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The Jamboree Year Toy Shops



ONE of the middle links of the Toy Shop Chain—*Fort William and Port Arthur.* This year the boys are taking care of 75 new settlers' children, in addition to local distribution.

OUR Boy Scout chain of Santa Claus "branch toy shops" is again in operation across Canada, working to prevent the Christmas morning tragedy of the empty stocking for the children of poor families locally, and those of new farm settlers not yet in a position to ensure a visit from Old Saint Nick. The actual number of shops in our sixth annual chain is not yet known. At the time of going to press 64 were announced in operation or preparation. When all are reported it is expected that the chain will reach or pass last year's total of 92.

Kiddy-Settler Lists

"Kiddy Settler" lists were available much earlier this year, and in consequence it was possible to provide Toy Shops with requested quotas as rapidly as the request-forms were received. Some very generous allotments were called for.

Among the early shops asking names were:—Prince Rupert, B.C., offering to look after "any new settlers in this district"; Saskatoon, "as many as you like"; Sherbrooke, Que., asking 100; Kingston, Ont., 200; Halifax, 400; 1st Moose Jaw, 50; 1st Minto, Man., 25; 1st Perth, Ont., 25; Ft. William and Port Arthur 75; Truro, N.S., 50; 1st Red Deer, Alta., 40; 1st Preston, Ont., 25; Oakville, Ont., 100; Kelowna Scouts and Guides, "whatever you ask of us, if possible"; 9th Halifax Cubs, "One large family."

Individual troops and Cub packs taking names according to their resources included the 1st Prince Albert, Sask.; 2nd and 3rd Guelph, Ont.; 41st Toronto; 1st Moscow, Ont.; 1st Radville, Sask.; 4th Border Cities, Ont.; 1st Bury, Que.; 1st Ft. Qu'Appelle, Sask.; Oshawa Troops; 4th Regina, Sask.; 1st Kincaid, Sask.; 1st Braeside, Ont.; 1st Lachute, Que.

ONE of the first Scout Toy Shops to open was St. Johns, Que. It began operations Nov. 4th under the patronage of His Honour Mayor George St. Germain, in excellent quarters fur-

nished by P. T. Leagre & Co., one of the largest local branch stores.

Leave it to the West to think up new ideas. The Vancouver shop appealed for "ladies' old silk stockings which will be used in making of cuddly dolls." Scoutmaster Paul E. Sykes is again in charge.

"The most important business discussion was the Christmas Turn, the Boy Scouts Christmas Toy Shop," at an October meeting of the Halifax Scouters' Club. "Ways and means were discussed, and plans made for having the shop in operation early in November." Scoutmaster R. O. Cutler was again named shop director.


Duncan and Quamichan Scouts, of Vancouver Island, are again in the Chain, assisted by Quamichan Guides and Rangers.

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A SAMPLE of the cards being used in the eight parcel display store-windows of the Ottawa Toy Shop.





Help Prevent
the
Xmas Tragedy
of the
EMPTY STOCKING
for the Kiddies
of a
New Settlers Family
spending their first Xmas in Canada

Scouts and Girl Guides prepared the Gifts. Share the Xmas GOOD TURN

PICK A PARCEL
and
PAY THE POSTAGE,

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D Y B!

THE playing of Scout Santa Claus to new settlers' children is more than a good turn "all in the day's work" of the Scout or leader. It is in the case of each "New Canadian" family a small but definite service to Canada; each family parcel a practical message of cheery interest and friendliness on the day of all days, on which old friends and old associations seem lonesomely far away. For the happiness of the kiddies on Christmas morning is the happiness of all.

In certain cases, where disappointment or misfortune has come, it is conceivable that the unexpected bundle left by Santa Claus may prove the deciding factor in determining discouraged parents to face their problems with new determination and hopefulness,—to stick and see things through to success.

It is a rare privilege, this that is now given us each year by the Soldiers' Settlement and Land Settlement Board, and the Immigration Departments of the Canadian National and Canadian Pacific railways.

So let us again make sure, each for himself, that we can say on Christmas morning, borrowing the cry of the Cubs, that we have "DOBBED" our best to ensure that nowhere in all the wide stretches of Canada is there a little New Canadian gazing with tear-streaked cheeks at an empty stocking!

D Y B!

Freedom of London for Chief Scout

A YET further special honour came to the Chief Scout, following the Jamboree, when before a notable gathering at Guildhall, he received the Freedom of the City London, in a golden box. In accepting the honour the Chief Scout, with his accustomed modesty, declared that he could not accept the honour as for himself personally, but as a representative of the Boy Scouts and Girl Guide movements. The golden casket he said he would value all his life, and would bequeath to the Boy Scouts Association, as a reminder of the honour done the Movement on this occasion.

Jamboree Scouts and Leaders:—
3x5½ Jamboree photo sets may be had as follows: Set No. 1, 20 pictures in Canada, \$1.75. Set No. 2, 20 pictures at Arrow Park, \$1.75. C. S. Abrahams, 3300 Angus St., Regina, Sask.

New Premier of Sask. on Scouting

DR. J. T. M. Anderson, Premier of Saskatchewan, and at one time Provincial Commissioner of the Boy Scouts Association, is still a strong supporter of Scouting. In a recent letter published in *The Star-Phoenix* of Saskatoon, he declared, "The Boy Scout Movement needs no praise from me. The thousands and thousands of virile and sturdy men, morally keen and physically strong, in every part of our country, testify to the good accomplished by this great world-wide organization. To the men and women of Saskatoon I would say lend your moral and financial assistance. The investment is worth while."

Committeeman—Scout!

IN Toronto the other day a fine big sedan stalled on Yonge St. in the midst of holiday shopping crowds. The little chauffeur got out to push the car across the street car tracks. He was too small. No one came to help—until a big, active, six-foot man stepped quickly across the street, planted himself behind the car and with a big push started the car over the tracks onto the down grade beyond.

On the big man's coat was a Scout Committeeman's badge!



A
Merry Xmas
of

Many Merry
Good Turns

While the 6th Scout Law does not specifically mention "kindness to wild animals," the boys of the 1st and 7th Moose Jaw troops read it that way. Last year they took care of a bear cub in the rear of their troop hall, until her quarters were ready in Moose Jaw's "Wild Animal Park." This summer they had as camp mascots a forest fire-orphaned baby moose, which they helped bring up on a bottle, and a young goat which brought itself up on Scout stockings, shorts, etc.

An address by Lieut.-Gov. Bruce at the conference banquet and a civic luncheon presided over by Ald. Dean, in the absence of Mayor Malkin, marked the Second Biennial Conference of Scout Leaders of British Columbia, held at Vancouver over the Thanksgiving week-end, Nov. 9-11. On Monday the leaders attended the Armistice memorial services in Victory square, and Scoutmasters rendered first aid to a number of persons who were overcome in the crowd. (Digest of discussions later.)



While giving special attention to Toy Shop work do not overlook other Christmas Good Turns of all kinds.

Our Jamboree Year Christmas objective—at least one new settler's family remembered by each Scout Troop in Canada.

Nearly every central European nationality is represented in a troop recently organized at the Church of All Nations, Montreal. The troop is being temporarily staffed by Rovers.

Scouts were given entire charge of the "Midway" throughout the week of Montreal's "Produced-in-Canada" Exhibition, and handled the many booths with marked success.

Col. E. S. Wigle, K.C., District Commissioner for the Border Cities, was guest of honour at the November luncheon of the Empire Club of Canada at the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, and spoke on the Jamboree.

The cooking of "hot dogs" for over 400 hungry Wolf Cubs was the contribution of Mayor George H. Jones to the success of the big fall Border Cities Cub rally at the baseball park, Amherstburg.

The instruction of older Scouts in fire fighting by local fire chiefs is approved by the Ontario Provincial Fire Marshall, as a means of developing auxiliary crews which may be called upon when needed.

Scout Wm. R. Burnett's story of the Jamboree, contributed in diary form to *The Charlottetown Guardian*, has been published as a booklet, under the title, "A Boy Scout's Diary of the Great Jamboree." The young author has made a most readable story of his experiences and observations.

Vancouver has a notable troop in the 33rd,—comprised of two 8-boy patrols, all of whom are deaf, dumb and blind. The attentiveness, determination and skill of these boys is described as remarkable. Six have passed the Second Class tests, and five more are about ready to pass.

Scouting in England has suffered a loss in the death of the Earl of Meath, Commissioner for Ireland. Lord Meath was an outstanding example of the age limit of Scouting leadership as being "18 to 80." He took the Summer Course at Gilwell when 79, and shared the work and games with the other Scout leaders. Not inappropriately, the great Jamboree was his last Scout gathering.

THE JAMBOREE YEAR TOY SHOPS

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The Kingston, Ont., shop, under the direction of S. M. Keith Caverley, which offered to take care of fifty families, is financing its operations entirely "on its own"—without service club or other assistance. The necessary funds were raised by an advertised Scout Work Day, when the boys offered to do all kinds of odd jobs at 25c per hour.

The Montreal shop will again be largely staffed by Rovers, under the direction of a committee including Rover Commissioner French and Scoutmasters C. E. C. Rush and H. T. Parker.

The 9th and 25th Border Cities troops, after a toy shop talk by Scoutmaster Weir at a joint council fir, arranged to handle the toy collection in their district. The two troops were divided into three groups, to distribute cards inviting householders to contribute old toys, these to be called for on a certain day.

Some of the early demands upon the Ottawa Toy Shop were taken care of from a contribution of several large boxes of toys, chiefly shop worn dolls, from the Metropolitan Stores. A year-later result of publicity.

Chatham, Ont., troops are this year operating independent repair shops and turning the completed articles over to Toy H.Q., in troop competition. Credits are given for each toy, book or doll, and at the conclusion the troop with the highest per-boy average will be guests at a spread provided by the other troops.

The Oshawa City Council gave the Scout Toy Shop exclusive use of the town market building from Nov. 1st to December 25th.

The 1st Glanworth, Ont., Cubs are making some toys for the Children's Memorial Hospital at London. The Scouts collected and sold paper to raise funds to provide hampers for a number of needy families of the district.

The Ottawa '29 Toy Shop organization consists of a Central Chairman, and department sub-committee handling respectively Collection, Sorting, Dolls, Books, Mechanical Toys, Wooden Toys, Painting, Selecting and Packing. Each department has its own chairman. Specified troops are placed at the disposal of departments to which their Scoutmasters are attached. The chairman of Collecting and Sorting can call upon any troop for Scouts as required. As usual, Guides under District Secretary Symes are handling the Doll Department, and older Cubs the Books. Rovers supplied chairmen for four sub-committees. A special committee was appointed to arrange for window space in eight stores in different sections of the city, where settlers' parcels may be displayed, with window-cards inviting passers-by to step in and pay postage on a package.

This came from the 9th Halifax Wolf Cub Pack: "The Sixers of the Pack were so interested in the District Scout Toy Shop that we decided that we would do our share by taking care of one large family of say six or eight persons. The Pack has already done several acts of service to others, so we are following this up by doing this small part toward making the Toy Shop Chain stronger. Wishing the other Shops in the Dominion good luck. I shall be expecting the names of the members of the family in the next week or so. Yours in service, Dan Spry, C.M."

Some Toy Shop Reminders

Working Equipment.—Most tools can be supplied by the boys, or may be borrowed. They should include a vice or two, and a blow torch for soldering. The latter must be used only by an experienced person; if not by a member of the Toy Shop staff, the voluntary services of a plumber or tinsmith usually can be secured.

The majority of Shops report paint and brushes donated.

The miscellaneous supplies necessary will include:—Glue; assorted nails, and finishing nails; screws; stove bolts; wire; scraps of sheet tin and sheet iron; short ends of planed lumber; paint, (red, black, yellow, green, grey, white). A lot of this may be donated; in any case they do not make a large item, costing not more than \$10.00 per thousand toys repaired.

If suitable stout work tables are not available this problem may be solved by borrowing 2x8 or 2x10 planking from a lumber firm, and placing the boards across packing cases. No unnecessary nails should be used; care should be taken that all nails are withdrawn before the planks are returned.

Tables and floor of "Paint Departments" should be protected by heavy paper or other suitable covering.

Working Hints.—Have your Scout workmen concentrate on volume rather than the making of a very elaborate job on a few toys. Kiddies are

not critical as to how a thing is repaired, so long as it works and lasts; and a touch of paint will take care of appearances. Don't fuss too much with mechanical toys in an endeavour to make them work. Cut out the works, and some kiddie will equally enjoy pulling it around on a string.

Doll Hints.—If not yet under way, the Doll Dept. should be started as soon as possible. The laundry work, repairing or making of new dresses takes a considerable time. And it is especially desirable that the dolls going out "look their best."

If dolls' faces are badly scarred, don't try to restore an Anglo-Saxon complexion. With black or brown paint turn them into nigger or Indian dolls. Children just love these.

Help with doll work may in some cases be had from sewing classes in the public schools.

Shop Organization.—Do not overlook this. Even if yours is but a small troop shop, appoint P.L.'s or other capable Scouts as heads of various "departments"—Collection, Sorting, Mechanical Repairs, Wooden Toys, Painting, Books. Dolls of course will be handled by Girl Guides if available. Larger shops have been most effectively directed by Rovers. Each department of one of last year's most efficient shops was headed by a Rover who was an expert in the particular work involved. If leaders of suitable experience are not available, a Directing Committee of practical craftsmen may be formed,—a painter, tinsmith, cabinet maker, bookbinder, etc.

Service Club Backing.—The backing of service clubs usually can be secured readily, once the purpose of the Toy Shop is understood. In some centres these clubs have supplied nuts and candy, financed the mailing of parcels to settlers' children, furnished cars or trucks for collecting toys from schools, and for local distribution the day before Christmas.

The Local Papers.—The majority of our largest and most successful shops are operated in conjunction with the Christmas cheer project of leading local newspapers, such as the Van-

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ROVERS and Rangers co-operated in the running of an unusually successful Toy Shop at Calgary last year. Each department was headed by a Rover or Ranger professionally expert in the particular work involved. The shop director declared he had nothing to do.—Courtesy Calgary Herald.

THE CAMP CHIEF'S PAGE

About Passenger Pigeons

THE Province of Quebec Association for the Protection of Fish and Game, with headquarters at 360 St. James St. West, Montreal, is endeavouring to secure detailed information regarding the now extinct "Passenger Pigeon." In the hope that this may be secured from the old people of the province an appeal has been sent out in the form of a questionnaire, published in certain newspapers. Quebec and Ontario Scouts, especially those in the smaller communities, and hiking city Scouts, might aid considerably in the inquiry by securing answers to the questions from old folks whose attention had not been attracted to the subject.

The questions follow:—

Range

1st.—Give location of breeding colonies or pigeon roosts which were personally known to you.

2nd.—How large were the colonies?

3rd.—Have you any information as to how far north the wild pigeons were found?

Nesting

4th.—Did the pigeons nest in the same nesting sites year after year?

5th.—Did they use these sites as roosting places after the nesting season was over prior to migration or did small flocks wander from place to place before migration was started?

6th.—Have you any knowledge as to the number of eggs usually found in a nest?

7th.—How close together were the nests built?

8th.—How far from the ground were the nests built?

9th.—In what kind of trees were the nests built?

10th.—In what sort of positions in the trees were the nests placed?

11th.—Of what material were the nests built?

12th.—Were the nests lined? If so, by what material?

13th.—How long did it take for the eggs to hatch?

14th.—How long after hatching before the young left the nest?

15th.—How many breeds did a pair of pigeons raise in a season? (This may be suggested by the seasons at which eggs were observed in the nest.)

Food

16th.—What did the pigeons eat in the spring? In Summer? In Autumn?

17th.—Do you know what the young were fed?

18th.—Were the pigeons destructive to crops? If so, to what crops and at what seasons of the year?

Migration and Numbers

19th.—About what date in the spring did the pigeons arrive at points known to you? If definite dates can not be given, indicate time by reference to some seasonal happening, such as leafing of certain trees or planting of some crop.

20th.—When did they leave in the fall?

21st.—Describe the flight of the pigeon mentioning any peculiarity.

22nd.—Describe the arrangement of the flocks in migration. Were they uniformly distributed or were there smaller flocks, separated from other flocks by open spaces? (Illustrate by diagram.)

23rd.—To what extent did their numbers vary from year to year?

24th.—Was the increase or decrease in their numbers regular? If so, about how often did large pigeon years occur?

25th.—Were any animals noticed to be more numerous in "pigeon years" than when pigeons were scarce?

Destruction

26th.—Did they appear to have any natural enemies?

27th.—Have you any knowledge of diseases or epidemics among them?

28th.—Were they killed for sale? If so, where marketed and at what price?

29th.—To what extent in your locality were they killed for food, sport or other purpose?



SCOUTS of one of the live prairie troops—the 1st Dahinda, Sask.—off on their First Class journey.

30th.—Give some indication of the numbers so marketed?

31st.—By what means were they caught or hunted?

32nd.—Do you know of anyone who

has a pigeon net such as were used to catch wild pigeons?

Miscellaneous

33rd.—In what ways were they prepared for the table?

34th.—Was any use made of the feathers?

35th.—Mention any other use that was made of the pigeons.

36th.—Describe the call, song or notes of the wild pigeon.

KEEP IN MIND DOMINION REGISTRATION—IT'S VALUABLE TO EVERY BOY

THE ONTARIO ROVER MOOT

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candidate return, and the Rover Presentation is enacted in all its simple solemnity,—doubly impressive, against the historical background of the preceding scenes. The final tableau showed a Rover on the crest of a hill, reaching a hand to an ascending Scout, who in turn was leading a Cub.

Rover Mate Meredith Jones of the 2nd St. Thomas Crew presided at the Moot dinner, Saturday evening, with Rev. Canon Andrew making the invocation. The speakers included His Honour Mayor Stokes, Provincial Commissioner H. A. Laurence, Rev. Mr. Dobson, J. W. Peart, and Mr. John A. Stiles, who spoke on the Jamboree.

Armistice Day ceremonies were not overlooked. At 11 o'clock the Rovers gathered round the flagpole in front of the school, and held a two minutes silence. Inside again they sang "Abide With Me." In the afternoon St. Thomas Rovers, with Scouts, placed a wreath on the soldiers' monument.

A summary of the discussions of the Moot was presented by the Assistant Provincial Commissioner, Frank C. Irwin.

One of the popular visitors at the Moot was Rover Eric Marum of Frankfurt-on-Main, Germany. Expressing himself appreciatively of the friendliness shown him, Rover Marum declared "the Scout spirit demonstrated here would be shown any Canadian Scout who might visit his home town."

DURING THE FALL AND WINTER MAKE SCOUTING MORE INTERESTING & EASIER—BY TAKING

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Enroll now by sending 50 cents to The Dominion Camp Chief, 172 Wellington Street, Ottawa, to cover cost of notebook, mailing envelopes and stamps.

Scouting from Coast to Coast

THE 1st Radville Troop, Sask., now has its Rover patrol, under the leadership of Rev. F. M. Joy, rector of St. Ethelreda's Church.

Three Scouts from the 1st Fort Erie Troop, Ont., are assisting Cubmaster Tinnin with the recently organized but full-size 1st Fort Erie Cub Pack.

15th Vancouver Find Lost Child
Scouts of the 15th Vancouver Troop, under Scoutmaster Labron, were called by the police to help search for a five-year-old boy who had been lost in Stanley Park. The troop was divided into three groups, each headed by a police officer. The group headed by Constable H. H. Duggan were successful, finding the little chap asleep in the woods.

"The game of 'Rodeo' was introduced under guaranteed western rules and proved quite strenuous. Various events, such as broncho racing, lassoing the wild steer, were tried out with humorous results."—90th Montreal

Special attention is being given the singing of Brandon, Man., Cub Packs, under the leadership of District Cubmaster Ratcliffe. The packs are visited in turn.

90th Montreal First Aid Game
"The ambulance 'victim' this week suffered concussions and a cut head but the Fox Patrol handled the case quite effectively and showed a distinct improvement over other patrols on previous occasions. It is to be hoped that future 'Accidents' will show more attention to the little details which count so much in First Aid work."—90th Montreal.

7th Moose Jaw Presented Flag at Indoor Campfire

A new troop flag was presented by the Troop Association to the 7th Moose Jaw (St. Barnabas), of which the Rector, Rev. F. Pike is Scoutmaster, at a fall social evening and indoor camp fire. The camp fire programme included knot competitions and first aid.

Patrols of the 26th Toronto Troop compete annually for a trophy known as the Old Boys' Shield.

1st Dundurn Already After 1930 Camp Funds

Forty dollars toward their next summer's camp fund was realized by the forward-looking 1st Dundurn Troop, Sask., at a fall display and concert by Scouts and Cubs. An effective humorous number was the portrayal of a small town drug store by Scoutmaster Nicholson and Cubmaster Evans. During an intermission Secretary-Treasurer Wilkinson of the Troop Committee "made clear certain points in Scout administration, etc.

"Just a real good time with former comrades," was the reunion slogan of

Scouts and leaders past and present called to the Old Boys' Banquet of the 7th Toronto, held in St. John's Church hall, Humberstone.

One of the Jamboree Scout talks recently noted in the press was that of Troop Leader Owen Williams before the 2nd Brandon Pack, in which he had started as a Cub.

Charter Hanging Ceremony for 1st Anyox, B.C.

The hanging of their charter on the wall was made an impressive little ceremony at the opening of the newly renovated Scout Hall of the 1st Anyox Troop, B.C. "After a few songs, Mrs. Gale, wife of the Scoutmaster, was called forward to hang the charter in the place chosen." A. S. M. Carvern then called S. M. and Mrs. Gale to face the front and P.L. London on behalf of the troop presented them with a beautiful silver plate. An investiture completed a memorable evening.

Scout Hallowe'en parties were as popular as ever on that fun-making evening, as shown by widely scattered newspaper clippings. Most of them were costume affairs.



LAKE Whitney, Alta. Scout vs. Guide first aid race. Each patrol had to locate its patient by sound—groans, etc.

Making Room for Younger P.L.'s
Several of the older Patrol Leaders of St. Jude's Troop, West Saint John, N.B., were promoted to the position of Instructor, "in order to give a number of the younger lads a chance to exercise the duties of P.L."—Something to be borne in mind by Scoutmasters of other large troops.

At the organization meeting of a Local Scout Association for the City of Oshawa and district, held at the Y. and attended by a good number of citizens and Scout leaders, Mr. Charles Mundy, publisher of the Oshawa Daily Times, was elected President. Reports showed eight active troops in the city.

Newfoundland Scouts' Hallowe'en

St. John's, Nfld., Scouts celebrated Hallowe'en by two well planned evenings given by the 1st and 4th Troops, under Scoutmasters Canning and Foran. The rooms had been decorated in advance, unknown to the boys; and coloured lights, paper caps, streamers, etc., added to the atmosphere of fun. After refreshments, a programme was carried out around indoor campfires.

During the evening a Scout axe was awarded the Wolf Patrol of the 4th Troop, as winners of the October patrol competition, and a pocket compass to the Scout having the best attendance record. At the 1st Troop party prizes were awarded the two Scouts contributing most to the evening's fun. Parcels of the good things were sent out to three Scouts unable to be present, through illness.

Regina Jamboreeans Journey to Craven

District Commissioner Moore and several Regina Scouts, including P.L. George Moore and S.M. Clifford Abrahams of Regina's delegation to the Jamboree, were guests at a well attended meeting of the Craven, Sask., Local Association at I.O.O.F. Hall. P. L. Moore told of the Jamboree and S.M. Abrahams showed an interesting series of pictures.

Sudbury, Ont., Scouts won fourth place for a Scout float with which they participated in the fall parade conducted by the local Rotary Club. The float was designed to demonstrate the principal phases of Scouting.

Big Nelson, B.C., Pack Uses Scouts

A number of Scouts from the 1st and 4th Nelson Troops attend the meetings of the 1st Wolf Cub Pack every Tuesday evening and help with the programme. During the half hour instruction period two Scouts are given charge of each group of Cubs, the C.M. instructing the senior boys. The pack comprises 50 Cubs with an average attendance of 46.

Provincial Commissioner LeBaron Bull of Fredericton addressed the Moncton Rotary Club on his visit to the Jamboree.

As winners of the inter-patrol competition the Hound Patrol of the 5th Oshawa were entertained at tea at the Scoutmaster's home. The table was decorated with the patrol colours.

Bulb Growing Competition for 1st Lennoxville

Scouts of the 1st Lennoxville Troop, Que., are participating in a bulb growing competition, the results to be shown at their annual exhibition and supper on December 21st. The bulbs were distributed by the President and Secretary of the Scout Ladies' Auxiliary following a demonstration of potting by a local expert.

The 1st Galt troop, Ont., has a whistle band. Its leader is a blind war veteran.

A 16th Hamilton Open Evening

Friends and the public generally were invited to a combined meeting of the 19th Hamilton Cubs, Scouts and Rovers. The Cubs put on a model meeting, the Scouts a first aid display, Scout Leroy Sturgeon of the 7th Troop gave an exhibition of rope spinning, and a talk on the Jamboree, and the Rovers contributed a demon-

stration of fire lighting by flint and steel.

13th Montreal Rovers Organize All-Nations Troop and Pack

Members of the 13th Montreal (Kensington) Rovers assisted in the organization of a Scout troop and Cub pack at the new Church of All Nations. The initial meeting was attended by over 80 boys, of whom only a few could speak English.

8th Vancouver Win Eaves Cup for Camp-Making

The annual Vancouver district competition for the Eaves Cup, a test in practical camp-making, was competed for this year by teams representing five Vancouver troops,—the 4th (Pathfinders), 6th (St. Paul's), 8th (Pioneers), 28th (Foresters) and 29th (St. Helen's). Very excellent work was done by all five teams. First place was awarded the 8th, with the 29th second. Field Commissioner Sara and Scoutmaster J. Brown were the judges.

Pack and Three New Troops for Calgary

At the annual dinner meeting of the Calgary District Scout Council, reports presented showed the organization of a new Cub pack at the Woods' Christian Home, three new Scout troops, and the formation of a District P.L.'s Council.

The Fredericton, N.B. district has appointed a chief instructor and examiner in signalling, and five Scout assistants. The latter will act as instructors for the various troops as called upon.

Proficiency Badge Trophy for Eastern Townships, Que.

At the annual meeting of the Quebec Eastern Townships Scout Officers' Association, held in Sherbrooke, with leaders present from Bulwer, Coaticook, Granby, Lennoxville and Sherbrooke, it was announced that a new trophy had been offered by the 1st Granby Troop to stimulate interest in proficiency badge work in the district. The trophy will be competed for at next year's annual district rally in Sherbrooke.

At a meeting of Saskatoon P.L.'s and Scoutmasters held in St. John's Cathedral hall a topic discussed was the organization of a City P.L.'s Troop which would give the junior leaders additional training. A committee was appointed to investigate the proposition.

1st Saskatoon's Curtained-off Patrol Dens

Each patrol of the 1st Saskatoon has a curtained-off patrol den, fixed up with pictures, etc. The furnishings include a patrol box, made by the boys themselves, for holding patrol property. The boxes are opened during inspection, when points are given for neatness, and general appearance of the den.

Scout choruses by local Scouts before the opening performance was a

novel feature of a comedy produced in the Saint John, N.B., opera house by the Canadian Legion and the Red Chevron Club.

Maritime Gilwellians in Newfoundland

A Scouters' Club was organized at a recent meeting at Memorial College, St. John's, Nfld. Interesting to Canadian Maritime Scouters is the fact that all officers of the newly formed Newfoundland club are Gilwellians who attended Maritime courses. They include W.E. Pippy, the District Commissioner; and Messrs. Ronald Ayre, Jack Canning and Edward Foran. Scouting has received further impetus in the old colony as a result of the Jamboree.

Always a Planned Programme

The advantages of a carefully-worked out programme for a Cub party was well demonstrated in the success for both boys and visitors, of the Halloween evening of the 2nd Fredericton (Cathedral) Pack. One feature was a "Fashion Parade." There was a "wolf call for visitors," and closing prayers by Very Rev. Dean Neales.



DEMONSTRATION
of the iron constitutions produced by Scouting—Scoutmaster of 1st Opema Sask. tested thirty samples of twist in an hour and five.

The programme was arranged by District Cubmaster Pugh and A.C.M. Bebbington.

The Young Judean Troop of Saint John, N.B., had as a visitor to a regular meeting Scoutmaster Robert Henry of the R.M.S. Lady Drake, of Uruguay, who told the boys of Scouting in his country. He introduced some new games.

A Scout Hall for 8th Regina

Regina representatives of three of the four Canadian Jamboree Troops spoke of the Jamboree before the largely attended annual meeting and social of the 8th Regina Troop, held in Benson School, under the chairmanship of President Dutton. A favourable report for the year included plans for the purchasing of a lot and the building of a Scout Hut. Refreshments were served by the Ladies' Auxiliary.

"A game somewhat the same as volley ball, but using balloons, followed the study space, in which the fellows were able to let off a little superfluous energy."—21st Border Cities.

After-Jamboree Service in P.E.I.

"The Place and Purpose of the Boy Scout Movement" was the theme of a Sunday evening sermon by Rev. Scott Fulton at Zion Presbyterian Church, Charlottetown, P.E.I. During the service Executive Commissioner R.C. Parent introduced the Scouts who represented the province at the Jamboree, and these in turn read very effectively the Chief Scout's address at the great Jamboree Thanksgiving service, the King's Message and the Prince of Wales' address.

The 2nd Saskatoon has formed a branch of the Model Aircraft League of Canada and secured the services of Captain Dick Mayson as instructor. They will meet one night a week in their shack.

There has been frequent mention, recently of Western troops and packs going in a body to hear Jack Miner, who always gives them a cordial welcome, as becomes a brother invested Scout.

Making the Most of Going-up

"After the meeting the Cubs held a bunfeed in honour of Sixers Tom Anstot and Ronald Meyell, who later when St. Mary's Junior Troop arrived, were the central figures in a very impressive going-up ceremony. After they received the Grand Howl and said good-bye to their brother Cubs, Akela Price introduced the two Sixers to Acting A.S.M. Gornall, who welcomed them to the Junior Troop."—St. Mary's South Pack, Victoria, B.C.

"Rev. W.G. Brown paid the troop a visit on Friday. He saw each patrol at work in their patrol corners and met each Scout present. We would like to have more of our associate members come down to visit us."—11th Saskatoon.

29th Vancouvers Visit Jericho Air Station

Rover Scout Dick deBruijn of Amsterdam was a visitor of the 29th Vancouver Troop at an October meeting, and spoke to the boys of Scouting in Holland. During the evening another visitor, Mr. Baker of the Jericho Air Force staff, gave a talk on "The Air Force and Aircraft," and invited the troop to visit the air station on the following Saturday.

"The special subject of the 8th Saskatoon Scout's Own class last Sunday was the 4th Scout Law. P.L. Jack Todd dealt with the subject thoroughly, referring to the great Jamboree in England. Mr. Tooley gave a summary talk on the subject."

Fine Scout Hall for New Waterford, N.S.

A Scout hall being erected at New Waterford, N. S., under the direction of Scoutmaster Rev. Fr. Johnston by the boys themselves, will contain these features:—Specially constructed corners for patrols, a large general room, a fine brick fireplace "to make the campfire programmes more realistic whilst the winter keeps the boys

inside"; a fireproof moving picture projection room, and a movable stage that can be placed away in section.

At a special service in St. Catharine's Church Winnipeg, a ceremony was carried out of exchanging colours between the 8th Winnipeg Rovers and the 11th Greenwich, England.

Ninety-five dollars was realized by a "tea and party sale" for the benefit of the Truro, N.S., Boy Scouts Association. Ten Girl Guides assisted in serving tea for the hundred old guests. The Scout orchestra supplied music during the tea.

N.B. Interests its Provincial Officers in Training

A total registration of 30 P.L.'s including three from St. Martin's and two from Grand Bay, N. B., was recorded at the first session of the P.L.'s Training Course of the Saint John District, under A.D.C. Boyaner. A number of senior leaders and members of the Local Council also were present, and District Commissioner Dr. G.B. Peat addressed the boys. A subsequent meeting was attended by Mrs. G. Wilford Campbell, Provincial Treasurer, who donated a generous quantity of rope for knot-tying instruction, and the President of the Provincial Association, Mr. H.A. McAvity and President Anglin of the District Association, and other prominent leaders.

Scout leaders of Galt paid a visit to a combined meeting of the 2nd and 4th Kitchener Troops, and King's Scout Douglas Kemp of the 1st Galt told of the world Jamboree.

Saskatoon Scouts' Jamboree Story Featured

One of the most complete and attractively presented local stories of the Jamboree was that carried as a special article in the *Saskatoon Star-Phoenix* of Saturday, Nov. 2nd. It had been secured from the five Saskatoon representatives, and was illustrated with a four-column group of snapshots and a picture of the Duke of Connaught reviewing the Canadian guard of honour.

Rovers of the 10th London acted as ushers at the fall concert of the London Male Choir.

Scouts Interested in Jamboree Equipment

In honour of Provincial Field Scout E.F. Mills, and Troop Leader Owen Williams, who attended the Jamboree, President W.V. Oglesby of the Brandon Association entertained members of the association and local leaders at dinner at the Prince Edward Hotel. Following, a rally of Scouts and Cubs was held at the Collegiate Institute to hear Mr. Mills' story of the Jamboree. Troop Leader Williams displayed his Jamboree equipment, to the great interest of the Scouts.

Rope end whipping, first aid, the building of a trestle bridge and a number of games, including Balloon Relay, made up a lively programme of the 4th Londoners.

Sydney Mayor President of Local Scouts

An At Home for Scoutmasters and other interested citizens in Oddfellow's Hall was arranged by District Commissioner Carter of Sydney, N.S. in order that local leaders and others might meet Mr. S. J. Limbrey, the new Field Secretary for the province. Those present included His Worship Mayor McConnell, Honorary President of the Scout Association. Dinner was served by lady members of Martha Rebecca Lodge, following which the guests sat down at a council fire for a singsong and addresses.

The 2nd Kentville (Anglican) Troop, N.S., donated \$5.00 toward the local Fire Department's fund for the purchase of a new motor ladder truck.

Astronomy, signalling and a ship's council were items of a meeting of



DURING the summer holidays Scout Carpenters of the 7th Moose Jaw, Sask., built a cloakroom addition to St. Barnabas' Church.

the 5th London Sea Scouts. The crew will overhaul their boat during the winter.

2nd Saskatoon's Ad. for Jobs

"This troop would be glad of any odd jobs which Scouts can perform, such as chopping wood, doing chores, etc. The earnings will go to the troop funds, as this troop is independent. They need slightly more than the usual Scout troop for operating expenses. Anyone phoning Mr. Millburn can rely on prompt attention for their various needs. In the case of crippled 'shut-ins' or other such cases this troop would be glad to give their services free."—2nd Saskatoon.

"Watch making" was the subject of a talk by Mr. George Burke before the Fort William Rovers. The speaker concluded by offering a little advice on the choosing of a vocation.

The Court of Honour of the 3rd Halifax Troop served supper at the annual meeting of the Halifax District Scoutmasters' Club, held at Oxford St., United Hall.

Hamilton President Heads Church Parade

Nine Scout troops were represented in a parade of Scouts and leaders to St. George's Anglican Church, Hamilton, to hear a special sermon by Rev. T.H. Stewart. The parade was in charge of President William Hendrie of the Local Association, and District Commissioner A. E. W. Van Someron.

As a result of recent boxing contests among the boys of the 1st Melfort Troop, Sask., a real boxing tournament is being arranged to decide the "Troop Champion."

An N.B. Example of Leadership Sources

For three Scout troops and one Cub pack organized during the fall at McAdam, in the Fredericton, N.B., district, these leaders were secured:—Scoutmaster for the Community Troop, Principal W. O. Wetmore, of the local school; United Church Troop, Rev. Mr. Grant; Baptist Church Troop, Rev. Mr. Gilbert; Cubmaster for Pack, meeting at Anglican church, Rev. T. G. Bennett.

Officers of the Local Association visited the St. Luke's Pack, Winnipeg, at a regular meeting and presented the pack with the South District Athletic Shield, donated by Mr. C. Ellerby and won last June by St. Luke's Pack.

Winter Finance Plans for Nanaimo Scout Hall

The object of the winter activities of the Troop and Pack Committee and the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Nanaimo Troop, B.C., is to raise funds for the building of a Scout Hall.

Troop Leader Niels Nielsen of the Elks' Own 4th Calgary Troop is credited with tying the six Tenderfoot knots in 30 seconds. The troop challenges other fast knotting Scouts in Canada to better this record.

Galt Fire Chief Again Instructs Scouts

Fire Chief Keyes of Galt with the assistance of a number of his men is conducting a series of special classes to assist local Scouts to obtain the Fireman's badge. Chief Keyes has repeated this work for several years. The boys are given instruction in all branches of fire brigade work and the use of all equipment.

Due to the increasing number of boys becoming Scouts, the 1st Radville Troop, Sask., was divided in two sections,—a "regular troop" for boys of 12 to 15, and a Rover patrol for boys 16 to 18.

The 8th Saskatoon has formed two Rover patrols to be known as Limbrey's Own Rovers, in memory of their former S.M. Mr. S. J. Limbrey, now Director of Scouting for Nova Scotia.

Five More Rover Patrols for Montreal

Upon the recommendation of the Rover Commissioner, Prof. R. DeL. French, of McGill, five additional Montreal Rover patrols were registered by the District Council. They are

the 19th Patrol, connected with the 125th (2nd St. Dominic's) Troop, the 20th (Ascension) Patrol, the 21st (Edmund Street, Toc H), the 22nd (Strathcona), affiliated with the 5th Outremont Troop, and the 23rd (Colonel Bishop) Patrol.

Valleyfield, Que., Scouts, Cubs and Girl Guides, with a Guard of Honour and colour party, met Viscount and Lady Willingdon on the occasion of their recent visit.

Rotarians Bring Jamboree Scouts to Halifax

Jamboree Scouts Maclean of New Glasgow, Arthur McDonald of Sydney and Ronald Dodge of Bridgewater were brought to Halifax to address the Rotary Club at the Lord Nelson Hotel, along with Oswald Shank of Halifax. The boys described various parts of the trip.

Old Fire Hall as Scout-Cub H.Q. for Oaklands, B.C.

"On Friday at 4.30 this pack will open for the winter session in its new headquarters, corner Fernwood and Cedar Hill Roads. Through the courtesy of the City Lands Department, Oaklands Troop and Pack have secured this former Fire Hall, which with a few alterations will make one of the most desirable headquarters in the district."

—Oaklands Pack, Victoria, B.C.

A splicing demonstration was given by Chief Petty Officer Dennison, S.M. of the 24th Ottawa Sea Scout Troop, to a well attended P.L. meeting of the Ottawa District.

15th Anniversary for St. Matthew's, Winnipeg

The 15th anniversary of the St. Matthew's Scout Troop and Cub Pack of Winnipeg took the form of a supper in the church provided by the ladies of the Parents' Committee. Presentation of badges took place including a 14th year service star to S.M. W.R. Eatough. The first Lady C.M. of the pack, Miss Dorothy Ham, was officially invested. The evening was concluded with moving pictures shown by Archdeacon McElheran and his son.

One of the winter activities of the 10th Border Cities, already started, is the construction of a trailer for the troop truck, to more conveniently handle the troop's camping equipment. A coupe body was placed on the truck, to facilitate its use throughout the winter.

90th Montreal's Outside Patrol Dens Solve a Meeting Problem

Patrol dens owned by each patrol solved the meeting problem for the 90th Montreal (Kensington) when temporarily without a meeting hall. The four patrols opened simultaneously at the usual hour, and after flag break, conducted by the Patrol Leader, carried out their evening's schedule. An inspecting party consisting of the Scoutmaster, Troop Leader and three Rover Instructors of the 13th Rover Patrol, visited each

patrol den in turn, and awarded points in the patrol competition in the usual way, beginning with personal inspection.

Hamilton district leaders journeyed to Dundas for a very jolly banquet held in Anglican Parish Hall, during which the 1st Dundas Pack was presented with a silver cup won by them at the Hamilton District Meet. Preceding the banquet the troop and pack were presented with a fine stand of colours.

Another Sherbrooke Sealed-Orders Hike

For the annual district fall hike each Sherbrooke troop left its headquarters carrying sealed instructions, these being opened at various points along the route. The trail led to an ideal site in the open several miles from the city, where stalking and various other woodcraft games were played. Supper was cooked and all gathered about a big council fire for a programme of songs, yells and stories.

Scouts from Melita visited the 1st Boissevain Troop, Man., for a knot-tying competition. Following the contest there were games, refreshments and short addresses. A return visit is planned by the Boissevain troop.

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Campfire Ceremony for Saint John Jewish Rovers

A camp fire ceremony at dusk at a quiet spot on the shore of the broad Kennebecasis River provided the setting for the impressive first Rover investiture ceremony of the Young Judean Rover Troop of Saint John, N.B., when Rover Mates Guss and Zebberman took the Rover obligations at the hands of Rovermaster Johnson of the Headquarters Rover Troop.

Border Cities Cubs will Remember this Rally

"Hot dogs" for 408 Wolf Cubs, prepared personally, with coat off, by Mayor George H. Jones of Amherstburg, and a staff of Scout assistants; a flag-break with the 400 Cubs in a big circle; a huge camp fire, with songs and stories and a rousing talk by District Commissioner Cpl. Wigle, special street cars to take them home, and a bushel of snowapples to each car,—these were memorable features of the fall Border Cities rally of Wolf Cubs, held on the baseball grounds at Amherstburg.

At the second annual competition for the Oke Scout and Cub Collecting Shield the Beaver Patrol of the 2nd Brandon Troop again were winners, whilst a six of the 2nd Pack won the Cub event. A splendid collection of leaves, flowers, stamps, photos, rocks, sketches, etc., was shown. This Shield competition is open to all Brandon patrols and sixes.

During a combined meeting of the 1st and 3rd Tillsonburg Scoutmasters Gibson and Rev. E. E. Long invested Cubmaster Milton McNeice and A. C. M. Jack Atkinson as leaders of the newly organized St. Paul's Pack, following which the latter invested eight Cubs as Tenderpads. There were games and refreshments before the closing horseshoe exercises.

Scouts throughout Canada played their varied parts of service and remembrance on Armistice Day. At Montreal five members of the Shriners' Hospital Troop, one of whom was carried, placed a wreath on the Cenotaph.

The 73rd Toronto Troop and Pack held their Annual Armistice Day Church Parade to the Church of the Nativity on Sunday morning, 10th November, accompanied by the 6th Troop (Birchcliff), 8th Troop (Gledhill School), 13th Troop and Pack (St. Monica's), 24th Troop (Queen East Presbyterian) and the 35th Troop (Norway). A total of 178 were on parade, in charge of District Scoutmaster F. A. Willet, who, with the Rev. N. A. F. Bourne, Chaplain of the 73rd, took the salute at the March Past after the Service.

American P.L.'s Present Canadian P.L.'s for Investiture

A novel incident of international Scouting occurred during the past summer when the Patrol Leaders of a new troop at Huntingdon, Que., were presented for investiture by Patrol Leaders of Troop 1, of Chateauguay, New York, who had been invited across the "imaginary line" for the occasion. After the ceremony a demonstration of Scout work was given by the American troop. Another interesting detail was the fact that the Huntingdon Troop was organized during a summer visit by the Rev. Gordon Addie of Quebec City, a member, as a Scout, of the 1919 Clouston Challenge Trophy Scout life-saving team of Quebec City.

League of Nations Tribute to Scout Jamboree

"FROM the platform of the League Assembly a pleasing act of homage was paid to the Great Jamboree and to Boy Scouts in general, according to *The Children's Newspaper*.

'Surely,' said the delegate for Australia, speaking of his own visit there, 'this is one method by which the young men of all nations, whom we hope will one day take a prominent part in the affairs of their own countries, may be encouraged to respect and honour each other and to help in the uplift of the human race generally.'

A fine destiny for Scouts! How many boys of the Jamboree, we wonder, will one day be sitting as delegates at the League Assembly or as representatives at its conferences? They will be particularly fitted for such positions by the knowledge and understanding of each other gained as Boy Scouts, no longer foreigners to each other but friends."

THE JAMBOREE YEAR TOY SHOP

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couver Daily Province Santa Claus Fund, the Calgary Herald Sunshine Society, the Edmonton Journal's Christmas Sunshine, the Goodfellows' Club of the Border Cities Star and the Halifax Evening Mail. Doubtless other papers would similarly identify themselves with the work if approached by the proper Scout authorities, and the significance of the toy distribution, including that among settlers' children, made clear.

Theatre "Toy Showers"—Special Saturday morning toy-admission or "toy shower" matinees produced a surprisingly large quantity of toys last year at the Capitol Theatre, Calgary, the Daylight Theatre, Saskatoon and the Capitol Theatre, St. Catharines, Ont. "The Strollers," a local dramatic society, put on a special play for the benefit of the Chatham, Ont., Toy Shop.

The Toys for Settlers' Children

Selecting.—A committee of Scout mothers will handle this efficiently, with one or two guiding suggestions. Generally preference will be given to smaller and lighter toys,—for each child a toy or doll of about equal attractiveness from a child's point of view, and for each family one or two games and books which may be used by all.

Wrapping.—If possible each individual child's gift should be wrapped separately in tissue paper, and tagged with its name; the family parcel then snugly wrapped and secured with stout cord. "Do Not Open Until Christmas" and other similar stickers will finish off the parcels attractively at little expense.

Mail Early.—The necessity of mailing packages in plenty of time to reach destinations will not be overlooked. Unless otherwise specified, parcels should be addressed to the mother of the family.

A Postal for Acknowledgment.—At least two of our larger shops made a practice of sending with each settler's package a reply postcard announcing its coming, the reply portion returning as an acknowledgment. This is an excellent plan, where financially possible. Inevitably a few of the thousand-odd packages are misdirected or sidetracked enroute, and the postal check system permits of a prompt follow-up.

Rovers in 28 Countries

THERE are now Rovers in twenty-eight different countries, not including the different parts of the British Empire outside of Britain. They include:—Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Chile, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, France, Great Britain, Holland, Hungary, Iceland, Iraq, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Norway, Persia, Portugal, Roumania, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Yugoslavia, Armenians in France and Russian Rovers in other lands.

It is planned to hold an International Rover Moot in 1931, probably at the International Scout Chalet at Kandersteg, Switzerland.

Appreciation of Foreign Settlers

THE following expression of appreciation received on November 18th from a New Canadian family of foreign birth will be of interest to the particular Toy Shop concerned; also to other last year's shops who may have sent gifts to "foreign" families, and received no word of the receipt of parcels.

Rama, Sask., Nov. 15, 1929.

The Secretary,
Boy Scout Christmas Toy Shops,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Sir:—

Mr. Ambrozy Kalnicki has received your card re Christmas Toys for the children, and has asked me to reply. Mr. Kalnicki wishes to express his thanks to you for the toys received last Christmas. They were probably almost the only reminder of Christmas in that home, which was a particularly sad one owing to the death of their youngest boy a few months previously, and the

Quebec Conference Papers

ONE of the notable addresses at the Quebec provincial conference, held during the summer at Quebec city, was that of Dr. G. W. Parmelee, Director of Protestant Education for the province. Speaking on "Some Educational Principles Applicable to Scouting," Dr. Parmelee incidentally paid a tribute to "the flash of genius" which produced the Scout Movement, and acknowledged its value as complementary and supplementary to the work of the schools.

Broadly Scouting took cognizance of the boy's individuality and special aptitudes, and the difference in "mental age," while the schools, of necessity, must treat them in groups, he pointed out. A teacher will have perhaps ten pupils of somewhat retarded mental growth, ten of about the average, and ten above the average, with the result that those below average cannot receive the kind of handling necessary, while those above average are not kept busy, and get into mischief.



A LETTER of welcome and good wishes went with each new settler's package sent out last Christmas by the Truro, N.S., Toy Shop, a flash-pictured corner of which is shown above. This year 50 names are asked.

sickness of the elder. Since then, however, another boy has been born to them, a real little Canadian, and the family now is as follows,—Nicholas, aged 7 years. Alex, aged 8 months.

They would be very grateful to receive something from the Scout Santa, and the address is the same.

Very truly yours,

Mrs. C. H. L.

P.S. Mr. Kalnicki was unable to write and thank you last year as, being unable to read English, he did not understand who had sent the parcel. The toys were a source of enjoyment and interest until about two months ago. Thank you!

**KEEP IN MIND DOMINION
REGISTRATION—IT'S
VALUABLE TO EVERY BOY**

Scouting could help both boys. For the gifted boy it offered an opportunity of leadership in which he did not feel repressed, and which developed a sense of responsibility to others—something which could not be given in the schoolroom. For the lad below the average, Scouting brought a practical opportunity of finding his "bent." An illustration of the principle was provided by the son of the chief foreman of a large Montreal plant. The lad had done poorly at school, and got into trouble outside of school hours. As an experiment he was taken into the shop. "In less than two years he was an expert draftsman, earning more money than any teacher. He had creative feeling, and had found work that interested him."

Teachers also were tied down by tradition, Dr. Parmelee said, and told of a young woman in a country school who, as a lesson in geography, took her

pupils out into the school yard, where there was a brook, and showed them how streams joined and became rivers; how deltas, islands and bays were formed, etc.—with the result that she was released at the end of the year. "According to conventional ideas she should have kept her children inside the school. But I thought it the best lesson in geography that I had ever heard of. It was the Scouting way of teaching."

Dr. Parmlee had a serious word for Scoutmasters regarding their responsibility at particular times. "Wise Scout leadership can help during the natural change from the complete recognition of authority of the child-mind to 'self-government' that comes with adolescence," he said. "You can deal with this character-forming stage as a teacher cannot. At this time boys imitate the very best types, or the worst. It is most important that leaders should live lives worthy of imitation."

In conclusion he assured the leaders present that the work they were doing without ostentation was appreciated by all who have studied the psychology of adolescents; "by all who hope for higher standards—political, business, and individual moral standards."

Discussions and Suggestions

FOR discussions the Quebec conference was organized into groups, by letter assigned at the door. Each group appointed its leader, and chose its own topics. A very brief report on the discussions was presented at the conclusion of the discussion period. The reports included:—

Stimulating the Interest of Parents.—The Scoutmaster should meet the father of each Scout. You present your own personality; prove to him that you are interested in his boy. There is no better ground on which two men can sit down and talk. Hold a Parents' Evening twice in the year, and a Father and Son Banquet once a year.

Cooperating With the Schools.—Endeavour to help where a boy is not doing well in school. Let the teacher know the boy is doing well in the troop. One case mentioned where the S.M. helped with boy's homework. Meet and get the teacher's viewpoint; try to cooperate with the school programme. Some school boards and teachers are sympathetic, some not. In latter case good Scouting is the only way of securing understanding. Rev. F. H. Stanton reported Scouting a distinct success at Grand Ligne boarding school.

Singing and the Non-musical S.M.—Solution in one troop, a singing P.L., who was in charge except for discipline. Singing must be carried on under discipline to get results. There should be singing at every troop and pack meeting.

Court of Honour and Sixers' Council.—The distinction was emphasized,—the Court of Honour of the troop, and the Sixers' Council of the pack. The Council should not deal with constitutional matters; only Sixers' work, games programme, etc.

C. of H. Meetings.—A short regular meeting, and an occasional long special meeting, preferably at the Scoutmaster's home, were recommended.

Source of Funds.—One troop systematically collected magazines (not newspapers); had special place for storing them. Another had for some years put on a dance, the dancing occurring between regular troop numbers. Another held a candy, cake and vegetable sale.

Teaching Trees.—Boys cannot learn trees from books. The man can. Suggested S.M. purchase **Native Trees of Canada**, study and pass on to boys in a practical way. Spotting trees not the best introduction. Preferably give a talk on how trees live.

Cubs and Good Habits.—In work with packs more attention should be given the creating of good habits.

FOR THIS XMAS EVERY TROOP SANTA CLAUS TO KIDDIES OF AT LEAST ONE NEW SETTLER'S FAMILY *Got Your Name?*

The Ontario Rover Moot

AN inspiring experience and a success in every respect was the expressed opinion of everyone fortunate enough to be present at the Ontario Rover Moot held at St. Thomas, Nov. 9-11, and attended by 126 Rovers from seventeen different localities. The sessions were in charge of different Rover Crews, who presented reports on subjects carefully considered by the Crew beforehand, and the discussions were taken part in with great earnestness. The broad subject of Rover service was brought into more definite terms, and the deeper note of obligation was impressed in several thoughtful addresses; perhaps especially by the pageant, "The Descent of Service," put on most impressively by the Rovers of St. Thomas. A memorable Rover Scouts' Own was held on Sunday afternoon, under the leadership of Rev. Geoffrey Stott of Glanworth, and in the evening a sing-song at the Y.

The problem of "The Relation of The Rovers to the Pack and Troop" was presented by the Mate of the London Rover Crew. The Rovers from London felt that the young man in Rovering should pay back to the Cub Pack and Scout Troop something of the debt he owes to Scouting. They felt that Cubs, Scouts and Rovers were all one family, and that the natural outlet of service was in the Cub Pack or Scout Troop.

"Rover Service in its Entirety" was dealt with by Mr. D. W. F. Nichols of Windsor. He pointed out that the big thing for Rovers to realize is that they take their promise as men. In taking their promise as men they must realize their promise to God and the Church. This means that they must help their own particular church in the leadership of the younger people. Rover Service implies securing a good education for yourself. It means be-

ing well read and understanding the problems in the world. Rovers should have the habit of vision, they should see that they can do much to bring boys to the high ideals set by Scouting. As to kind of service, it may be in any direction, but it must be definite.

In presenting the subject "Rovering and the Young Immigrant," Rover W. T. Hilton of Toronto had some practical suggestions to make. He pointed out that Rovers could do much to contribute to the content of young boys on farms by visiting them during hikes and camps. "Rovers could instill in the young immigrant the will to win out."

During discussion of the topic, "The Non-Scout Chap Desiring to be a Rover" the following points were brought out:—(a) That no young man who has the spirit of service should be debarred from becoming a Rover. (b) That the non-Scout who desires to become a Rover should serve, in addition to his novitiate, a period during which he studies the ideals of the Scout Movement. (c) That it is not wise to have more non-Scouts in a Rover Crew than those who have been Scouts. It was felt that "you need to be a Scout to appreciate the traditions of the Movement."

Leading the discussion of "The Ultimate Goal of a Rover," Rover Mate Reg. Cooper of the 2nd Border Cities, phrased this as "the greatest service to God and man." Rovers should be ready at all times to assist with the work of their respective churches. They should educate themselves in order that they might render more effective service generally in their community.

"What is Rovering?" "Rover Programme," and "The Spiritual and Religious Side of Scouting," were three detail-crowded lectures from the Rover Leader Training Course given by the Assistant Chief Commissioner, John A. Stiles.

Perhaps the outstanding feature of the Moot was the pageant, "The Descent of Service," presented by the St. Thomas Rovers on the stage of the Technical School. Act I showed Arthur crowned King of Britain, then consecrating himself to service to God and man; another scene, Galahad before the altar, performing his Vigil. Lighting effects indicated the passing of twenty-four hours, then followed the knighting of Galahad, with medieval pomp and ceremony. Act II pictured the descent of the spirit of service to a modern Rover Crew. Before a Crew in session a young man appears and expresses his desire to serve. He is told that he must pass through a novitiate, and learn the spirit of Rovering. Time passes, and the Crew has again assembled, to invest the novitiate as a Rover. While the Rover leader and the young man go for a walk, to discuss the solemn significance of the ceremony, the Crew make the necessary preparations. A table is covered with the Cross of St. George. On this is placed an ewer of water, and at either side a lighted candle. The Rover leader and the

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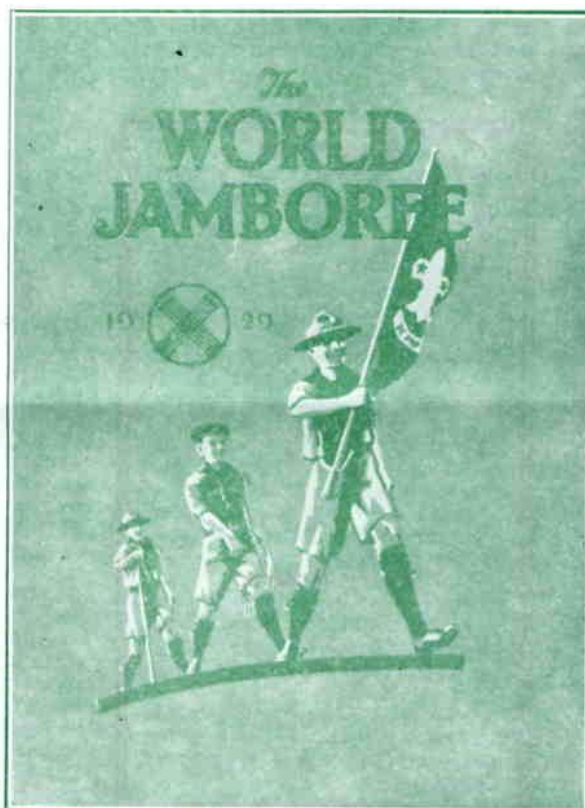
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THE DUFFEL BAG

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

Membership Requirements of 13th Montreal Rovers

ENTRANCE into the 13th Montreal Rovers (Kensingtons) is by invitation only. Prospects under the age of 17 must undergo a period during which they are only "applicants," with no standing or privileges other than having been invited to apply. All members, whether "applicants" or "recruits," must already have passed, or be prepared to pass their Ambulance and Pathfinder Badges, and also one other badge signifying the specialty in which they propose to be a Rover Instructor.

For the Scout from the 90th Montreal (with which the Kensingtons are affiliated) or other Troop, the entrance standard is quite high and calls for First Class to enter the "recruits" stage and Kings' Scout to enter the "junior member" stage. For the non-scout the standard requires the pursuit of some form of personal advancement such as technical classes, correspondence course, extension lectures in whatever subject appears to suit best the applicants' future vocation. Definite progress must be reported by the end of a certain period before the "recruit" may enter the "junior member" stage.

The three-fold policy of the Kensingtons covers—Self Advancement, Service to the Scout Movement, and Public Service.

A Rover Discussion Plan

A discussion plan of the 23rd Ottawa Rovers which has worked out very satisfactorily gives a speaker on any chosen subject ten minutes for his address, and five minutes to each of the other Rovers in which to contribute, either for or against, the speaker then having five minutes for reply. The duties of the chairman consist merely in calling time one minute before expiry of speaking periods.

Problem of the Crowded Pack

A frequent problem of Cubmasters, especially in the fall, is a rush of young applicants in excess of the pack's ability to absorb and handle them. Some Cubmasters accept them all, planning to do the best they can with them, and in consequence the general progress of the pack is retarded. Other Cubmasters draw an admission dead line at 24 or 36 boys, depending upon the number of assistants available, and merely take the names of applicants and send the lads away. The latter practice occasionally results in the permanent loss of promising Cub material; in the case of church packs, it not infrequently results in dissatisfaction on the part of parents, who feel that their small lads should have been taken care of.

The following solution has worked very satisfactorily for some years with the 23rd Ottawa Pack:—Over the number desired, all applicants are taken in, and, to use the Pack term, "lined

up against the wall." That is they remain at one side of the room, are given only such Tenderpad instruction as may be convenient, are included in two mass games during the evening, but otherwise treated merely as on-lookers. Several results are secured. Those boys who maintain their interest, who come regularly, and master their Tenderpad work at home, are noted for appointment to a Six as soon as an opening is available. If the group "against the wall" contains say four or more promising boys who have "stuck," a new Six is organized, — up to the limit of six Sixes.

Under this plan, boys taken into the pack already have a fairly good idea of Cubbing and Pack procedure.

On the other hand, the plan results in the elimination of certain boys who probably would not in any case have stuck.

Scout Dates

2nd—Order your Troop or Pack copies of the 1930 Diary.

7th, 14th, 21st—Toy Shop big days.

23rd—Schools closed for Christmas holidays. Help decorate Church and Sunday-school.

Christmas Eve.—The year's jolliest Good Turn. Scout Santas make their rounds.

Christmas Week

Visit and entertain at hospitals, Old Folks' Homes, etc. Hold one or two Hikes, and if possible a Winter Camp. (See "Winter Hikes." The Scoutmaster's First Year, p 112.)

During December

Discuss at each meeting before Christmas Toy Shop activities and progress, or some other special Troop Christmas Good Turn.

Give special instruction re ice accidents. (See "Scouts and Ice Accidents," February 1928 Scout Leader.)

Accident Prevention Shows Results

ACCORDING to a provincial report issued by the Ontario Safety League there were in 1926, 23 fewer children killed by preventable accidents than in 1925, in 1927 there were 13 less than in 1926, and in 1928 three less than in 1927,—this notwithstanding a large increase in motor traffic. These figures should encourage all Scout leaders, especially Cubmasters, to keep up the accident-prevention work being carried on in various ways.

FOR THIS XMAS
EVERY TROOP SANTA CLAUS
TO KIDDIES OF AT LEAST
ONE NEW SETTLER'S
FAMILY
Got Your Name?

Other Christmas Good Turns

OTHER good turns in the Scout's usual Christmas category will not be overlooked, of course. Have your Court of Honour run through the following list of things done by various troops and packs in past years:—

Collected illustrated and comic stories for a children's home.

Collected one hundred story books for the boys of a nearby sanitarium.

Assisted in decorating a hospital.

Assisted in decorating church and Sunday-school.

Provided Christmas tree with decorations and gifts for a needy family.

Provided Christmas trees for families unable to purchase or otherwise secure them.

During Christmas week visited and entertained war veterans in hospitals and sanitariums, children in various institutions, old folks' homes, etc.

Small town troop ran a free Christmas shopping week delivery system for women shoppers.

Assisted police in controlling street traffic on big Christmas shopping days.

And do not overlook your janitor!

A Junior Cubbers' Course

OWING to lack of senior Cub leaders several Scouts of 16 and 17 have been looking after some of the London, Ont., Packs. For the benefit of these young leaders a special course lasting a week was organized by Cubmaster Henry Woelfle, and was attended by 19 Scouts of from 16 to 18. Several local Cub leaders assisted with lectures and in the running of a demonstration pack. The topics taken up were:—A Talk on Cubbing. Outline of Second Star Wark. A Sample Indoor Programme. A Sample Saturday Afternoon Programme,—this given in the form of a hike with the instructor. The Value of Games to the Pack and the Individual. Value of Stories. The Wolf Cub Instructor and his Job. Winter Craft Work. Training Methods. The Jungle Books and their Relation to the Cub, and origin of the names of the different animals used.

The lectures were given in twenty minute periods. A keen Six competition was run throughout the course, the games being all Cub games.

No Cub "Court of Honour"

OCCASIONAL references are seen in news columns to Wolf Cub "Court of Honour" meetings. The Court of Honour is purely a Scout institution, distinct in procedure and atmosphere from the "Sixers' Council," which is the proper term for such a group of Cub Sixers. The Court of Honour is held with all due formality about a table, the proceedings governed by correct parliamentary procedure, etc. The Sixers' Council on the other hand is strictly informal. The ideal place for meeting is the rug before a fireplace in the Cubmaster's home, and the procedure merely an informal discussion of Six problems.