



AS a result of the generous action of His Excellency, Viscount Willingdon, Chief Scout for Canada, in suggesting and in giving his personal support to the project, it is possible to announce officially that funds have been subscribed to finance the sending to this year's great Jamboree in England of the minimum contingent of two complete troops of Canadian Scouts, without expense to the individual boys or to the various provincial organizations concerned.

A particularly gratifying result of the raising of this, the "Chief Scout's Fund," is the fact that the full official Scout-quota representation of each province is thus assured.

The money was subscribed by leading citizens of the Dominion.

With the financing of the minimum two troops completed, other arrangements went ahead rapidly, and it is now possible to announce full details regarding the trip.

#### To Assemble at the Capital

The Scouts making up the Jamboree contingent (both those selected under quota and those financed in other ways), will assemble at Ottawa, Thursday, July 11th, the boys travelling to the capital in their own troop uniforms (with blue shorts). There the Jamboree Troop uniform—complete, including brown shoes—will be issued, for dress-occasion wear. The home troop uniform, plus the addition of a "CANADA" shoulder badge, will be kept for wear at other times.

The boys will be assigned to troops and patrols, and will undergo a week's intensive training, with some intervals for visiting the various places of interest in the capital. On Thursday, July 18th, the contingent will entrain for Montreal, and sail the following day by the S.S. Antonia, of the Cunard Line.

## The Chief Scout's Jamboree Fund Assures Full Contingent

It is probable that His Excellency the Governor General will review the contingent before its departure.

The Antonia is due at Liverpool on Saturday, July 29th.

Following the close of the Jamboree, August 13th, there will be a sight-seeing tour of England and Scotland. And here our Chief Scout has further shown his interest by arranging for certain special stops which could only be secured for Scouts. The tour will end at Glasgow, August 22nd, when the party will embark for home by the Cunarder Letitia.

#### Leaders

The only decision to date regarding the selection of leaders for the Jamboree party is that these shall be chosen and invited with an eye to their ability to bring back and pass on to others in their province the world significance of Scouting as envisioned by the Jamboree, and otherwise make the widest possible use of the experience.

Leaders planning to accompany the contingent at their own expense will make application to their Provincial Jamboree Committee, Provincial Headquarters, when detailed information will be supplied. The cost to such

leaders will be approximately the same as that noted for Scouts independently financed, less \$12 (training camp at Ottawa) and such further amounts as may represent uniform and equipment which it is unnecessary to purchase.

The amount payable to the Provincial Jamboree Committee will be approximately \$175, covering return steamship fare, passport and camp in England, plus \$56 if the post-Jamboree tour is included.

Of the above amount \$25 will be payable to the Provincial Jamboree Committee upon approval of application to accompany the contingent, and the balance by May 15th.

Regarding uniform,—it is the desire of the Chief Scout and Chief Commissioner that leaders accompanying the contingent shall wear the standard uniform combination adopted for the Jamboree Troop. In any case, it is expected that all leaders will be smartly dressed, in a standard Canadian uniform, with shorts.

#### Complete Details

The details which follow may be secured in pamphlet form from your Provincial Jamboree Committee.

#### Jamboree Details

##### Q. 1

Where held and dates?

Near Birkenhead, Liverpool, England, July 31st-August 13th.

##### Q. 2

Where and when will the Canadian delegation assemble?

At Ottawa, Thursday, July 11th, for one week's training.

##### Q. 3

When will the delegation sail?

On Friday, July 19th, by the S.S. Antonia, of the Cunard Line, from Montreal.

##### Q. 4

What will be the size of the delegation?

An official minimum of two troops of 32 boys each, and leaders, plus any number of Scouts and leaders who can themselves finance the trip, provided they measure up to the qualifications required and are otherwise approved by the Provincial Jamboree Committee.

##### Q. 5

How many Scouts from each Province will make up the Official Minimum Delegation?

British Columbia	4
Alberta	6
Saskatchewan	8
Manitoba	6
Ontario	22
Quebec	10
New Brunswick	2
Nova Scotia	4
Prince Edward Island	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>64</b>

##### Q. 6

How selected?

Under direction of the Provincial Jamboree Committee at Provincial Headquarters.

##### Q. 7

What will be the basis of selection?

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## The Scout Leader

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### The Chief Scout's Fund

THAT Viscount Willingdon does not view the position of Chief Scout for Canada as a nominal one has had numerous practical demonstrations. No more splendid final proof could have been given than his own suggestion that a special fund be raised to ensure the full official representation of each province of the Dominion at the great Scout Jamboree, and his own support in raising the fund.

Every Scout and Scouter in Canada realizes our good fortune in such leadership; and every effort will be made to ensure that the contingent of Scouts who go to represent the Dominion at the Jamboree will measure up to everything that Viscount Willingdon would wish to see in them.

### A Registration Card and a Bank Manager

REPORTED by Field Secretary Edgar Jones of Ontario:—"I last week met a Patrol Leader who related an interesting experience in which his Scout Registration Card figured helpfully. He had occasion to cash a cheque at a bank at which he was not known, and as identification presented his Registration Card. It was accepted at once, and in addition to cashing the cheque, the manager refrained from charging the usual exchange!"

Of course the card was up to date!

### Thought He Was Using the Patrol System

A certain Scoutmaster was asked why he didn't use the Patrol System.

"Use the Patrol System? Why I am using the Patrol System," he replied indignantly.

But after listening to an outline of the real workings of the Patrol System he realized that he had been the big "it" in the troop; that the P.L.'s were little more than honorary leaders; that the Court of Honour was called simply to listen to his plans; that the troop meeting programmes, hikes, camps,—in fact, all the activities of the troop were planned by him, all the initiative and imagination supplied by him.

"I guess you are right," he confessed, "I only thought I was using the Patrol System."

Now he is taking the Correspondence Course, to obtain a real grasp of the underlying principles of Scout-mastership, and he plans to finish off by living the Patrol System for ten days at the provincial Summer Gillwell camp.

### Sir James Aikins

IN the death, Sunday, March 2nd, of Sir James Aikins, K.C., M.A., LL.D., Chief Scout for Manitoba, Scouting in that province suffered a heavy loss and the Dominion one of its most useful and prominent citizens. Sir James, then Lieutenant-Governor, was appointed Chief Scout for Manitoba in 1926, and was invested at a rally of some 1500 Winnipeg Scouts and Cubs in June of that year by Sir Alfred Pickford. Sir James retained the office of Chief Scout subsequent to his retirement as Lieutenant-Governor, and continued to give Scouting in the province his constant help and encouragement. He inspected troops, attended Scout rallies, addressed service clubs, and in addition gave the Movement generous financial support.

When addressing the Winnipeg Kiwanis Club on one occasion Sir James is quoted as saying, "Outside of the Christian home, the Boy Scouts organization provides the finest means of character building of which I know." Sir James Aikins' belief in Scouting and his untiring support of it will long be remembered as an inspiration and encouragement by all those associated with him in the Movement.



A light-weight cottage tent made and used last summer by Scoutmaster and Mrs. Milnes of the 1st Stanstead, Que.

### World Chief Scout's Birthday

THE usual large number of annual banquets was held Friday evening, February 22nd, in celebration of the joint birthdays of the World Chief Scout and World Chief Guide—pack banquets, troop banquets, district banquets, and in the case of Ontario, a banquet of some three hundred provincial leaders. One wonders whether any other world figures past and present have been so widely remembered and toasted—literally around the globe, and in half a hundred languages. Space does not permit mention of the many banquet reports received. An impressive feature was the prominent position locally, and in some cases provincially, and nationally, of the special speakers for the occasion. In a great many cases the role was filled by a prominent clergyman, a school inspector or principal, a judge or the Mayor. At the Ontario Conference banquet the speaker was a former provincial Minister of Education and one of the Dominion's outstanding church leaders, the Rev. Canon H. J. Cody.

### The Correspondence Course and Camping

IF you want to know how to prepare for next summer's camp take the Correspondence Course and tell your troubles to the Reader.



Are you prepared for spring ice accidents? See **The Scout Leader** for February, 1928.

The 2nd St. Thomas Rovers have added to similar good work in other communities the organization of a troop and pack at Glanworth, Ont.

Significant of the standing which is being earned by Rovering in the Old Country was the recent enrolment as Rovers of the Lord Mayor of Birmingham and the Mayor of Smethwick.

The address of Sir Henry Thornton at the annual banquet of officers and Patrol Leaders of Montreal on February 14th was broadcast by the C.N.R. network over two-thirds of Canada—from the Maritimes to Saskatchewan.

Toronto Scouts again had the honour of acting as pages and ushers for the February opening of the Ontario Provincial Parliament. A new touch of smartness and colour was added by the presence of Scouts in kilts.

The Troop Committee of the 1st Trenton, Ont., has broken important new ground in summer camp financing by backing a local Chautauqua venture. The necessary number of guarantors has almost been secured.

Some 500 Guides and Brownies and 700 Scouts and Cubs of Ottawa were entertained at a skating party at Rideau Hall by the Chief Scout for Canada, on Saturday afternoon, February 23rd. His Excellency was present throughout, actively assisting in directing the programme, even to such details as making sure that certain small Brownies and Wolf Cubs had secured their cake and ice cream. A sunny Ottawa winter's day made the occasion perfect, and one long to be remembered by those taking part.

Further reports bring to 92 the total of 1928 Christmas Toy Shops by the addition of Kelowna and Bonnington Falls, B.C. The Kelowna shop, a Scout-Guide partnership, provided gifts for some 180 children, and with the co-operation of local merchants included nuts and candy in each parcel. The Bonnington Scouts supplied the Government Agent at Nelson with two boxes of toys for distribution among settlers' families in the district. In addition to the two above mentioned toy shops, the annual report of the 1st Foam Lake Troop, Sask., mentions the holding of a masquerade dance, the proceeds of which went to buy toys for 80 children in the Foam Lake district.



## The Chief Scout's Outlook

I have been asked to repeat my message to the Rover Leaders' Conference in London on November 24th. This is what I sent over the phone:

"I am extremely sorry that I am sent to bed and cannot attend the Rover Conference to-night. It is a great disappointment to me, as I look upon this meeting as a particularly important step for the advancement of Rovering.

"The Camp Chief has said in his recent report, 'Rovering has its feet upon the rock and not its head in the clouds.' I think we all realize the truth of this. Rovers no longer want patting on the back, but rather wel-



THE 28th Vancouver "Foresters" build a Troop Shack, "so the Scouts can leave equipment at camp and go up over week-ends and holidays during the early spring and late fall."

come criticism for getting their movement on to the right lines, and I look to this conference to bring that about. The main question has been well ventilated, and thanks to the exertions of the Acting Commissioner for Rovers and the Committee, the numerous replies have been classified into convenient form for arriving at a decision.

"In coming to definite conclusions I would urge one or two points to be kept in view. For instance:

"1. That Rovers are Scouts, and the Scout spirit and the out-of-door atmosphere are essential.

"2. That Service is not extraneous to the Rovers' daily life and work. Carrying on their professions well is part of their service for the community.

"3. That Rovering is partly preparation for life and also a pursuit for life.

"4. That stickability is a branch of character that is most rare and most valuable, and therefore most needed in the youth of to-day. It can be developed through Rovering.

"5. That in formulating any rules or schemes for Rovering, for goodness sake let them be elastic. Look wide, since, if broad-mindedly set out, they will apply not merely to London or Puddington-in-the-Marsh, but to our far-reaching Dominions overseas and to foreign countries who all look to us for direction and example.

"6. That Rovering is not intended to make a man a self-satisfied prig or a melancholy saint, but to help him to direct his joyous youthful energy into paths which will bring him greater happiness through living a life that is worth while in its service to others."

### Deep Sea Scouting

That interest in the Deep Sea Scouts is spreading is evident from a letter published in the *Nautical Magazine*

for December, in which an anonymous writer says: "What a difference Deep Sea Scouting would make to young men at sea. No matter the port, nationality or religion, they would meet with fellow Scouts under conditions unthought of before. You say they probably might not be entertained; I would go so far as to say that a large percentage would find that they would be invited to the homes of Scouts. People know that a boy must have fairly sound principles if he professes to be a Scout. Imagine a ship with a crew of men who made Scouting their religion. I mean men who were faithful to the Scout Law, and an afterguard who had been brought up under such a law. What an empty farce would be the punishment page of the log book. What a happy, contented and perfectly disciplined ship's company you would have.

"We, especially in the Merchant Navy, must throw our heart and soul into such an effort as Deep Sea Scouting, and back it up in every possible way. . . . We in the Mariner's Company are endeavouring to raise the status of the Merchant Navy officer, and we must raise the status of our crews. We must bring them along with us, as they have done in the Royal Navy. And how are we going to do it? By getting our boys to embrace the Scout idea.



THE results of a busy Easter week-end. Considerable axe work had been done previously in clearing a site out of the heavy bush.

"Slowly but surely these young men will prove themselves a good influence in their fo'c'stles, galleys, pantries and stokeholds.

"In foreign ports they would have somewhere to go; the same in home ports. What a perfect discipline we would have, each man having something in common, and always realizing the other's point of view!"

### Tristan da Cunha

One British colony fears that it will not be able to send representatives to our Jamboree, and that is Tristan da Cunha. We have recently had letters dated March and April from Mr. Pooley, the Chaplain on the Island, and while sending cordial greetings from the Scouts, he regrets that, unless they can make an airship in time, there is little chance of their getting to our Jamboree.

It was delightful to feel that in this far-off island in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean, and cut off from everywhere else, they are thinking of us and our doings.

We can only wish that they may have a very Happy Christmas in their far-away home, and we are sending them Scout outfits to help in making it so.

### Scouts and Motorists

Forty thousand deaths have occurred in the last ten years through accidents on our roads, and nearly a million of injuries. This may strike different people in different ways, but to me it suggests what a Heaven-sent opportunity for our Scouts! It gives them a real incentive for making themselves efficient in First Aid service, together with the chance of putting it to practical use. Dangerous points exist on every road in the Kingdom, especially on week-ends and Bank Holidays. These have been suggested as good places for Scouts to make for, and there to picnic and wait for jobs. But it were idle to do this unless they were prepared beforehand in organization and training ad hoc.

It is a good practice to teach the troop how to deal with accidents, with Scouts detailed to stop a running engine, to cut off the petrol, to use extinguishers or check a fire with sand, etc., and, of course, how to lever up a smashed car and extract the injured and then render First Aid, treat his burns, tourniquet his artery, splint his broken limb, etc. In addition to these it is also necessary to organize the service of sending for help, of diverting the traffic, of holding back the crowd, and so on.

Already steps in this kind of instruction have been taken in one country; but I expect that nowadays no district is without some training in this direction. The country alluded to has gone a step further, in teaching its Scouts to be recognized Guides for motorists. They have to know the geography of their country, the destination of the roads, their condition for motoring, their distances, points of interest in the neighborhood, etc. Then they are taught to explain these really intelligently, clearly, and concisely. This done systematically is a valuable lesson for the boys themselves and a particularly useful help to travellers.

### Get On With the Job

With reference to my recent suggestion for kicking the IM out of the word Impossible, I may add, for the comfort of some, that even if we have doubts about being able to attain the impossible in Scouting, we may reassure ourselves that, at any rate, we can do something tangible and effective in that direction.

We can at least do something to prevent a proportion of our young



ANOTHER week-end's finishing touches. The shack is located on the sea shore a half mile from Camp Byng, on Vancouver's fine permanent camp site.



fellows from becoming lost souls, from drifting to form, as they otherwise might, a further generation of the unemployable human wastage which today stands as a disgrace to our national powers of organization, as well as a danger to general peace and prosperity.

By training our Scouts to something more than mere playing at Scouting, and through that game to develop character, we are contributing each one of us an atom of service which goes to build an atoll of nationality.

Of course there is always the danger of striving too hard when we become enthused on a thing. As Mortimer Schiff wisely said at the Ithaca Conference in the United States last autumn: "Are we not in danger of taking ourselves too seriously and forgetting that, after all, Scouting is a game?"

"Get back to Scouting" is now the slogan. Our job is like golf, or scything, or fly-fishing. If you "press" you don't get there, at least not with anything like the extent you do by a light-hearted effortless swing. But you have got to swing. It's no use standing still. It is one thing or the other, either progress or relax. Let us progress—and with a smile on.



**FINISHED** and ready for holiday and week-end patrol hikes that are talked of for a month. The veranda is furnished with 28th "Troop" rustic furniture.

#### Our Increased Numbers

On going to press I learn that our numbers during the past year have gone ahead to a greater extent than I had anticipated, and I should like to congratulate most cordially the Scouters who have brought about this happy result.

In the United Kingdom there appears to have been an increase to the extent of 32,000 boys, while overseas numbers have increased to forty thousand.

This is more than gratifying, but at the same time warns us to Be Preparing for a far bigger contingent next year, with the boom brought about by the Jamboree.

It should therefore be the business of Scouters everywhere to look out for potential Scoutmasters wherever they can.

One of the "straws" which shows the progress of the Movement is the development of the London branch of the Rover Scouts, which now has a membership of 5,355, of whom 4,390, i.e., 81.4 per cent, are doing definite and specific service either inside or outside the Movement.

#### Personal

Once more I have to express my thanks for an overwhelming shower of good wishes for Christmas and the New Year from Scouts and Scouters in all parts of the world. I am deeply

touched and grateful, and if any have by chance not received my personal acknowledgment I hope they will accept this as my warmest thanks.

#### Happifying

At the risk of being a bore I would like to point out once again a direction in which we want to progress. Provided we don't aim too high or go too fast or too seriously, there is one job we can do through our boys.

It is the great little service of **happifying**. This old English word, which I have quoted before as used by Shakespeare and revived by Sir Henry Newbolt, is one to carry in our minds in training our boys. If a boy only makes himself wear a cheery countenance in the street it is something. (Don't forget he gains it from the example of his Scoutmaster.) It happens or brightens up numbers of his passers by, among the depressing hundreds of glum faces that they otherwise meet. The glum or the bright is equally infectious. To get the boy to do this as a step to greater **happifying** services is a thing worth trying for. The desire to **happify** once instilled into the character of the boy is going to make all the difference in his relations with his fellow men, and in his attitude to the community in after life. It will make him the "happy, helpful citizen" whom we need, and this, after all, is the real aim of our endeavour in Scouting.

The working of this ideal is already showing itself most gorgeously in the spirit of the Rover Scouts. This year of the Great Jamboree will bring in a legion of boys wanting to come into our joyous brotherhood. And here will lie a big opportunity for Rover Scouts to pursue the quest of **happifying**, by taking on these lads and not suffering them to be sent away.

Thus the job of **happifying** lies open to all of us, Scouters, Rovers and Scouts. Let us get on with that job and make **happifying** our motto for 1929.

#### JAMBOREE DETAILS

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- (a) Any Scout fourteen years of age or over, on the first day of January 1929, who is a Second Class Scout and has qualified for the Camp Cook's Badge, and is considered by his Scoutmaster to have all-round Scouting ability, may be considered eligible to attend the Jamboree.



**COMPLETE** with stove, coffee-pot, dishes in rack, cups for six, kettles, pots and pans, plenty of dry wood, bunks—cozy and satisfyingly rough! You can't look at this without wishing you were to spend next week-end there!

Where it becomes necessary for the Scoutmaster and his Commissioner to decide as to which boys may go, preference would be given to King's Scouts, First Class Scouts, and Scouts holding the Camper's Badge, and otherwise as to suitability as revealed by their records and general merit.

- (b) No Scout may form part of the Canadian delegation unless he has had at least two year's continuous service as a Scout previous to January 1st, 1929.
- (c) No Scout or leader will be accepted as forming part of the Canadian delegation unless approved by the Provincial Jamboree Committee.
- (d) Scouts must have a satisfactory recommendation from their school authorities or, in the case of employed boys, from their employers.
- (e) Each Scout must be nominated by his Scoutmaster and have a good record for diligence and efficiency.
- (f) Both Scouts and leaders will be asked to carry Dominion Registration Cards.
- (g) Scouts will be expected to be in good physical condition and be certified by a Doctor as being in good health.
- (h) Selection of boys to be by Provincial Jamboree Committee. The method to be left in their hands.

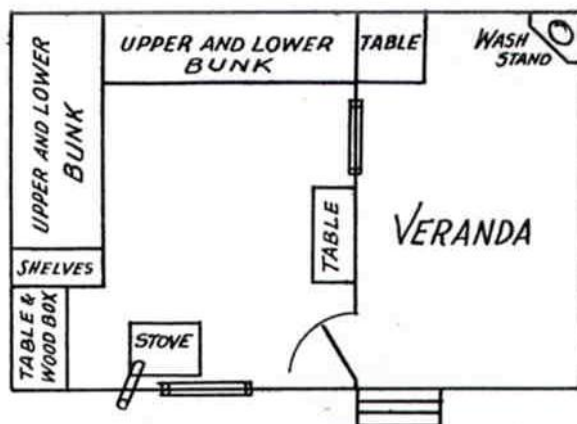
Q. 8

What will be the cost to Scouts selected under the quota?

Approximately \$20.00 to cover small incidental personal expenses. All other expenses will be taken care of by the Chief Scout's Fund.

#### THE GROUND PLAN

*THE building-adventure and the maintaining of such scoutly homes in the woods account in no small degree for the year-after-year success of some of our outstanding troops.*





## Q. 9

*What uniform will be worn?*

Scouts going under quota will wear their own troop uniforms (with blue shorts) to point of assembly. A complete Jamboree Troop uniform, including shoes, will be furnished free, for wearing on parade occasions.

(See Kit to be Taken, page 66.)

## Q. 10

*Will the requirements under Q. 7 apply to Scouts going at their own expense?*

Yes. Scouts going at their own expense must in every respect meet the requirements as laid down for Scouts going under the quota.

## Q. 11

*What will be the status in the Jamboree Troop of Scouts going at their own expense?*

Exactly the same as Scouts going under quota. There will be no way of telling one from the other. Each will be a representative of Canada, under the same obligations and discipline.

## Q. 12

*What will be the cost to Scouts going at their own expense?*

Transportation (including meals, sleeper, etc.) to the point of assembly, going, and from the point of debarkation, returning, at special fare and a half return (procured upon presentation of certificate provided by the Provincial Jamboree Committee)---

(a) Special Jamboree Troop uniform, including shoes; also rucksack, coat-sweater, slicker and sou'-wester, spinning-rope and small first-aid kit; (b) camp maintenance in Canada; (c) return steamship fare; (d) two weeks' camp in England—Total approximately ----- \$215.00

Items of kit (page 66) which it may be necessary to purchase -----

Optional	INSERT AMOUNT
One week's post-Jamboree tour of England and Scotland -----	56.00
or, one week's maintenance at Birkenhead and railroad fare to point of sailing at Glasgow, approximately -----	20.00
Small incidental personal expenses, approximately -----	20.00

## Q. 13

*Of the above, what amount is payable through the Provincial Jamboree Committee to the Dominion Jamboree Committee, and when?*

\$215, plus \$56 if the Post-Jamboree tour is taken; \$25 payable on the forwarding of the approved nomination form to the Provincial Jamboree Committee, balance by May 15th.

## Q. 14

*What uniform will be worn by Scouts going at their own expense?*

Scouts going at their own expense will

wear their own troop uniforms (blue shorts) to point of assembly. There a complete Jamboree Troop uniform, including shoes and rucksack, will be provided, as noted in Q. 12. (See Kit, page 66.)

## Q. 15

*Will the various provincial groups be kept together?*

No. The delegation is in principle to represent Canada as a whole, and not the provinces of Canada; and in order to achieve this in spirit and fact, and for the future benefit to the boys themselves, all provincial groups will be "reshuffled" so that, as far as possible, each patrol will be a cross-section of the Dominion.

## Q. 16

*May Scout leaders go at their own expense?*

Upon the approval of the Provincial Jamboree Committee, through whom applications will be made, Rover leaders, Assistant Scoutmasters, Scoutmasters and Commissioners may accompany the Scout delegation, in uniform.

## Q. 17

*What will be the cost to such leaders?*

Approximately the same as that for Scouts going at their own expense.

## Q. 18

*What uniform and kit will such leaders wear?*

Any standard Scout leaders' uniform (blue shorts) and standard rucksack. Where a new uniform is purchased it is suggested that this be standard for the Jamboree Troop. This may be secured from the Stores Department, Ottawa.

## Q. 19

*Where and when will such leaders join the Jamboree Troop?*

Unless otherwise arranged by the Dominion Jamboree Committee such leaders will join the Jamboree Troop at the dock at Montreal on the morning of July 19th.

## Q. 20

*What will be the status of such leaders in the Jamboree party?*

Those accompanying the delegation will be expected to assist in the direction and handling of the Scouts, if requested, and generally to give the Commissioner in charge their loyal support in maintaining the best Scouting standard, spirit, and discipline in the Jamboree Troop. At the Jamboree they will be expected to make themselves useful in every way possible, and to conform to all such camp regulations as may be in force.

## Q. 21

*May such leaders return independently?*

Yes; on the conclusion of the Jamboree, August 13th, leaders going at their own expense will be free to return when and how desired, subject to such return passage arrangements as they may be able to make with the Cunard Steamship Company.

## Q. 22

*May Cub Leaders go?*

The Imperial Jamboree Circular states:—"Wolf Cubs and Cubmasters are not invited to the Jamboree."

## Q. 23

*May relatives of Scouts or leaders accompany the Jamboree delegation?*

There will be no objection to relatives of Scouts and Scout leaders accompanying the Jamboree contingent to England on the same ship. Bookings may be made through local Steamship Agents. Such relatives will be expected to make their own travelling and hotel arrangements in England.

By arrangement made with the C. N. R. and C. P. R., bona fide relatives of Scouts and Scout leaders will be given the benefit of a special return railway fare to Montreal. The arrangement applies also to relatives wishing to see the contingent off at Montreal.

The above special railroad rates will be made available upon the presentation at local ticket offices of a certificate which will be supplied upon application to the Provincial Jamboree Committee.

## Q. 24

*Will Scouts be required to remain with the Jamboree Troop during the entire period in England?*

If desired, and if agreed to by parents, Scouts may go off "on their own" at the end of the first week of the Jamboree, but the whole fourteen days in the Jamboree camp will have to be paid for, according to the Imperial Jamboree Circular; "and it is hoped that all Scouts and Scouters will stay for the whole fortnight of the Jamboree."

## Q. 25

*What will be the arrangements for returning to Canada?*

Following the Jamboree there will be a week's tour of England and Scotland, (at a cost of \$56 to Scouts paying their own way) ending at Glasgow on August 22nd, when the delegation will board the S.S. Letitia for Canada.

This tour will be optional; those not participating will be expected to be in Glasgow to rejoin the Jamboree Troop on the day of sailing.

## Q. 26

*May Scouts going to England independently, or who may be in England at the time of the Jamboree, wear Scout uniform?*

It was agreed at the conference of Commissioners on the Jamboree that the wearing of the Canadian Scout uniform by Scouts in England at the time of the Jamboree should be confined to members of the Canadian Jamboree Troop.

## Q. 27

*What kit and baggage may be taken?*

The appearance of the Canadian Jamboree Troop will be of the first importance, and



a necessity to this is uniformity of equipment. With this in mind it has been laid down that each Scout will travel with only such baggage as can be carried in a standard rucksack. (A demonstration, with every item of Kit included, proved this easily possible.)

**KIT TO BE TAKEN OVERSEAS**  
*To be issued at Ottawa to Scouts selected under quota and to Scouts going at their own expense.*

Hat.  
Neckerchief.  
Turk's-head.  
Shirt.  
Shorts.  
Belt.  
Stockings (2 pr.).  
Garter tabs.  
Shoes.  
Rucksack.  
Haversack.  
Coat-sweater.  
Slicker and sou'-wester.  
Spinning rope.  
Small first aid kit.

*In Addition to Above to be Supplied by Scouts*

Bible, Testament or Prayer Book.  
Own Troop Neckerchief.  
Scout shirt.  
Blue Shorts.  
Stockings (2 pr.).  
2 extra suits underwear, medium weight.  
2 pairs pyjamas.  
Gym suit (white)  
Extra pair brown shoe laces.  
Pair rubbers.  
Pair khaki coloured rubber-soled high shoes, for wear on shipboard.  
Half dozen handkerchiefs.  
Bathing suit.  
1 hand towel, 1 medium-sized bath towel.  
Comb, brush and metal mirror.  
Toothbrush and paste.  
Soap, in metal container.  
Cord lashing (No. 4, 16 feet or so).  
Small sewing kit, containing thread, needles, darning wool, buttons, pins, safety pins.  
6 blanket pins.  
Scout pocket knife.  
Notebook and pencil.  
Canadian Scout Diary.  
*Add if Owned*  
Natural Wood Stave.  
Harmonica, in Key of C.  
Small folding camera.  
Wristwatch.  
Flashlight.  
Small pair field glasses.

Sir Charles Wakefield, the ex-Lord Mayor of London, has recently given £1,000 to provide a camping ground for the Boy Scouts of London.

#### A Proficiency Badge Idea

**P**ERHAPS you have not been using the Proficiency Badge idea as you should. The Reader of the **Correspondence Course** will show you the place Baden-Powell intended Proficiency Badges to occupy in Scouting.

## The Manitoba Conference

**Q**UOTING "Ad Rem" in the **Winnipeg Tribune**.—"The fact of a new leader for the province taking office is an event of consequence, and the more so when that gentleman has been set apart as a judge and a leader."

The quotation referred to a double incident of unusual interest which marked the 9th Annual Leaders' Conference of Manitoba, held in Winnipeg, February 12th—the taking of the Scout leader's promise by Hon. Justice J. F. Kilgour as Provincial Commissioner, and by Mr. R. G. Persse as Provincial President.

The investiture was given in all due form by Assistant Provincial Commissioner Frank W. Thompson. Justice Kilgour responded in a very happy speech in which he paid tribute to "a Movement he had long admired and of which he was now glad to be a member." There were many things he had to learn, he declared, but these he would hope to acquire by mixing with leaders and with Scouts. The new Provincial President also spoke in an appreciative and happy vein.

The conference, with which was combined the 13th Annual Meeting of the Provincial Association, brought together a representative gathering from all sections of the province, and a number of leaders from other western provinces. Dominion Headquarters was represented by Assistant Chief Commissioner, John A. Stiles.

At the Annual Meeting, held in the afternoon, with President Persse in the chair, a report showing Manitoba Scouting to be in a thriving condition was presented by the new Provincial Commissioner. A most satisfactory financial statement was presented by the Honorary Treasurer, Mr. A. L. Crossin; and in recognition of his valuable services of several years Mr. Crossin was presented with the gold Scout Swastika.

The conference discussions covered a wide range of subjects and brought out a number of practical suggestions and helpful reminders of Scouting principles.

### THE BOY—

The first paper was that of Vice-President W. Sadler of the West Winnipeg Local Association, based on "The Problems of Childhood," by Angelo Patri, with special application to the boy.

Regarding the variableness of the boy, Mr. Sadler quoted: "He is a growing organism. He cannot be neatly classified. He varies from day to day, even from hour to hour. He is alternately hard-boiled and sentimental, impish and angelic, sublime and ridiculous."

This should constantly be kept in mind by the Scout leader. "And we should guard against judging him by what we hope he will be, but by what he is. We must not impose our adult standard upon him. The man who has forgotten his own boyhood, his own pranks, his own mistakes, his own lapses from rectitude, cannot hope to understand and sympathize with the lad and his world of temptation and difficulties."

Mr. Sadler stressed the value of example as against preaching. "Above all, remember that you cannot teach morality by preaching alone. Recall your own boyhood days, and the comparative effect upon you of preaching and example."

"What you do, your Scouts probably will do; what you think they will absorb and think. So always set them the example of 'playing the game.'"

The speaker had a word regarding necessary admonition. "When you have to condemn a boy, finish the job, and don't hold post-mortems. When it is done, let it die. Don't nag. Let him start afresh without the shadow of his misdemeanor hanging over his head. Let him know that tomorrow is a new day."

In conclusion Mr. Sadler quoted from Patri's book regarding "The Best Boy":—

"Did you ever take a good look at the best boy in the class? Ever stop to think why he was the Best Boy? If you have, the result must have been rather disconcerting."

"The best boy is so often the boy who does nothing at all all day. He does nothing at all although he has gone to school, recited his lessons dutifully all day long, all term long, and has been duly promoted. The teacher did all the doing. The boy did all the gesturing."

"But he was the best boy in the class. The same thing holds good at home. Never gives his mother a bit of trouble. He goes to school without a whimper, and comes home by the clock. His shoes are always clean, and his cap sits trimly over his calm brow. He says, 'Yes, Mother,' one breath after the decree, and there is no guile in him. He is a source of comfort and delight to the teacher and a dove bearing peace to his fond mother."

"Then why should the best boy bring a worry-wrinkle to the thoughtful brow? Because such unprotesting righteousness is not healthy. Childhood is the time of growth, and growth is not made so smoothly. Progress is made over a crooked, winding, bumpy path, beset by lions and bedevilled by wild imps. No normal traveler goes this way without murmurs and wild rejoicings and shrill protests. None of these come from the Best Boy."

It was noted that Angelo Patri, who is recognized by educationalists as one of the world's leading authorities on child life, is a strong advocate of the Scouting programme.

### UP-TO-DATE METHODS OF RESUSITATION—

This subject was handled by Assistant Provincial Commissioner Alex. Officer, of the Winnipeg Public Health Department. In addition to carbon monoxide cases, the danger of asphyxiation from certain types of refrigerating plants was referred to. For all such cases Mr. Officer emphasized the importance of immediate application of artificial respiration.

He warned against the use of the pulmotor and other mechanical breathing devices, and declared none of these were as effective and as safe as the Schafer method. He also warned against the undue use of counter-shock



methods, such as beating the soles of the feet; and mentioned one instance in which a patient was hit over the head in an endeavour to bring him to.

### ROVERING—

A most interesting and convincing paper on this newer branch of Scouting had as a further interest the fact that it was presented by one of Winnipeg's outstanding church leaders, Rev. E. J. Springett, Chaplain of the 8th Winnipeg Troop. As was to be expected, Mr. Springett spoke from the viewpoint of the clergyman.

"I believe Rovering is going to solve one of our greatest church problems," he declared. "The moment our boys get into the 'teen age we begin to lose them. They feel themselves too old for the Sunday-school, and they don't like to come to a Bible class. But there is something appealing, something essentially manly in the whole of Rovering; nothing that the 'teen age boy can call wishy-washy; only manly, virile activities that have a natural appeal."

In the Rover Crew of his own parish Mr. Springett declared he had found the embodiment of thoughtfulness and co-operation, and added, "I have been amazed at the capacity for development in Rovers. I have found that it does not need a request for service; a hint has been all that was necessary."

Discussing the principles of Rovering, he said he understood this to be "service," and not merely super-scouting. "It was the scheme of taking the Scout spirit into the man's life. We teach the Cub to D. Y. B., we teach the Scout to 'Be Prepared,' and we teach the Rover to do his best to be prepared and to serve in whatever phase of life he may find himself.

"Put Rover training on a broad basis, and it will help solve some of our greatest problems in the training of young people," he concluded.

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## The Ontario Conference

*Let me live my life like a Scouting man,  
With Scout friends good and true;  
Let me play the game on the Scouting plan,  
And play it all the way through;  
Let me win or lose with a Scouting smile,  
And never be known to whine;  
For that is the regular Scouting style,  
And I want to make it mine.*

THE above verse, quoted very effectively by president J. W. Mitchell at the Conference banquet, may be said to have embodied the spirit of the 18th annual gathering of the Scout leaders of Ontario, held in London, February 22nd and 23rd. Close to 300 leaders and committeemen attended; and the summary of parting comments was that in the number of those participating in the discussions, in the grasp of Scouting values shown, and in the whole business-like say-it-and-quit "tidiness" of the various sessions the conference reflected a further substantial advance in the quality of Scout leadership in the province.

The hospitality shown made an impression upon all. A considerable

proportion of the visiting leaders were taken into homes of the city; Mayor and City Council extended many courtesies, and numerous institutions and large manufacturing concerns invited the delegates to visit their plants. Large banners on the fine new Hotel London, the conference headquarters, welcomed out-of-town Scouters, and business houses displayed "Welcome, Scout Leaders!" window cards. Mayor Kilpatrick personally extended the corporation's welcome. Preceding the conference the city had printed an attractive booklet advertising the gathering, and providing information of local places of interest. All these details of course represented much thought and work on the part of Acting District Secretary Paddon and the London Scoutmasters' Club.

The annual report, presented as the incidental business of the banquet, showed another year of satisfactory progress in practically all branches of the Movement including an increase in numbers to 19,242, as at October 31st, 1928.

Undoubtedly one of the outstanding features of the conference was the address by Rev. Canon H. J. Cody, D.D., LL.D., chairman of the Board of Governors of Toronto University and former Minister of Education for the province.

Many interesting thoughts were offered by the distinguished speaker. Perhaps the one that most impressed was his reference to "the lost generation" of the period of the Great War, the "claim for self-expression—however unworthy that self" of the generation that immediately followed, and the responsibility for getting back to normal the new generation which lies under the hands of the leaders of the young of today.

The danger for this newer generation Canon Cody declared to be the increase of leisure time, consequent upon the increased mechanical production of the necessities of life. "How this increased leisure is to be spent is one of our greatest educational problems," he declared. "And there is no greater factor for the solving of this problem than Scouting and Guiding; there is no greater educational force in the world than that wielded by the Scout and Guide Movement,—as a happy supplement to the educational work of the state," declared the former Minister of Education.

Canon Cody referred to the coining of words, and the significance of their origin,—as "it's cricket," or "it's not cricket," and continued, "There is another phrase: 'He is a good Scout.' Any institution which has produced such a phrase needs no apologies. No institution based on such a foundation as God, King and others can come to nought."

Preceding a reference to the father of Scouting, whose birthday the banquet celebrated, Canon Cody asked, "Who are the richest? What really constitutes wealth?" and gave as his own answer, "That fine richness of character that goes out to cheer and guide others."

"And measured by this standard," he declared, "Sir Robert Baden-Powell undoubtedly is the richest man in the world. The Scout Movement grew out

of a desire to influence others for good."

Canon Cody concluded by a reference to the Scoutmaster's unconscious influence. He recalled a story told by Mr. Mitchell earlier in the evening, of the Greek who observed his shadow on a wall, and deplored the fact that his shadow could reach heights which he himself could never hope to attain. "This shadow was influence—the outgoing of personality. How far the Scoutmaster's shadow fell—who could tell?"

The first conference session was held in the main dining-room of the Hotel London, under a colourful canopy of flags of some forty of the nations now in Scouting. District Scoutmaster Ellard of Fort William, as the delegate coming the greatest distance, was invited to open the session by breaking out the Union Jack. District Scoutmaster Frank Gray extended the welcome of London Scouters. The first subject taken up was

### SELECTION & TRAINING OF PATROL LEADERS—

Before the discussion was opened, Assistant Provincial Commissioner Irwin asked two questions which brought one of the interesting developments of the conference. The first was, "How many here have been Patrol Leaders?" the second, "How many began as Scouts?"

To the first question, nearly one-third of the gathering stood; to the second question, nearly one-half.

The showing seemed to confirm what has been regarded as one of the promising developments of Scouting in Ontario,—that it is approaching a point at which it will provide its own leaders, "trained from the ranks up."

There was some division of opinion regarding the selection of Patrol Leaders by the boys themselves, or the choosing of "natural gang leaders" by the Scoutmaster. Examples of the success of both methods were offered. A Brantford Scoutmaster told of taking over a troop in which he found poor discipline, caused chiefly by certain mischievous boys. He made these Patrol Leaders, and the troop began improving at once.

A Scoutmaster now on the staff of Upper Canada College told of a system of balloting for P.L.'s and assigning to patrols which gave good results. Each boy was asked to put down the name of a P.L. and a Second, and to place his own name at the bottom of the ballot. The P.L.'s and Seconds decided upon, the boys were then as far as possible placed in the patrol of the P.L. and Second for which they voted.

A Toronto leader, who had been forced into Scouting because his old Cubs would not leave him, told of creating two senior patrols in order to make room for new P.L.'s. The new patrols were known as the Eagle Feathers and the Tajas, and they were called upon for training work with the troop and pack.

Explaining Taja—this was an imaginary jungle character who refused for a long time to say, "Yes, sir." The story effectively carried the suggestion to the members of this patrol always

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# Scouting from Coast to Coast

THE design of Nelson's flagship, the Victory, appearing on the plate of the new Lord Nelson Hotel, Halifax, was the design of Patrol Leader Oswald Schenk of the 9th Halifax Troop, a student at the Nova Scotia School of Art.

All meetings of the 1st Asbestos Troop, Que., are run on a pre-arranged weekly schedule, a copy of which is in the hands of "all concerned" the week previous.

## Chatham Troops Favour Huts

With the opening of the new headquarters of the 3rd Chatham Troop, Ont., the majority of the local troops have their own home. The 1st Troop owns a headquarters in Tecumseh Park, the 2nd Troop a hut in McKeough Park, the 3rd a hut in Victoria Park, the 4th a cabin on Spencer Avenue, and the 7th a special room in the new Christ Church Hall. The 9th Troop, the new coloured troop, has the use of the old Woodstock Industrial building.

Interesting talks on natural history, illustrated by lantern slides, were given by Mr. A. H. Gallup to the boys of the 8th Saskatoon (St. John's) Troop who are working on the Naturalist Badge.

When A.S.M. Ernest Suter of London found himself located for a time by his business firm at Sandwich, Ont., he at once arranged to associate himself with the local troop, the 29th Border Cities, and was made Troop Leader.

## A Good Pack Parents' Night

At a Parents' Night of the Robertson Memorial Crees Pack of Winnipeg, Man., the evening opened with the great snake Kaa wandering around the Jungle. Demonstrations of Star work were given. Games and an investiture were followed by the presentation of prizes to the winning Green Six for the month. Prizes also were given the Brown Sixer and Seconder for special work done for the pack.

The 1st Kitchener Troop, Ont., is holding an airplane-model contest. Several successful models have been completed.

A visit by District Scoutmaster Dr. D. H. Atkey and several Scouts from the 6th and 1st St. Catharines' Troops provided a lively and interesting evening for the 1st Port Dalhousie Troop. Such visits always do.

## Again Showing that Scouting is "Making Good"

A fine record of public service provided an important part of the annual report presented by Acting District Commissioner Serace at the Annual Meeting of the Calgary District Association. Reports showing excellent progress in Cubbing, including the addition of a number of Lady Cubmasters and Assistants, was made by Mrs. Serace.

At a Court of Honour meeting of the 11th Hamilton Troop, held at the home of Scoutmaster Murray, P.L. Turner was elected Hike Chief and Scout Wood appointed his assistant. A party to celebrate the Scoutmaster's birthday followed.

A compass for the best kept patrol log book was presented to P.L. Bob Austin of the 1st Minto Troop, Man., at a Parents' and Friends' Night in Memorial Hall. In addition a first aid kit was awarded for neatness and general proficiency.

## Troop Benefit Movie by the C.G.E.

An evening of moving pictures showing the development of electricity was given in the Drummond St. Church auditorium, Granby, Que., for the benefit of the local Scout troop, by the Canadian General Electric Company.

## 2nd St. Thomas Gives Benefit Concert for 5th

The 2nd St. Thomas Troop of St. Luke's Church, together with the Pack and Rovers, put on a concert in Trinity Parish Hall for the benefit of the 5th Troop camp fund. Scout and Cub demonstrations, music and tableaux made up the programme.

The 3rd Guelph Troop has started a newspaper collecting campaign to raise funds for the summer's camp.

A course in story-telling for Montreal Wolf Cub leaders was given during February by District Cub Commissioner H. M. Jockel.

## When the 21st Border Cities Visited the 2nd

When the 2nd Border Cities had as their guests the boys of the 21st Troop, the visitors were divided among the 2nd patrols for a programme of games. During the evening Mr. Ryley of the Trussed Concrete Company addressed the boys and distributed an illustrated booklet descriptive of the company's plant. Following the council fire, the service patrol served refreshments.

New progress already is evident in New Brunswick following the creation of a Provincial Council and the appointment of LeBaron Bull of Fredericton as Provincial Commissioner. A new troop is reported organized at Sackville.

A February meeting of the 3rd London took the form of a hike to the Four Chimney playing fields, for a series of night-scouting games.

## Why Can't Your Troop Do the Same?

A very successful Lone Patrol—the Lone Beaver Patrol—has been developed at Eureka, N.S., with the help of leaders from New Glasgow. Recently District Commissioner E. W. Spurr, Troop Leader Maclean and Patrol Leader Morris of the 2nd New Glasgow Troop visited the Lone Beavers and passed four of the boys in the majority of the Second Class tests.

An "old time dance" followed a Cubbing demonstration at a Parents' Night of the 10th Border Cities Pack. The Mothers' Auxiliary served refreshments.

Two Scouts of the Radville, Sask., Troop, were granted their Carpenter's badge for having satisfactorily completed a table and library case for the troop clubroom.

## A Scout-Planned Ice Carnival

One of the annual winter events at Espanola is the Scout Ice Carnival. This year's carnival was organized on the same elaborate scale, with a long list of prizes for costumes and skating races. The prizes were donated by local merchants. A new contest event was a "chariot race," for boys and girls. Other events included single and relay races for boys and girls of various ages and fancy skating for grown-ups. A refreshment booth was looked after by four young ladies.

Saturday afternoons are being devoted by the Cubs of the 1st Galt Pack to instruction, at the Scout Hall, in such handicrafts as weaving, papier mache work and simple fretwork.

The 5th Saskatoon (Christ Church) Troop now have a den of their own on Avenue I, in addition to the Scout room in the church hall.

## Montreal Scoutcraft Exhibition Plans

Plans are under way for the holding of Montreal's biennial Scoutcraft Exhibition in the Montreal High School, April 4th to 6th. The programme will include a display of models illustrating every phase of Scout and Wolf Cub training, demonstrations in the gymnasium twice each evening, and an assault-at-arms comprising boxing, wrestling, and fencing.

The play, "His Father's Son," put on by the Salvation Army Scout Troop at the St. Thomas, Ont., Citadel, was so successful that it was repeated.

Following a Saturday afternoon "sealed orders" hike, the boys of the 67th Winnipeg (Robertson Memorial) Troop adjourned to the home of Mrs. Goodman, where a Bible class social was held.

## Windsor Scouts "Invited Back" to Special Church Service

Scouts of the 10th, 13th and 29th Border Cities Troops combined to attend a Sunday evening service at the Temple Baptist Church, Windsor, on the invitation of the pastor. In the course of his sermon the Rev. W. E. Matthews stressed the falsity of the frequent assertion that "every man has his price." He offered a Biblical example in Naboth, who refused to sell his vineyard to King Ahab. The pastor was so pleased with the demeanor of the Scouts that he announced his intention of inviting them again at an early date.



A toboggan hike and a camp fire on the banks of the Assiniboine River provided the preliminary and the setting for an impressive investiture ceremony of the 2nd Brandon Troop under Scoutmaster H. Booth. Weiners and rolls "rounded out" the event.

#### Add Women to Sydney Association Executive

At the annual meeting of the Sydney, N.S. Boy Scouts Association the officers elected for the ensuing year included, as treasurer, Miss E. A. Cunningham. It was announced that as soon as possible there would be added to the Executive Committee a woman representative for each Scout troop in the district. A report showing Scouting to be in a thriving condition was presented by District Commissioner W. C. Carter.

A balloon game of the 2nd Border Cities calls for the hitting by the balloon of certain articles at either end of the troop room.

#### A Week's News of One Live Troop

"One of the members (of the 4th Londoners), Scout George Hill, was confined to his bed with a broken leg, and the other Scouts have arranged to keep him supplied with fruit and

#### Hamilton Rovers Banquet

Twenty-two Rovers and two Rover Mates were present at the second annual banquet of the 1st Hamilton Rovers. Three candidates were invested and the Troop Charter renewal was presented by Honorary Rover Master and District Commissioner Van Someren. A report of the year's activities made special mention of the 1928 district Scout Toy Shop, which was directed by members of the troop.

At the end of a February Treasure Hunt the 6th Sherbrooke dropped in on the 2nd, to pay a surprise visit.

#### Pictou County Scouts Plant Trees

As noted in the annual report presented to the Pictou County Boy Scouts Association by District Commissioner E. W. Spurr, of New Glasgow, some 4,000 young pine trees were set out during the year by New Glasgow district Scouts and school children working under the direction of Scouts. The trees were set out at Forbes Lake, the city's water reservoir. Other service included the gathering of returns following the provincial election, an appreciation of which was noted in a letter from the Maritime Telegraph and Telephone

"Any of the other troops who want beating up kindly make a date, as we believe we have the champions right here."—Yorkton Scout News column. Explanation—the 5th Yorkton has been taking boxing lessons.

The Court of Honour of the 1st Londoners decided to procure Camp Fund Cards, so that each member of the troop could at once begin saving money for the summer's camp. The troop plans to build its own headquarters in the spring.

#### Another Hiking Clergyman S.M.

The 2nd New Waterford (St. Agnes' Parish) Troop, Scoutmaster the Rev. Fr. Tompkins, is setting a good example of winter hiking in their district. A January hike "followed the old trail through the woods in the direction of Low Point light house," where fires were made, a meal cooked, games played and a council fire held, with the usual songs and stories.

When the 26th Londoners lost the use of their headquarters for two weeks, the 4th promptly placed theirs at the 26th's disposal.

At the conclusion of their first year of Scouting, the 9th St. Catharines (St. George's) Troop issued service stars only to those having an attendance record of 65%, except when kept away through sickness or some other legal cause.

#### N.B. Scouts Demonstrate Humane Trapping

A new type of box traps is being demonstrated by St. John, N.B., Scouts on the trap line which they are maintaining under the auspices of the New Brunswick Fish and Game Protective Association. These traps are replacing the steel traps previously used, to avoid needless pain being suffered by the animals caught.

The P.L.'s of the 6th London successfully took charge of a February meeting of the troop, each leader directing a certain period of the meeting.

One of the coldest cold snaps of the winter did not prevent the hockey team of the 1st Baptist Troop, Edmonton, keeping a playing date with the Fort Saskatchewan Scout team. The return match was announced to be played in Edmonton on the following Saturday, "rain or shine, hot or cold."

#### 2nd St. Kitts' Probation Plan

At a Court of Honour meeting of the 2nd St. Catharines (Knox Church) Troop it was decided that all new members would go on probation from the date of joining for one month, and boys who had been in the Scouts before would have to be voted on first, and if accepted would then go on probation.

At an inspection of the 16th Regina (Jewish) Troop at the Hebrew School by President A. G. McKinnon, K.C., President of the District Council, each member of the Beaver Patrol, winners of a general proficiency contest, was presented with a silver Scout's ring.



SEVEN ski miles from home.—The 1st St. Anne's Troop, Que., at Lake of Two Mountains.

magazines, also lots of real scouty visits. The troop is working on the Pioneer Badge, and are learning a lot of extra knots necessary. The Court of Honour has decided that they are going to have the troop up to First Class by next fall."

#### An Old Scouts' Reunion Camp

Following the annual reunion supper of St. John's Cathedral Scouts of Winnipeg, a special troop meeting was held with the old boys in their former patrols. The suggestion that a reunion Scout camp be held during the coming summer was received with unanimous approval. The supper was served by the troop Ladies' Auxiliary.

#### Starting With a Patrol Supper

At 6.30 the Fox Patrol held a patrol supper. This was followed by the regular meeting at 7.15 . . . . A story illustrating various phases of Scout life was read. The Tenth Scout Law was repeated, as the one to be especially kept in mind during the coming week. The meeting was then brought to a close by flag lowering."—4th Sherbrooke Troop.

"The 26th (London) Troop Scout and Cub Mothers' Council will hold their next meeting at the home of the president, Mrs. Merrall, on Wednesday, February 6th, at 8 p.m."

Company. The toy shop was given special mention.

"A farewell howl was given Senior Sixer Lewis Jarvis and Second Robert Harris, who at a Going-Up ceremony will be received into the Scout troop. Two Cubs from All Saints' Pack, Ottawa, Ian and Malcolm Brown, were welcomed and taken into the Pack."—St. Paul's, Victoria, B.C.

#### Demonstrating Scout Cabin Possibilities

"The Glen Falls Boy Scout Lodge was a scene of bustling activity during the week-end, when close to 100 visitors spent enjoyable hours at the camp and in its vicinity, where the tobogganing and ski-ing were exceptionally good . . . . Several of the visiting Scouters stayed at the camp over Saturday night and spent the day enjoying outdoor activities. The improved facilities of the cabin, which include a completely equipped kitchen, two cooking stoves, a large open fire place and sleeping accommodation for 18 persons, are being used extensively."

For the second successive year the First Aider team of the 2nd Brandon (St. Matthew's) Pack won the district Rotary First Aid shield for Cubs.



As a step in the study of lashings and light bridge-building, one group of Scouts of the 14th Hamilton was detailed to make staves, from material provided, and another group set at cutting rope into four-foot lengths and whipping the ends.

#### 23rd Toronto's Concert Programme

The "March of the Wooden Soldiers" was an effective number at a concert of the 23rd Toronto at St. Clements' Parish Hall. The boys were dressed in long white trousers, red tail coats and pill-box hats, and carried wooden guns. The Scout play "A Street Boy's Honour" also was well received. Music was furnished by the troop orchestra, under A.S.M. McLaren.

The Byron Pack, at Byron Preventorium, near London, Ont., continues to carry on with keen interest, under Cubmaster Jack Lawton of the 15th London (Norwood Park) Pack. The little lads work at their tests "almost the same as the Cubs in the city, and they sure do like good stories."

An interesting address on the birds which inhabit their camp site at Puslinch Lake, given by Mr. Gerald Knechtel, the local bird authority, was enjoyed by the 1st Kitchener Troop at a regular meeting. Mr. Knechtel urged the erection of a feeding base on the camp site and consented to secure cost estimates.

#### Colours for Wapella Troop from I.O.D.E.

The Wapella, Sask., Troop was presented with the King's colours by the local I.O.D.E. at a dance given in the Town Hall under the auspices of the Scouts. Mrs. E. S. Zingg made the presentation. An address was given by Rev. P. B. Bell, president of the Local Association. The I.O.D.E. served refreshments.

According to the annual report of the Ontario Safety League for 1928, Toronto Scouts assigned for duty at the Safety League Exhibit "gave demonstrations each afternoon of first aid, resuscitation, bandaging, etc., and drew large crowds, who watched with interest the work of these Scouts."

At an annual birthday party of the 17th Hamilton a Scout ring was presented to Honorary Scoutmaster the Rev. H. A. Leake, who was leaving for St. Catharines. At the same time the Scoutmaster was presented with a fountain pen, in recognition of his services to the troop. The chairman of the Troop Committee presided.

#### A Charter Night

The 1st Trenton (St. George's) Troop, Ont., held a "Charter Night," which took the form of a Father and Son banquet served by the mothers at Canterbury Hall, and attended by over 125 boys and their dads. The chief speakers were Rev. P. Heywood and Scoutmaster T. H. Jarrett. A vote of thanks was extended the Radio Shop for the loan of a radio for the evening.

For the annual dance of the officers of the 50th Toronto Troop one side of the ballroom presented a realistic

Scout camp, with cedar trees and tents and small Scouts yarning around the camp fire. The hand-painted programmes bore the Scout crest and the troop totem pole. Supper was served at small tables by Scouts. On each table was a bouquet of red carnations in a black bowl, conforming with other decorations in the troop colours.

"At the last meeting of the 1st Troop (London) plans for this summer's camp were discussed. Messrs. A. Geunther and T. Whitney were elected president and vice-president respectively of the Camp Committee."

During January and February each of the seven Sherbrooke Troops held a Parents' Night.

#### A North Quadra Pack Meeting

"The meeting started with the Freeze game. First Star work was in charge of the Second Star Cubs, each one being responsible for a Tenderpad. Akela gave the Cubs working for the Second Star a signalling practice. The games played were Stand Up, Sit Down; Ball Throwing; Over and Under and Mother Hubbard Relay. The pow-wow this week was on the uniform."—North Quadra Pack, Victoria.

Badges and trophies won during the year by the 1st Prince Albert Sask., Troop were presented in St. Paul's church. Fire Chief Smith presented Fireman's badges, District Commissioner Smiley awarded Service Stars and Major Goldsmith and F. W. Wright of the Troop Association presented rank and proficiency badges.

The concert party of the 1st Galt Troop journeyed to Waterloo where they put on a minstrel show, aided by local entertainers, in the Town Hall. District Scoutmaster Wheeler of Galt gave an address on Scouting, and Waterloo Scouts provided a demonstration in signalling.

#### The Year's Service Record of the 1st Foam Lake

A busy and progressive year and a splendid record of public service was indicated by the annual report of Scoutmaster Gerald Nicholson of the 1st Foam Lake Troop, Sask. The report notes a successful Vestibule Training Course, the operation of a refreshment booth on Children's Own Day in June, for the directing committee; direction of the sale of poppies on Armistice Day, participation in the abovementioned services in the Town Hall on November 11th, a masquerade dance to raise funds to purchase Christmas toys for new settlers' children. The direction of the troop's affairs by a Court of Honour is noted.

The official opening of the new headquarters hut of the 3rd Chatham Troop was celebrated with a banquet provided by the boys. Games, competitions, presentation of service stars, charades and music were programme features. An address was given by District Commissioner A. S. Buesnel.

Following a Parents' Night of the 7th Sherbrooke, (St. Paul's Mission),

when a large number of parents witnessed the going-up and investiture ceremonies, the mothers present let it be known that they wished to co-operate by organizing a Mothers' Auxiliary.

#### A B.C. Medal-Presentation Evening

Displays of first aid, signalling, games and bridge building preceded the presentation of a Gilt Cross awarded Scout Alan Davies for life saving which took place before a large audience at St. Michael's Parochial Hall, Prince George, B.C. Scoutmaster Rev. de Pencier recounted the incident which gained the award for Scout Davies, and the medal was presented by Mr. G. Milburn, government agent. Refreshments were served by the boys to their guests and a camp-fire sing-song closed the evening.

At the first annual meeting of the Baden-Powell Club of Regina, Mr. W. J. E. Adamson was elected President for the current year. Provincial Commissioner Dr. A. H. Ball addressed the meeting.

Members of the 17th London Troop were guests of the 15th at a regular weekly meeting which featured the showing of lantern slides on the life and habits of birds.

#### A Programme-Making Competition

The Court of Honour of the 16th Halifax (Sacred Heart) Troop decided that each Patrol Leader should in turn prepare the programme for a troop meeting, the C. of H. later to decide which was the most instructive and interesting.

The Montreal Camp Committee already has received applications for dates and camp sites from a number of troops. It is expected that an increased number of the district units will this year camp on the Patrol System.

The 1st Souris Troop, Man., has been giving special attention during the winter to the Healthman's badge. Ten boys have qualified for and received the badge, and twelve more are expected to qualify shortly.

#### Other Organizations Provide First Aid Kits for 1st Galt

At the annual banquet of the 1st Galt Troop, which brought together a gathering of Scouts, Cubs, fathers and mothers and friends that filled Legion Hall, Junior and Senior St. John's Ambulance certificates were presented by Scoutmaster Wheeler to some twelve older Scouts and to members of the troop's Nesbitt Junior team. To each boy in addition was given a fine first aid kit, donated by the Legion, the Galt Burns Club and the Troop Committee.

At a council fire of the 78th Montreal (Woodlands) Troop former Scoutmaster G. Anderson of the 1st Cairo Troop gave an interesting talk on Scouting in Egypt.

Patrol activity write-ups for the 8th Vancouver (Pioneers) troop magazine are a feature of the troop patrol com-



petition, points being awarded news stories in the order of their excellence.

#### Long Cruise Badges for Montreal Sea Scouts

1st Montreal Sea Scouts gave a demonstration to their parents at Roslyn School under Sea S.M. Buchanan. Sea Scout Commissioner L. R. Thomson presented six long-cruise badges to Sea Scouts who had cruised over 400 miles. Refreshments were served by the Sea Scouts.

An appeal was made in the *Victoria Times* for a leader for the North Quadra Scout Troop. During the last ten months the boys have lost three Scoutmasters, as a result of business changes. They are carrying on by themselves until a leader can be found.

The Mothers' Auxiliary of the 1st Galt Troop, Ont., one of the model organizations of the province, has just installed a fine new furnace in the troop headquarters.

#### 8th Vancouver P.L.'s Move Up to "Make Room"

The older boys of the 8th Vancouver (Pioneers) Troop have been formed into a second Rover Patrol, to make room for advancement among the younger boys of the troop. At the first meeting of the new patrol officers were elected and programmes discussed, and a debate held, "Resolved, that Seconds should be chosen from the Patrol and not from the Troop."

Reports presented at a vestry meeting at St. Alban's Church, Hamilton, included a report by A.S.M. Johnson upon the year's work of the church Scout troop, the 17th Hamilton. The report was warmly commended by the Honorary Scoutmaster, the Rev. H. A. Leake.

The 1st Nelson Troop now has a staff of 13 instructors in various crafts; first aid work, map reading, Tenderfoot, Second Class and First Class work, electricity, telegraphy, basketball and gym.

#### Community Service Bars for Halifax Scouts

Having recently completed 500 hours of community service, Scout Geo. Thompson of the 17th Halifax Troop, was presented with his 9th bar. Three other 17th boys have also won distinction in community work. They are S. Bendell, 3rd bar; G. Thompson and W. L. MacNamara, 6th bars.

#### Demonstrate Fire Drill

At a joint meeting of the 17th Hamilton Troop and Pack the boys were entertained by the Most Noble Order of Crusaders. Regular programme features were put on and the Scouts gave a display of fire drill and knot-tying as taught in the course recently given by Honorary Field Commissioner Bishop of the Provincial Fire Marshall's office.

Each Scout chose a Cub partner for the joint "bun feed" of St. Mary's Troop and two Cub Packs, Victoria, B.C. Games of Duster Hockey, Balloon Pass It On and various relays were

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played. A Going-Up ceremony was put on, followed by a sing-song and a candy shower.

The 10th Border Cities Cub Pack, of the Wyandotte School, Windsor, is given its First Aider work by the school nurse, its art work by the arts teacher and its handicraft by the manual training instructor.

Through the use of Honorary Field Commissioners who visit troops incidental to business trips, British Columbia has been solving its district visiting problems at a remarkably low expenditure. During 1928 such trips totalled 10,650 miles, at a cost of \$360 and at an outlay from regular funds of only \$10.80. The balance was made up of funds resulting from Scout registration and the Dominion Headquarters' special fund for financing Unit Training Courses. The result has been an increase in Scout membership of 9 per cent, chiefly in rural centres.

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to be courteous, and to habitually say, "Yes, sir," etc.

A Paisley Scoutmaster, a clergyman, had found the Court of Honour most helpful in training P.L.'s, "when you can get the boys to discuss their problems freely. This is not always easy." He occasionally reads from "Letters to a Patrol Leader," and discusses these.

"Next, have them develop their own patrol meetings during the week. I found this practice of great help. The meetings may be short; only Scouting should be discussed."

Continued to April

## Abbey Dawn Made Game Preserve

BY a provincial Order-in-Council, Abbey Dawn, the home of Wallace Havelock Robb near Kingston, Ont., and its surrounding 300-acres has been declared a crown game preserve. A detailed announcement in the Kingston *Whig-Standard* invites Boy Scouts and Girl Guides to co-operate in various ways, including by the contribution of wild-fruit shrubs and trees on which the ruffed grouse and other birds feed.

## Kent Scouts Visit Hungary

IN continuance of a travel practice of some years, a party of Scouts from Kent, England, will visit Hungary at Easter. Included in the contingent will be two Scouts whose expenses are to be paid by *The Kent Messenger*, as winners of a Scout essay competition conducted by that newspaper.

The party will be the guests of the Hungarian Scouts in their camp at Ujpest Island, near Budapest. A camp bed, in buildings specially set apart for their use, will be provided for each person, and meals will be served in a restaurant in Budapest, so as to leave plenty of time for sight-seeing. The party, which includes Rovers, is limited to 150.



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

# THE DUFFELL BAG

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

## "Patrol Fathers"

EACH member of the Troop Committee of the Fifth Oshawa Troop is a "Patrol Father," and as a special duty "fathers" one of the patrols in the troop. He keeps in touch with the patrol and its members, watches their progress and development and is prepared to give assistance when and where needed, always, of course, with the co-operation of the Scoutmaster. Once each four weeks the Patrol Father attends a troop meeting. In this way this Oshawa Troop is keeping its committeemen in close contact with the work it is doing—and the committeemen enjoy it, too.

## Could You Match This Activities Announcement?

TONIGHT, February 4th, 7.15 p.m., Parents' Night, joint meeting with Troop and Going-up Ceremony.

Wednesday, February 6th, 8 p.m., Pack Committee meeting to be held in Headquarters.

Thursday, February 7th, 7 p.m., Red and White sixes visit Cub Foncault; 8 p.m., Mothers' Auxiliary special meeting in Headquarters.

Saturday, February 9th, 2.30 p.m., hike for all members of the Pack.

—"Week's Activities,"  
2nd Cub Pack, in  
Sherbrooke Record.

## A Scout Memorial

THE Scout trail sign of a circle with a dot in the middle, meaning "I have gone home," is to be inscribed upon the pedestal of a granite and bronze memorial which the Kingston District Boy Scouts Association, England, is about to erect in honour of the 69 members of the Association who gave their lives in the Great War. The memorial is to consist of a life size figure of a Boy Scout in bronze, and is to be erected in a field between Oxshott and Cobham, where there is to be a permanent camping ground for Kingston Scouts.

## The Grand Howl

A correspondent who has done much pack visiting tells me that he has noticed that the Cubs in many packs do not throw up their heads for the Howl. Will Cubmasters examine their conscience on this matter? Just look at the illustrations in the Handbook. The picture of the boy shows him in the preparatory position—ready to start, but not yet howling—but the picture of the wolf just above shows you the position during the howl.

The very delightful picture which is reproduced on this page (page 5, January Scouter) is an excellent illustration of how much keenness and enthusiasm will be put into the Grand Howl when the Cubs really enter into it and realise its meaning. And, after all, the wolf does throw up his head to howl, doesn't he? You have only to look at his great-great-grandson, your favourite dog, singing to a barrel-organ, to realize that.

—The Scouter.

## A Troop Motto in Verse

Boy Scouts, this motto should  
Ever be with those who would  
Pluck and coolness both possess;  
Remember it in time of stress.  
Early wisdom sows its seeds:  
Place your footsteps where it leads,  
Always bearing it in mind;  
Ready always to be kind;  
Ever cautious, show no fear.  
Do not forget this motto clear.

—5th Peterborough, Ont.

## The Duke of Connaught Shield

COPIES of Conditions and Entry Form for H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught's Challenge Shield for competition in 1929 may now be secured by application to Provincial Headquarters, excepting in the case of Ontario. Ontario Scout leaders are requested by Provincial Headquarters to apply direct to Dominion Headquarters, 172 Wellington Street, Ottawa.

## Scout Dates

### March

- 1st—St. David's Day.
- 3rd—3rd Sunday in Lent.
- 10th—4th Sunday in Lent.
- 17th—St. Patrick's Day.
- Passion Sunday.
- 21st—Vernal Equinox. First day of Spring. Watch for Equinoctial storm.
- 24th—Palm Sunday.
- 28th—Holy Thursday.
- 29th—Good Friday.
- 31st—Easter Sunday.

### During March

Hold hikes and all outdoor sports as long as the snow and ice and cold weather last.  
Begin talking about gardens and make plans for Clean-Up Week.

## Rovering!

THE following story appeared in The Ashton-under-Lyme Reporter, of England:—

"In a colliery town there lived a collier, who was out of work, with his wife and family of three little children. He tried hard to find work, but being unable to obtain this, sank all his savings in getting a field and taking up market gardening. Before he had got any return from this, however, he was knocked down by a motor lorry and killed. His wife could do very little, and the only solution seemed to be the workhouse. Then a young man called to see her. He said 'Whatever you do, keep your allotment and garden. I am a Rover Scout, and my crew have decided to work your garden and market the produce for you till your children are old enough to work and help.'"

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## The Registration Card May Decide

WHEN one of your older boys leaves home to "seek his fortune," the fact that he is carrying an up-to-date Registration Card may decide whether or not he is given a particularly desirable position and start in life. No character card has such universal recognized value. So make sure all your boys are registered at Dominion Headquarters. The fifty-cent returns to your province for field work.

## From a Successful Pack's Annual Report

FROM the annual report of the 2nd Sherbrooke Pack:—Regular meetings held during the year, 48. Joint meetings with the troop, 4. Hikes of various kinds, 12. District parades, 6. A successful camp at Mirror Lake in July. Athletics, won Asbestos Silver Trophy for general athletics on Victoria Day. Badges and Stars, 52. Funds raised, \$110.73. Expenditures, \$108.28. Membership, 25 Cubs, 3 leaders.

## Compass Ball

HERE is a good compass game developed by the 6th Sherbrooke Troop: Troop in circle, each Scout representing a compass point. Scoutmaster starts the game by throwing a ball to a certain Scout, at the same time calling out a compass point other than that held by the catcher,—"North North-East!" The Scout catching the ball at once throws it to Scout North North-East, at the same time calling out another compass point,—"and so on. May be made a patrol competition by deducting points for mistakes.

## The Troop as a Useful Community Institution

PUBLIC service activities recorded in the annual report of Scoutmaster (and A.D.C.) C. F. Kempton at the annual meeting of the Moose Jaw District Association: Provided ushers for three Christmas season matinees at Capitol Theatre; visited hospital each Sunday with magazines and papers; ushered Musical Festival three days at Armory; cut a path three-quarters of a mile through dense brush in Wild Animal Park; put in two days pulling wild sunflowers in park; Toy Shop; made and are operating a public skating rink.

Presumably it was in recognition of such service the city rebated taxes on the lot occupied by the Scout Hall.

The financial report showed some \$300 raised in various ways by the Troop Ladies' Auxiliary, and \$80 raised by a troop fair.

A long list of gifts for the furnishing of the Troop Hall, which was completed during the year, and opened by the Hon. S. J. Latta, included such items as a piano, two open fireplaces, furnace, etc.

All of which again demonstrates the support which may be secured by continued good Scouting and public service.