.

Keep to the bird or animal troop call, the "freeze," and hand signals. Shouted commands do not belong to Scouting.

Keep the boy's viewpoint. Remind yourself occasionally that Scouting is the boy's idea of what's fun, guided in character-helping channels,—not a man's idea of what boys should think is fun. That's the rock that boys'-movement failures have been wrecked on.

It's the "Game of Scouting for Boys,"—and game features should be developed in every troop activity.

Scouting is an outdoor programme, which in certain inclement seasons is forced indoors.

Remember that the Fall crop of new boys are coming in full of anticipation of all sorts of good fun. And they have heard that the Scoutmaster is a wonderful fellow. Don't let the troop or yourself down by failure to have interesting, lively meetings, planned well ahead of time.

Make it a point to meet the parents of all your boys. Make sure that the parents of new boys understand just what you do at meetings, and just what Scouting aims to do for the boys.

Don't overlook the occasional open evening for parents and others interested.

Use your Troop Committee frequently. Make them feel that they are an important part of the troop organization. Have them as guests at all special troop evenings. Invite them on an occasional hike, or to motor out and join the hike council fire.

Have all instruction possible given by the Patrol Leaders.

Never "call a boy down" in the presence of the troop or patrol. Get him aside for a little chat from the text, "Is it fair to your patrol? Or to me?" And always precede criticism with some justified word of praise.

Finally—study your Scoutmaster's First Year frequently. You will find it helpful in many ways.

### Ask Credentials of Scout Visitors

**T**HE 1927 summer epidemic of fake Scout travellers apparently reached a new high point. Presumably the practice will continue to increase as more of the family of shiftless wanderers discovers the brilliant idea of travelling free as a "brother to every other Scout" who will entertain them, or contribute to their necessities.

In the interest of the Movement as well as in his own personal interest, every Scoutmaster should make it a practice to request the credentials of all such out-of-town visitors. In the case of Canadian or American Scouts this will mean the showing of an up-to-date National Headquarters pocket registration card. In the case of overseas Scouts a passport from the Boy Scouts International Bureau should be asked.

And on their part bonafide Scoutmasters and Scouts when travelling and meeting other Scouts should feel no resentment at being asked for their credentials.

As stated before, it may be laid down as a rule that genuine Scouts do not "tramp around the world" or "cross the continent" for "wagers" or "prizes"; and when genuine Scouts do hike, they do not call asking or expecting entertainment.

When in doubt communicate immediately with your Provincial Headquarters.

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## ❖ The Scoutmaster's Five Minutes ❖

### Canada at Confederation and To-day

*The following was the address read on Jubilee Dominion Day at the burial place of each of the thirty-five Fathers of Confederation, preceding the ceremony of decorating the graves with the official wreath of maple leaves by local Scouts, as representatives of the nation.*

*The Chief Commissioner suggests that at an early Fall meeting the part played by Scouts on this historic occasion be related by the Scoutmaster of each troop not participating, and that the address then be read.*

#### The Diamond Jubilee Address

WE are assembled here today, as representatives of The National Committee for the Celebration of the Diamond Jubilee of Confederation, to honour the memory of one of the Fathers of Confederation who did notable service for Canada. There are thirty-five names so enrolled in history.

The Boy Scouts of Canada regard it as an honour and a privilege to have been requested to perform the duty of decorating the graves with wreaths of Maple Leaves. In various other places our brother Scouts are taking part in similar ceremonies.

We will first call the honour roll of these distinguished Fathers of Confederation. (Roll called, with burial place.)

The project of uniting the British North American Colonies under one government was proposed as early as 1789 by Chief Justice William Smith; and 25 years later Chief Justice Sewell outlined a somewhat similar scheme. In the absence of means of frequent and rapid communication and transportation, no real union was feasible. In 1858 Alexander Galt induced the Cartier-Macdonald Government to send a mission to England to sound the Imperial authorities on the subject, but nothing tangible resulted at the time. It was really the deadlock in the Canadian Legislative Assembly that some years later induced the Government of Canada to take the matter up.

There were other contributing factors, such as the notice from the United States that the Reciprocity Treaty would be abrogated, and the intimation from the British Government that Canada must to a large extent provide for its own defense.

In 1864 a Coalition Government was formed in Canada for the purpose of negotiating the confederation of the British North American provinces. This Coalition Government, of which Sir Etienne Taché was the head, included John A. Macdonald and George Etienne Cartier, together with George Brown, Oliver Mowat and William McDougall as representatives of the Reform Party in Upper Canada.

In the meantime the legislatures of the three Maritime Provinces had authorized their governments to hold a joint conference to consider the expediency of a union for themselves. The conference took place at Char-

lottetown, September, 1864. John A. Macdonald, Cartier, Brown and others from Canada were present, and urged the conference to consider the larger scheme of Confederation. The deliberations of the Charlottetown conference was thereupon adjourned, and it was agreed to meet at Quebec in October, to discuss the federal union of all the provinces rather than the legislative union of the Maritime Provinces only.

The result of the Quebec conference, which was held behind closed doors, was embodied in seventy-two resolutions, which were laid before the Parliament of Canada and approved in March 1865.

After many difficulties, which were met and overcome, a final conference was held in Westminster Palace Hotel, London, December 4th, 1866. In all, sixteen members were present, including Macdonald of Canada, Tupper of Nova Scotia and Tilley of New Brunswick. Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland were not represented. John A. Macdonald was chairman of the conference.

It was at first suggested, and it was the desire of the conference, that the title of the new confederation should be "The Kingdom of Canada," but this was opposed on the ground that the



Scouts of the 1st Harrow Troop, Ont., cleaning up a borer-infested corn field.

name "Kingdom" might not be acceptable to the people of the United States. The resolutions as amended by the London conference were incorporated in a Bill and passed by the Imperial Parliament as the British North America Act, receiving the Royal Assent on March 29th, 1867.

On May 22nd a Royal Proclamation was issued uniting the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick into one dominion, under the name of Canada. Two days later Lord Monck, who had been appointed Governor-General, entrusted Sir John A. Macdonald with the formation of his first ministry, and on July 1st, 1867, the Dominion started on its career as a self-governing nation within the Empire.

Time will not permit mention of the many difficulties which the Government of Canada had to face, but they were all overcome, and year by year the Dominion became more conscious of its union and its unity and more confident in its future and its growing prosperity and greatness.

Manitoba was made a province in 1870. British Columbia agreed in 1871 to cast in its lot with the others, on condition that a railway should be

built across the prairies and through the mountains to the Pacific. In 1873 Prince Edward Island entered Confederation. In 1905 the new provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan were formed from what once had been old Hudson Bay territory; and in 1912 the boundaries of Manitoba, Ontario and Quebec were extended northward to Hudson Strait and Hudson Bay, James Bay and the sixtieth parallel of latitude.

Time does not permit any detailed description of the many phases of material, social, economic, educational and cultural developments. From the primitive fur-trading, there has been much material progress through ranching, shipbuilding railway building, farming, manufacturing, lumbering, mining, fishing, commerce and transportation. There has also been wholesome progress due to increasing recognition of the vivifying and safeguarding influence of education, religion and patriotism. All these together have brought about a fuller enjoyment of prosperity, peace, order, justice and liberty.

Mention only, without elaborating, may be made of a few outstanding contrasts between 1867 and 1927.

The four original provinces contained 350,188 square miles of land; the Dominion of Canada now has an estimated area ten times as large, namely 3,544,200 square miles of land.

In 1870 the wheat crop of the Dominion all came from Eastern Canada, and totalled sixteen million bushels. Shortly after 1900 over twenty million bushels were grown on the prairies alone; and now the annual wheat yield in Canada is computed at over four hundred millions of bushels.

At Confederation Canada had two thousand miles of railway, now she has forty thousand miles.

Mining has become a major industry; exciting gold discoveries were made in the Yukon, and in Northern Ontario and Quebec, silver, gold, copper, nickel and other metals have been found in large quantities.

Water-power development of electricity is giving to Central Canada an enormous supply of power for lighting, driving machines and operating light railways. At Confederation the employees in manufacturing establishments numbered 188,000, and the value of the manufactures was \$221,000,000. In 1925 the figures were, employees 544,000, value of manufactures \$2,948,000,000.

In 1867 Canada was but a group of colonies based on the Atlantic, generally engaged in the simpler primitive occupations, with a minimum of urban population. In general Canada was a "raw material" country, dependent for nearly all except the primitive commodities and industries upon communities in which industrial and technical production was more advanced. Today she is a progressive developing country participating in and contributing to the complex life of the modern world. Canada has now an external trade which is huge by any standard, and astonishing in

relation to her population; yet she is becoming increasingly "self-contained" and surprisingly varied in her occupations and productions.

In education, particularly in professional, technical and agricultural education, the progress of the country since Confederation has been very marked. Canada has taken a worthy part in the progress of science and invention. A literature distinctly Canadian has sprung up. The death rate has greatly declined. The standard of living has greatly risen. The spiritual side of life has been developed.

Military events have had their place in Canadian History, but we will not dwell upon them in detail. It will be sufficient to say that in the Great War Canada sent overseas over four hundred thousand men; and the Canadian Army Corps was recognized as one of the three or four most formidable units in the mighty host of the allied forces fighting for the right.

In looking back across the sixty years one realizes that Confederation has meant a great deal to the progress, prosperity and well being of British North America. It was a means of welding into a powerful Dominion what had been weak colonies, with so little in common, and so little informed of one another's point of view and problems and aspirations, that they might as well have been foreign communities.

Confederation has brought with it the development of a system of Government admirably adapted to the qualities and needs of such a democratic country as Canada, and one that in many respects has served as a model for the constitutions of other self-governing communities in the British Commonwealth.

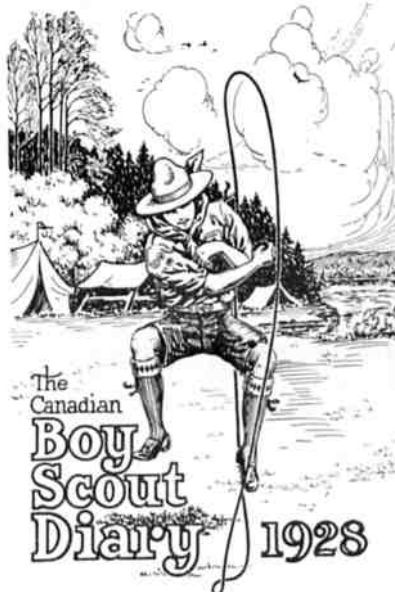
Modern facilities for rapid travel and communication, for conference and co-operation, are rapidly removing the last remains of ancient misunderstandings between different parts of the country. We are learning to understand each other's point of view and peculiar problems, and to realize that each has something worth while to contribute to the National character and the National welfare.

More and more of us are cultivating the ancient Samaritan spirit in our hearts and accepting the modern Boy Scouts' slogan in our lives,—“Do a good turn whenever you can.”

Most inclusive of all, and directly a consequence of Confederation, is the evolution of a National consciousness as a great self-governing community, recognizing and loyally upholding the principle and the fact that Great Britain and the self-governing Dominions “are autonomous communities within the British Empire, equal in status, in no way subordinate one to another in any aspect of their domestic or external affairs, though united by a common allegiance to the Crown, and freely associated as members of the British Commonwealth of Nations.”

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**Prince Congratulates Gillwellians**  
DURING his review of Regina, Lakeview, Tyvan and Strasbourg Scouts at Regina the Prince of Wales noted the Gillwell beads worn by Scoutmasters Monihan and Jacobs, and the Akela beads worn by Lady Cubmaster Campbell, and congratulated them on taking the Gillwell training. A life saving medal worn by Scoutmaster Abrahams also brought attention and congratulation.

**Canadian Cub Joins Abbey Singers**  
SCOUTS throughout the Dominion will be interested to learn that Canadian Scouting will have a representative in the Westminster Abbey Boy Scout choir which toured the country this year. The honour fell to Sixer Charles Palmer of the 6th Edmonton Wolf Cub Pack, who accepted an offer to go to England and join the famous Abbey singers. A suitable send-off was given Sixer Palmer in July, and as a parting gift a leather music case and a photograph of the pack.

**An S.M. Who Knew His First Aid**  
SCOUTMASTER Alton Jones of Welland, Ont., is credited with saving the life of William H. Streater by prompt first aid when the latter was rendered unconscious by electric shock through a high tension-charged radio aerial. Jones also prevented another man from using his own hands to disengage the victim from the charged wire. The Scoutmaster used his hat to free Streater's grip on the aerial.

**Tracking Ability is Expected**  
DURING the summer months Scouts in several localities were called upon to assist in the search for lost persons. Scouts of Guelph, Ont., sought a two-year-old child, which they unhappily found drowned in a quarry. After two days' swimming and diving search in a lake Scoutmaster Reakes and A.S.M. McKenna of Asbestos, Que., recovered the body of a young man who had lost his life. Saint John, N.B., Scouts were more fortunate when asked to help find a 13 year old girl supposed to have been lost in the woods some twelve miles from the city. They found her in the hayloft of a barn not far from home.

**Help Our Friend Toc H**  
MANY Scout leaders will be interested in the campaign opening early in October in the interest of Toc H in Canada. The campaign will be directed by Mr. Harry Ellison, an organizer from the Old Country. Toc H in Canada has served Scouting in a number of ways, including the providing of a number of excellent Scoutmasters, and our leaders can be depended upon to give the Toc H campaign every support possible.  
The campaign dates have been announced as follows: Ontario, October 3-22. Prairie provinces, October 24-November 12. British Columbia, November 14-26. Quebec, including Ottawa, December 1-17.

A page of helpful ideas from wherever and whomsoever we can obtain them.

# THE DUFFEL BAG

If you have a good one worked out with your own Troop, please send it in.

## Practical Compass Tests

**SCOUTMASTER** Greenfield of the 1st St. Anne's Troop, Que., uses a very practical compass test. The boys are taken into the woods, and from a central point are directed to go, say, a hundred yards N.E. by E.; there make a trail sign, and go 150 yards S.E.; there make a trail sign, and go 200 yards W.N.W., etc.

The boys are instructed at each change of direction to fix on some tree or other object, as a guide to keep them true.

The practical value of such a test is self-evident. In addition it is most interesting to the boys.

Most of the 1st St. Anne's hikes are worked out on a map, to compass bearings. The compass also is used in laying out treasure hunts, and adds an element of keen interest,—since each Scout knows that an error on any leg of his search will throw him off completely. And with a cache of eats at stake! Oh boy, be careful!

## Quebec City's Scout

### Week Programme

**F**OLLOWING the review of the district Scouts and Cubs by Lesslie R. Thomson, Commissioner for Sea Scouting, which opened Quebec City's annual Scout Week, the several troops and packs put on a well planned simultaneous display of Scout and Cub work. The exhibition included tent pitching, camp cooking, light bridge building with Scout staves, camp and other games, helio, Morse flag and semaphore signalling, and first aid. A feature of the latter was the construction of a bicycle ambulance which carried off a Scout bandaged for broken limbs.

"A large number of interested spectators passed from group to group; and the entire absence of any formality enabled them all to have a close-up view of some of the training which is carried out by the Movement."

Other features of the week were a street parade, special church services and a banquet at the Chateau Frontenac. The programme was arranged under the direction of Col. William Wood, president of the Quebec District Association, and Assistant District Commissioner C. W. Thompson.

## A Twelve-Month Troop Programme

**A** SUGGESTED Twelve-Month Troop Programme published by the Ontario Provincial Office has had an excellent reception. For each month subjects for especial emphasis are noted, and for each meeting some special topic is suggested. A list of "Troop Projects" is given, and outdoor activities.

The Troop Projects include:

**September:**—Make artificial campfire for Troop meetings.

**October:**—Clean-up and Fire Prevention Week Activities.

**November:**—Thanksgiving Good Turn.

**December:**—Christmas Toy Repair Shop, and other special activities.

**January:**—Build cabinet for Troop supplies. Make a Troop Bulletin Board.

**February:**—Make cabinet for Troop Museum. Start bird observation lists.

**March:**—Build bird houses.

**April:**—Make tents, shelters and gadgets for summer camp.

**May:**—Waste-paper drive. Local Spring Clean-up. Scout gardens.

**June:**—Gather material for Troop Museum.

**July:**—Complete camp equipment. Camp.

**August:**—Camp. Re-decorate or clean up Troop Headquarters.

The "Month's Emphasis" for October (in addition to Advancement in Test Work) is suggested as "Know Your City." Special Topics for Meetings are listed as: Talk by Fire Chief on Fire Prevention. Speaker on some civic department or topic. Visit to City Water Works. Hallowe'en party.

## A VALUABLE IDENTIFICATION AND CHARACTER CARD GOES WITH SCOUT REGISTRATION

### Scout Dates October

Five Saturdays, and one of the best hike months.

**1st**—Bird Migration observation hike.

**8th**—Participate in Fire Prevention Week Activities. Coloured leaf hike. Stalking games.

**15th**—Weed seed hike. Tracking games.

**22nd**—Scout's Pace tests. Water boiling and cooking; fires made by friction.

**29th**—Hare and Hounds tracking hike.

**31st**—Big Hallowe'en party. Good Turns instead of pranks. Annual Scout Census.

## Six and Patrol Competitions in Cubcraft and Scoutcraft

**T**HE annual shield competitions for Sixes and Patrols of the Calgary district resulted in a win for the Brown Six of the 1st Pack and the Chickadee Patrol of the 1st Calgary Troop.

The Cub competition started with the Sixes hoisting Union Jacks, and answering questions on the same, followed by physical drills under the Sixers, and then various Sixer commands to show Sixer control. The third item was knot work, the Cubs having to tie various knots and tell their uses. An Indian club relay race followed, to demonstrate sportsmanship. Kim's game was next, then ball throwing. The final test was a verbal message relay.

The Scout competition opened on a camp site. The patrols had to erect tents, tying certain knots at certain points, fix up two gadgets each (such as pot-holders, axe sheaths and plate

racks), then light a fire and boil a can of water. This provided excellent entertainment for the audience. The second number was a lively one, the examiner gave them a strenuous "Kelly Says" test for alertness. Then came a Patrol Kim's Game, each patrol being given half a minute in which to glance over a tray containing twenty-five assorted objects, after four minutes to write them down. One patrol handed in a sheet with twenty-four objects correct, considered excellent.

A message relay was next played. The message ran: "Take this two-dollar bill and go to the post office, buy a money order for \$1.55, payable at Scout Headquarters, and get ten cents' worth of stamps—two twos, a four, and two ones. Get the paper out of the box, and then hurry home with the change and messages."

The concluding test was the striking of camp. It called for the taking down and folding of the tents, cleaning up the fireplace, pulling up the gadgets, and tidying the site spick and span.

The examiners commented upon the fine sportsmanship shown throughout.

## A Photograph Hike

**A** Photograph Hike used by Calgary and Edmonton troops looks good. With a camera, the S.M. goes out over the proposed trail, and takes a number of snapshots. At the beginning of the hike prints are given to the Patrol Leaders. The patrols are to discover the spot at which the various pictures were snapped. Near the last a prize of some sort is hidden.

## Knot Target

**H**ERE is a good patrol competition knot game developed by the 6th Sherbrooke: Opposing representatives of patrols are given ropes, and a certain knot called for. As soon as tied the resulting hoop is thrown over a staff, held upright at a distance of ten feet. The first hoop over the staff, the knot being correctly tied, wins. The game is called Knot Target.

## Try This on Your Pack

**A**T the summer's camp of the 1st Delisle Pack, Sask., under Cubmaster the Rev. A. B. Sharples, a popular council fire stunt was the telling of a story by the C.M. and "illustrating" of it by the Cubs actions and exclamations, as—

"It was a dark and stormy night. (Cubs all shiver.) A poor little boy got lost. (All, 'Poor little boy!') Suddenly he saw a dog, which said—(Bow wow wow!). It was chasing a cat, which said—(Meow, meow!). A rocket went up. (A big hiss, all look up and exclaim, 'Oh, look!') Sad to say, the stick fell down on the poor little boy, and made him cry. (All cry.)"

Have your boys develop the habit of carrying the Scout Diary. As a Scout's ready reference and reminder it will be of real value to them.