



Wallace Kinnaird and Myddleton Mackenzie —Cornwell Scouts

BY unusual coincidence the rare Cornwell Badge, the V.C. of Scouting, given for "outstanding courage, capability and character," demonstrated during a period of great physical suffering, in addition to high standing in Scouting, was awarded in December by Lord Baden-Powell to two Canadian Scouts—Wallace Kinnaird, of the Robert Louis Stevenson Scout Group of the Thistle town Branch of the Toronto Sick Children's Hospital, and Myddleton Mackenzie of Victoria, B.C.

Wallace Kinnaird

As the result of a football injury which developed serious complications, Wallace Kinnaird entered the hospital and had his leg amputated at the hip. The complication persisted, and it became a certainty that Wallace had at the outside a year and a half to survive. Notwithstanding great suffering and the nearing certainty of death, Wallace became an always cheery and encouraging assistant of the Hospital Group of handicapped Scouts and Cubs, and generally played a role that brought unusual commendation from doctors and nurses.

This was the tribute paid by the Nurse Supervisor of the Thistle town Hospital: "During all this time we have never seen him show anything but courage and the most amazing and infectious good cheer to his companions, although it has been evident to a perceiving person that he has had dark hours when the realization of his enormous physical handicap and of the extremely limited possibilities in life for him has been borne in on his alert mind. Nobody could love life

and activity more than he, and yet nobody has heard him complain of his misfortune. Not only has he displayed a cheerful and sunny countenance at all times, but he has put real effort into encouraging and helping other boys (many of which are more fortunate than he), fostering industry and ambition in them, setting an example of obedience, courtesy, and thoughtfulness, and all this with complete unconsciousness of doing anything praiseworthy or unique.

"My own observations are confirmed by the nurses who know Wallace best. This boy's brave, bright spirit is an inspiration to those who live with him."

The badge was presented at the hospital on December 17th, by Provincial President J. W. Mitchell. Two weeks later, December 31st, Scout Wallace Kinnaird died.

Is it not arresting, and again convincing of the deep spiritual significance and possibilities of the Scouting code, that a lad in his early 'teens should find in it something on which to hold in such a test; terms in which to translate his courage into selfless thoughts for others? And who can say how far may run the threads of such an example of true Scouting as left by "Wally" Kinnaird!

Myddleton Mackenzie

Yet another example of outstanding, cheerful courage and persistent carrying on under a handicap of physical disability and continuous suffering, and of steady progress in Scouting, notwithstanding, is offered in the case of Myddleton Mackenzie. For ten years or more a constantly paining and almost useless arm has been treated as a joke, and referred to only with a cheery laugh. Several extremely serious operations, one a major trepanning of the skull, were faced with cheerful courage. As soon as he was old enough, and from time to time as his physical condition permitted, Myddleton Mackenzie assumed the assistant leadership or leadership of a Cub Pack or Scout Troop. He completed his Gilwell Scout course at camp in 1923, insisting on taking part in every activity, including the journey; and continuing his study, completed his Part I Akela in 1929.

Myddleton Mackenzie is still carrying on,—and with his Cornwell Badge also will carry the high regard and all possible good wishes of his brother Scouts and Scouters throughout the Dominion.



Founder of
Boyhood's League of Nations
The Boy Scouts.

For his 76th Birthday and many more may he enjoy health, happiness and service!

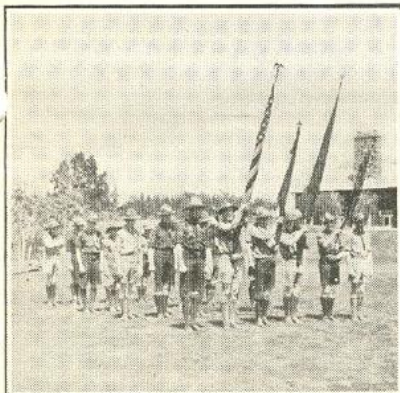
King's Scouts and "Eagles" at the Waterton-Glacier Park Opening

TWO parties, of 12 American Eagle Scouts and 12 Canadian King's Scouts, played an impressive part in the opening ceremonies of the Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park on the Alberta-Montana Border in November. The two Scout groups paraded to the speaker's stand and formed one rank, an "Eagle" and "King" alternately. On a given signal the King's Scouts stepped forward, and at the half salute re-affirmed the Scout Promise, the Eagle Scouts standing at the full salute. This was followed by the singing of the British National Anthem. In turn the Eagle Scouts stepped forward, re-affirmed their Scout Oath, and sang a verse of "My Country 'tis of Thee."

In unison then the two groups of Scouts repeated:

*We pledge respect to our fellow
Scouts
In the world-wide brotherhood of
man;
And we pledge our friendly understanding
In a harmony of racial differences,
As do our two great countries here
Across this far-flung boundary,*

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Alberta King's Scouts and Montana Eagle Scouts, who took an impressive part in the dedication of the Waterton-Glacier Peace Park.

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A Call to Prayer

AN invitation to Protestant Church Scout Groups to join in the services of a special January Week of Prayer for Divine Guidance through the disturbing difficulties of the year came too late for the November-December *Scout Leader*. The invitation is now passed on with the suggestion that such Groups co-operate as a body in any subsequent prayer periods which may be designated by their churches. It need not be said that the Scout Promise naturally associates Scouting with all such special supplications for Divine Guidance, and for blessing upon the efforts of the Movement to help the anxious and distressed.

Commendation and Suggestion

ADDRESSING the Executive Committee of the Canadian General Council at its recent quarterly meeting, His Excellency, the Chief Scout for Canada, spoke of his impressions of Scout units met during his summer tour of the west. He commended the quality of leadership reflected, and commented particularly upon the smartness of the Scouts in cities and towns where the interest of prominent public men in the Movement was most evident. Where this important backing had not been fully secured, His Excellency suggested that provincial and local executive committees and associations should endeavour to attract more public attention to the good being accomplished, both in the fields of technical Scout training, and through the training in practical public service.

Re Jamboree Funds

AT a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Canadian General Council held in Ottawa, Nov. 29, 1932, it was decided that all Provincial Councils should be advised that the Executive Committee considered that it would be unwise for local or provincial Scout bodies to undertake by public subscription or otherwise to raise money to send boys to the International Jamboree at Hungary this year. The Executive Committee felt that all available resources should be used for the support of Scouting locally and provincially.

This of course does not affect the going of Scouts on their own financial responsibility.

Jamboree Information

SCOUTMASTERS of Scouts who may be able to finance their attendance at this year's Jamboree at Godollo,

Hungary, may secure information as to costs, qualifications, equipment, etc., by applying to Provincial Headquarters. In conformity with the decision announced at the Annual Meeting of the Canadian General Council, April 28th, 1932, there will be no official Canadian contingent going as such from Canada. Individual Scouts who meet the requirements as laid down by Imperial Headquarters will be allowed to go, provided they are accepted, as members of the British Contingent.

Jewish Body Adopts Scouting

AT its annual gathering in Winnipeg the Supreme Advisory Council of Aleph Zadek Aleph unanimously passed a resolution favouring Scouting and pledging itself to sponsor Jewish Scout troops throughout Canada and the United States, under the motto, "Every Chapter a Sponsor of a Boy Scout Troop."

Another Scouter Bishop

THE first Bishop of the new Anglican diocese of Northern Saskatchewan, Bishop W. Burd, adds another active and trained Scout leader to the roll of prominent churchmen. Bishop Burd is a full-fledged Gilwellian, having taken the Part II at Moose Mountain in 1931. The Rt. Rev. John Lyons, Bishop of Ontario, was for some years an active Scoutmaster at Belleville, Ont.

An Appreciation from the Premier of Saskatchewan

"A SPLENDID contribution to the happiness of many Saskatchewan children," wrote Premier J. T. M. Anderson to the Chief Executive Commissioner, Mr. John A. Stiles, referring to the Christmas distribution of gifts in Saskatchewan by Scout and Guide toy shops. "I can assure you that this was appreciated very much indeed."

Awarded the Silver Wolf

BEFORE a gathering of prominent provincial and district leaders and Quebec City Scouts Col. Wm. Wood, a member of the Canadian General Council and for twenty-three years President of the Quebec City Scout Association, received from His Honour Lt.-Gov. H. G. Carroll the Honorary Silver Wolf, on behalf of the Chief Scout for Canada, His Excellency the Earl of Bessborough, in recognition of outstanding service to the Movement.

In similar recognition of many years' connection with Scouting, Col. I. W. Vidito, Provincial Commissioner for Nova Scotia, received the Honorary Silver Wolf at the hands of His Excellency the Earl of Bessborough in Ottawa, at the quarterly meeting of the Executive Committee of the Canadian General Council.

*EVEN IF UNABLE TO PAY
THE REGISTRATION FEES
REGISTER YOUR TROOP—
IT MAY BE IMPORTANT
TO YOUR BOYS LATER.*

"Songs for Canadian Boys"

THIS book of magnificent songs for the use of the Canadian Scout family has recently been published, and already has been adopted with delight by many Groups. It is a collection of 171 songs, the result of four years of study and experiment by a group of Montreal Scout officials, who were impressed with the need of gathering together under one cover a large number of songs of high musical value which would appeal to boys, the use of which would give the Scouter confidence that his Troop or Pack singing was contributing to the development of a taste for good music.

The inspiration to undertake this work was received when the Westminster Abbey choristers (30th Westminster Scout Troop) visited Canada in 1927. In many places where these Scouts gave recitals they met the local Troops, and taught them a number of splendid old songs suitable for chorus singing. The avidity with which these songs were learned and subsequently used locally showed that Canadian Scouts were keen to sing good music if it were made available to them. Later experiments in Montreal confirmed this idea, hence the determination to issue a new song book which would enable Scouters to lead the singing of their units within the realm of good music without sacrificing its attractiveness to the boys.

The best song music of many countries was studied, always from the point of view of suitability for boys' chorus singing. Particular emphasis was laid on the old songs which have survived through several generations—always a fair test both of musical value and of real popularity. Literature about song music was consulted so that the Scouter might be provided with facts concerning the stories of the songs, dramatic moments of history when they appeared, and other features which, when given in preliminary explanation by the Scouter when introducing the song, will at once secure a boy's interest. These facts are given in the book in story form as footnotes, constituting a distinctive feature not developed in any other collection of songs that could be discovered. The notes make fascinating reading, indeed so fascinating that one well-known and prominent citizen of Ottawa, not himself musical, stayed up until 2 a.m. reading them!

In order that the Scouter with limited musical training may achieve success with these songs, a series of special hints on training boys to sing has been included, and has already proved its value in many parts of Canada. Another feature of the book is the inclusion of several magnificent songs, perhaps difficult to learn, but which have been included to aid the Scouter when preparing for a formal concert as distinct from a camp-fire sing-song.

The musical value of the songs and the timeliness of the book are emphasized in the extremely congratulatory reviews which have appeared over the signatures of such internationally

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Relief Work Notes

NEWSPAPER clippings indicate that Scout Groups continue to play a not unimportant part in local relief measures.

The Scout Relief Barrel, or Basket (placed in grocery stores with a placard inviting purchasers to add to their buying an item for a needy family) apparently is spreading. Since the last issue of the *Scout Leader* this relief idea has been reported in operation at Three Rivers, St. Johns, Valleyfield and Brownsburg, Que.; by the Port Hope, Ont., Wolf Cubs, in four local stores; by the 5th Hamilton Group, with a barrel in one of the largest neighborhood stores, and by the Greenwood Troop, Winnipeg, with barrels "in all the stores from Valor Road to Arlington."

The 24 Cubs of the 12th London, Ont., Pack brought gifts of food to a regular meeting for distribution to the poor.

The Hanover, Ont., Cubs and Brownies, newly organized, made their debut in connection with a local relief "Preserve Shower" under the auspices of the Guides. Cub Sixers met the visitors and took charge of the fruit jars, while the Brownies received and served tea.

The 1st Oakville, Ont., Troop held a special paper round-up and turned the proceeds over to the local Welfare Board.

As indicated in the handbill reproduced elsewhere, the St. Catharines Scouts took on a major job for the local Relief Committee by a house-to-house canvass of the city for clothing, mattresses, bedding, stoves, cooking utensils, etc., these being collected by truck.

A fine effort was that of the 1st Brownsburg Group, Que., producing nearly 3 tons of food for 37 families. The result was secured "by the hearty co-operation of the storekeepers in whose shops barrels were placed; excellent publicity by the local newspapers, and unsolicited monetary contributions." As an example,—the food distributed included 500 pounds of meat; 23 bags of vegetables; bags of beans, rice, peas and flour; a barrel of apples; butter, tea, jam, macaroni, and hundreds of canned and package goods; 100 loaves of bread.

The milk supplied with the groceries collected in the 1st Three Rivers Group baskets is represented by tickets placed in the delivery boxes. The tickets are purchased from a dairy at a special price, with contributions from a number of young single office men, friends of the S.M. P.L.'s take weekly turns in looking after the collecting and distributing of the food. The baskets are decorated in Scout colours, with cotton donated by a local mill. The colours help to attract attention in the stores.

Duke of Connaught's Shield

FORMS have been received announcing the conditions of H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught's Challenge Shield Competition for 1933. Conditions and entry forms may be secured from Provincial Headquarters.

The '32-Xmas Job

THE story of our 9th annual national Christmas application of the 3rd Scout Law, the Christmas Toy Shop job, was another story of splendid effort, in numerous cases in the face of increased difficulties in securing sufficient toys on the one hand and increased demand on the other. A number of shops failed to repeat, but a considerable list of new shops maintained the ocean-to-ocean chain,—156 as reported at date of publication. And last year's minimum figure of at least 75,000 children provided for was maintained by a comfortable margin.

In several cases the increased local need prevented the sending of toys elsewhere, but shops in communities more happily situated, or better organized for the work, filled the gap, and a total of well over 5,000 children on farms, chiefly in the west, were remembered by mail. In addition bulk quantities of toys were furnished for Christmas trees which otherwise would not have been possible for a number of frontier school districts and missions, and a pioneer district Home-maker's Club.

It may be of interest that 623 postal cards, 678 letters from settlers and 232 Toy Shop letters were handled at Dominion Headquarters.

While publicity has never been an aim, except as necessary to secure local support, the news story value of the Scout Toy Shop operations as seen by the press was given a remarkable total of space in newspapers throughout the country. A column length Canadian Press story, prepared on their own initiative, was put on the wires at Toronto, and published throughout the Dominion, in most of the larger papers at full length. It is interesting that this story carried B.-P.'s catchy expression "Happifying," and the word in some cases was used as a large type caption.

A three-column picture of Mr. E. W. Beatty of the C.P.R. visiting the Montreal Toy Shop also was published widely.

The Toronto story featured a figure of 100,000 toys as the prospective num-

ber to be distributed. Doubtless to some not in direct touch with our work this may have seemed "optimistic." Actually the number of toys handled must have approximated 200,000.

The Guides

Our good sisters the Guides met the extra demands of special need as they always do. The major and highly efficient work of previous years was repeated at Saint John, N.B., Ottawa, Hamilton, Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary, Victoria, and doubtless at other shops not yet reported. The Perth, Ont., Guides sent a large carton of attractively-dressed dolls and knitted garments to the Ottawa shop, for passing on west. The 1st Almonte, Ont., Guides, for their fourth year offered to supply 10 needy settlers' children "any place,"—which proved to be Manitoba. The Smooth Rock Falls Guides, Ont., made numerous dresses and other items, and wrote twice for settlers' names, finally providing for 15 families. The 2nd Tillsonburg Guides, to show they were taking no kicked-up snow from the 1st Tillsonburg Scouts, wrote for the same number (25) western children.

Other Guide and Ranger Companies taking care of generous numbers of local and farm children included those at Fruitvale and Trail, B.C.; Patricia, Alta.; Leask, Raymore and Stranraer, Sask.; Carman, Man.; 3rd I.O.D.E. Windsor Guides, 4th I.O.D.E. Comber Rangers, Braeside Rangers, 24th Toronto, Carleton Place, Dryden, Hanover, Lucknow, Sprucedale, and Stirling, Ont.; 18th Westmount, Que.; and 1st Wolfville, N.S., Guides. Doubtless reports of many others did not reach Dominion Scout Headquarters.

Toy Shop Echoes

Quebec.—One of the effective features of the newspaper support given the Montreal Shop was the annually contributed cartoon by the famous cartoonist A. C. Racey. It depicted two wooden soldiers, one lacking an arm, the other a leg, but otherwise very erect and soldierly, standing before the Montreal Toy Shop door blowing a banged-up trumpet and beating a tattered drum, beneath the caption,



Results of a Scout Relief Barrel project carried out by the Scouts and leaders of Brownsburg, Que. Thirty-seven families were provided with food for a considerable period.

"The Call for the Parade of the Broken Toys."

As a result of similar unstinted news support by the Montreal papers, radio broadcasts and the work of a splendid organization of Scouts, leaders and Rovers, a new production figure of 16,400 toys was achieved. These were distributed through some 50 local charitable organizations, Catholic, Protestant and Jewish. In addition toys were sent directly to 500 children in the three prairie provinces.

Prominent and much interested visitors to the Montreal shop included Mr. E. W. Beatty of the C.P.R., President of the Canadian General Council of the Boy Scouts Association.

The Sherbrooke Scouts for their 8th annual effort proved that they were not tiring in good works by providing for 2,142 children, including their annual "100 settlers," and concluded their report in this scoutly fashion: "And we have a balance on hand for the 1933 Toy Shop of \$10.86."

Local conditions were reflected in the inability of the St. Johns shop to secure toys as in previous years. Nevertheless 500 children were provided for.

Granby, Que., provided for 300 local children, Riverbend for 250, and Stanstead, Rock Island and Beebe for all they could handle in their districts. Beyond local work, Waterloo took 30 settlers' children, Windsor 15 and Lachute, 10. Quebec City made a substantial contribution to the toys distributed in the local Christmas welfare work. Asbestos' Scout Santa in costume visited 32 families on Christmas Eve, in spite of inappropriate rain.

The Maritimes.—In the Maritime Provinces Saint John, Moncton, Halifax, New-Glasgow and Charlottetown repeated on their usual scale. Saint John reached a new children's total of close to 5,000. The usual unstinted support was given by the press, leading business houses, service clubs and the street railway company. A "wrapping crew" of six Rotarians made a new record by packing and addressing in one day parcels for 175 families.

As a new figure Moncton looked after 230 families in the district and six on farms in New Brunswick and Manitoba, for a checked up total of 1,121 kiddies. Toys also were supplied the Canadian Legion and a Christmas tree at l'Assomption Church. The local press, CNRA, the city police and the R.C.M.P. helped most effectively.

Fredericton, and Devon, across the Saint John river, suffered a late start through the difficulty of securing a suitable shop. Excellent newspaper backing, a toy matinee at the Gaiety Theatre and other good support plus hard work enabled them to supply a substantial list of local families and those of several nearby communities.

New Glasgow, N.S., another of those efficiently run Rover shops, played a generous Santa to 85 local families and sent gifts to 40 western kiddies.

Halifax, beyond its local distribution and parcels sent settlers' families in the province, again looked after numerous fishing families along the neighboring coast. The 9th Halifax Cubs sent in their annual request for "2

large families on farms."

Truro, North Sydney and Tatamagouche repeated effectively.

Charlottetown was able to care for local needy children and a number of farm families on the Island and in the west, and the Summerside Scouts played a major role in connection with the Christmas tree distribution at the town hall and to 160 children in the local hospital.

Manitoba.—The **Winnipeg Tribune** came into the toy repair shop field this season, secured the co-operation of the schools, and asked the Scouts to work for them. The Scouts however maintained their own identity and shop, handled some 2,000 toys and dolls, with the loyal help of the Guides; and provided for a list of institutions, prairie schools, Indian reserves and 400 settlers' children.

Lone Scouts and Girl Guides of Carman probably could claim the most unique toy shop—the old town jail. It was placed at their disposal by the Town Council, and the old place of punishment contributed to a splendid production of "happifying" toys for the children of 130 families.

As their first effort Winkler Scouts achieved the fine objective of 200 children, and the shop at Pine Falls made 40 children happy. The Stonewall Cubs and the Rosenfeld Scouts duplicated the good work of previous years by providing for both local and farm families.

Saskatchewan.—Notwithstanding the difficult conditions, the Saskatchewan shops, with the generous support of newspapers, service clubs and other organizations, took care of approximately 11,000 children, town and farm, another thousand being covered by mail from eastern shops.

Regina set out to provide for at least 3,000 local children, and in co-operation with the Soldier's Settlement Board to assure gifts for all soldier settlers' children. Difficulty was experienced in procuring toys in large numbers. The service clubs and generous contributions of toys from Robert Simpson Western Ltd., and Kresge Ltd., helped materially.

Saskatoon again reached a new mark—774 families of 3,549 children; and shipped bulk quantities to several outlying missions and a district Christmas tree in a newly settled area.

The Moose Jaw shop maintained its record of scoutly generosity and enterprise by calling for 300 settlers' children from the Ottawa lists, and looked after these beyond a heavy local list.

The three Prince Albert troops also reached a new mark by turning some 700 gifts over to the local social service bureau, and also took care of 9 outside settlers' families.

An outstanding shop among the smaller communities, not only for the province but for the whole country was that again operated at Rosetown (1,800 population). As a result of its consistent high-class work and service, this annual Toy Shop has become one of the district's leading Christmas enterprises, and is given the support of the entire community. The shop Visitor's Book this season showed a total of no less than 1,022 signatures,

including visitors from as far away as Ontario. Apparently every person visiting Rosetown in November or December pays the shop a call.

One reason for its unusual success is the shop's toy-making department, which produces annually a large proportion of the gifts distributed. Miniature grain elevators, grain boxes, trucks, tables, chairs, cradles, etc., are turned out on a mass production system. One item this season was six dozen doll cradles. Samples of toys sent Dominion Headquarters are equal to many for sale in stores.

The output for Christmas '32 took care of a little over 500 children of the immediate district, and 125 children in other parts of the province by mail. In addition a carton of 50 toys was expressed to a new district Christmas tree.

A good Rover job was done by the Yorkton Rovers. With the assistance of the Guides, some 200 toys and dolls took care of all the local needy children. A fine job also was done by the Unity Scouts, their third annual effort providing for 100 local children and 20 on farms.

Another distinction taken for the province was the operation of the "farthest north" toy shop by the Scouts of Meadow Lake, Prince Rupert, B.C., being passed by some two degrees latitude.

Alberta.—Planning with characteristic enterprise to meet unusual demands, the Calgary toy shop was under way in November, and worked steadily until Christmas. The usual unstinted support was given by the **Calgary Herald**, the Capitol Theatre, through a toy matinee; service clubs and big business firms. The result was 7,500 gifts distributed among 700 families in the district and 500 outside. A model delivery system worked out by a transportation committee and drivers of the Premier Laundry, and the loan of trucks by a long list of business firms, made possible the delivery of parcels to 700 families during Friday morning. Rovers headed the various toy departments, and Guiders and Rangers the doll section. Special work by individual units included the turning in by the 8th Calgary of 300 toys carried over from 1931 and repaired in the interval; the specializing on book repair by the 13th (Woods Christian Home) Troop, and assistance volunteered by members of the Tiger Hockey Club.

Another enterprising job was that of the Red Deer Rovers under their acting leader E. A. Wood. Settlers' names secured from Ottawa, and through milk route drivers, etc., to the number of 41 families of 182 children were taken care of. Excellent support was given by prominent business men. Manager Johnson of the Crescent Theatre was the first to appear with his "toy admission" to enter his own show house for a toy matinee.

Under Fire Chief Hardy, Lethbridge duplicated its well organized work of previous years. Wainwright signalized its advent in the chain by asking the names of 50 farm children. Another interesting newcomer, the 1st Jasper Troop, as a result of a toy matinee at the Chaba Theatre, sent

two large cases of toys to the Edson Troop for distribution. The film for the matinee was brought from Calgary by the Elks' Club.

A fine example of Rover work was offered at the Medicine Hat shop, which not only produced a sufficiency, but a superfluity of toys. Of the 4,019 gifts produced 2,464 were distributed in the city, 1,000 among farm children, and 450 carried over for next Christmas. An admirably prepared statement in the *Medicine Hat News* listed contributions and expenditures, showed a balance of \$8.82 and thanked all supporters, including the Greenland Theatre for its matinee.

British Columbia.—Brief word of British Columbia shops had come from Victoria and Prince Rupert only. Victoria recorded the splendid result of nearly 6,000 toys distributed among some 2,000 children—double last year's figures. The work was excellently organized, Guides and Rangers playing an important part.

The fifth annual shop of the 3rd Prince Rupert Group provided parcels for 40 local families, and 14 on farms. The Rovers figured prominently, and Guides handled the dolls. Toc H, the Elks, Fire Chief McDonald and a number of business firms and individuals assisted or contributed postage.

The Cranbrook Scouts operated a shop some eight weeks in the C.P.R. building. In addition to supplying the local needy they promptly met an emergency call for toys from Moyie.

Ontario.—Shops in 63 centres set a new Ontario figure. In this chain Hamilton maintained its premier position by an excellently organized central shop, assisted by a number of troop shops, and handled 13,200 toys and 1,020 dolls. Approximately 5,000 children were remembered, and a number of parcels mailed to Hamilton families placed on farms during the year. The dolls were dressed by Guides and a number of individual ladies. The Mechanical Train Club of the "Y" contributed some 200 reconditioned toy trains. The shop was open to the public on Saturdays 1 to 4.30, and was visited by a large number of interested persons, who were greatly impressed by the magnitude of the work in progress.

A number of Toronto Groups did notable work in individual shops. The 98th (St. Paul's Presbyterian) were at it in a well-organized way for two months, with the resultant production of 158 games, 1,447 toys, 257 dolls and 372 books. These were distributed among 93 Toronto families, and a bulk shipment sent an Anglican church mission in Muskoka. Incidentally this enterprising Group collected two and a half barrels of food items, for distribution with their Christmas gifts.

The 112th Torontos also did a well planned job, distributing over 400 toys; and the 99th played Santa to 50 neighborhood children. Other Group shops the details of whose work was not reported included the 6th, 23rd, 25th, 35th, 36th, 38th, 43rd, 58th, 69th, 74th, 77th, 92nd, 110th, 116th, 117th.

Oakville maintained its practice of several years by playing Santa to 100 settlers' children. This year the number included 30 kiddies of a small north-western frontier school who

never before had had a Christmas tree. Local children to the number of 250 also were remembered.

Another Christmas tree in a hard hit northern Ontario frontier district gave the Fort William Scouts an opportunity, promptly accepted, to distribute happiness among 64 children. This always dependable shop also provided 1,200 toys for hampers sent to 700 homes through the *Fort William Times-Journal* Christmas Cheer Fund.

Oshawa, Owen Sound and Kincardine lived up to former years. The Motor City Scouts, with the aid of their consistent friends of the city Fire Department and the Guides, provided for some 600 children. Beyond its local work Owen Sound made its annual shipment to 50 children west, and Kincardine its 35. The Kincardine report for the first time disclosed that the local Rovers had for three years been practically taking care of an exceptionally large "toy shop family"

CITY RELIEF COMMITTEE

The Boy Scouts of this City, having been asked to help in collecting used clothing, cooking utensils, stoves, mattresses and bedding for the needy, in presenting this hand-bill, ask for your co-operation in this necessary and worthy cause.

On November 26th a truck accompanied by Scouts, will call at your home and collect whatever surplus of above goods you may be able to give them.

Will you PLEASE check over your clothing, etc., and have your donation ready for the boys when they call.

If you have already given, just hand this bill back to the boys.

THANK YOU!

A handbill used very effectively by St. Catharines Scouts in collecting donations for the local Relief Committee.

in Alberta, with clothing, shoes, bedding, and from time to time substantial food shipments.

Notable work also was reported from Burington, where the Group Mother's Auxiliary knitted 35 pairs of mittens and provided nuts and candy for the parcels for 67 families; Mount Forest, which repeated by calling for 30 settlers; Dundas, which took care of 400 local children in co-operation with the Lions' Club; South Porcupine, which mailed to 25 outside children; Smooth Rock Falls, which played Santa to 35 district farm kiddies; Stratford, North Bay, Cornwall, Preston, Fergus, and the 26th Border Cities.

New shops this year achieving notable results included Espanola, Coldwater, Fordwich, Depot Harbour and Ridgetown, the latter mailing to 50 western children. The 1st Waterloo Pack accomplished the exceptional job of providing for 359 local kiddies, and the Port Hope Cubs for 30 families.

The Dryden Scouts and Guides together faced a heavy task in a community where there was great need, and made a splendid job of it through steady, self-forgetting hard work.

The Ottawa shop maintained its traditional endeavour to "send most toys west" by mailing to 938 children in 263 families. An interesting contribution to the shop's postage fund was \$5.00 left by Scoutmaster Norman Robson of the 1st Chingford Group, Essex, England, a newspaper correspondent at last summer's Economic Conference. A postage contribution from the 14th Ottawa (St. Andrew's) Troop was raised by a wastepaper drive staged by chance on one of the winter's sub-zero days. Guides and Rangers did their annual invaluable work with the dolls.

Lone Scouts played their part largely as individuals. A Lone Patrol at Port Elgin with some adult assistance raised a Christmas Cheer Fund of \$35.00, with which such practical items as 35 pairs of stockings, and 20 pairs of mitts were purchased, in addition to toys, and distributed on Christmas eve. Contributions included \$5.00 from the local C.G.I.T.

Newfoundland

An exceptional example of securing local support for the Christmas Hap-pifying job was offered by our brother Scouters of St. John's, the result being the filled stockings of 2,600 kiddies. A column report in the *St. John's News* was almost entirely given up to thanks to various organizations, firms, individuals; the *News* for daily stories, the Presbyterian church for the use of its hall, stations VONF, VOWR, VOAS and VOKW for broadcasts. A display window in one of the city's large stores depicted the interior of a poorly furnished bedroom and a little girl gazing hopefully at two ragged stockings, and above the fireplace the appeal, "Help Us Prevent the Tragedy of the Empty Stocking." In one corner a thermometer reported the progress of the toy collecting. A number of toy shop workers were allowed time-off by their employers. The project was directed by President Edward Foran and the enterprising Scouters' Club, a number of whose members, including the President, are Maritime Gilwellians.

SONGS FOR CANADIAN BOYS

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known authorities as B. K. Sandwell of "Toronto Saturday Night", S. Morgan Powell of "The Montreal Star", Hon. Martin Burrell of "The Ottawa Journal", and others. The attractiveness of the songs to boys has been shown by the enthusiasm with which Scouts and Wolf Cubs have already received the book when its songs have been introduced into the programmes of Troops and Packs.

The book may be had in two editions, with music at \$3.00, and words only at 25c., through the Stores Department, Dominion Headquarters.

**THE BOY WITH A SCOUT
REGISTRATION CARD HAS
THE BEST CHANCE OF
SECURING A POSITION**



NUMEROUS Santa Claus letters were turned over to Scout Toy Shops. Many were written in children's touching terms, from families in dire need. One unexpected comic note was struck in a letter to the Regina shop. It began: "Dear Satan."

Answering a provincial census form question, "How many of your Scouters were once Scouts?" Sudbury, Ont., with 18, and Kincardine, with 14, answered: "All of them." The percentage in other centres was high.

The first Provincial Patrol Leaders' Conference to be held in Summerside, P.E.I., brought together some 50 P.L.'s for a week-end programme of discussions and games. The six patrols were awarded competitive points for uniforms as well as games. A Scout equipment exhibit included samples of proficiency badges so far won by Scouts of the province. These were shown so that the young leaders might "see what the other fellows have accomplished," and proved very effective.

The 17th "A" Winnipeg Troop has a "woodcraft patrol," working on advanced Scouting. Only First Class Scouts are eligible.

A hustling Cub pack is that of the 5th Avenue Church, Medicine Hat, Alta., headed by Rover Murray Robison. A Cub play netted \$30 for equipment and decoration of Cub room. A further sum for camp equipment was raised by collecting cotton rags and medicine bottles. A Hallowe'en carnival brought in no less than \$50.00, for further clubroom equipment and next summer's camp. During the summer C.M. and A.C.M. installed a fireplace and some light gymnastic equipment.

The 2nd Sherbrooke Rovers have come to the aid of local Scoutmasters finding themselves unable to take charge of their troop for an evening by offering a substitute from the Crew.

The 10th Border Cities, Ont., held its usual New Year's eve party, and carried out its traditional practice of re-affirming the Scout Promise as the New Year came in, a simple but impressive ceremony. On the Saturday afternoon before Christmas the troop gave its annual entertainment of stunts, songs, sketches, tumbling, etc., before the children of the Essex County Sanatorium.

A troop of Scouts and pack of Wolf Cubs are being organized at the Provincial Training School, Red Deer, Alta. Officials of the institution, who will be in charge, believe Cubbing and Scouting will bring the boys many new interests.

Since the first of November a daily Scout messenger service has been provided for the Provincial Headquarters of the Red Cross Society at Saint John, N.B., one boy being on duty each day after school hours. The service is maintained without any attention by the Red Cross officials. The Scouts are warned for duty through the Scoutmaster, "and they never fail to be there."

The annual "Hunter's Stew" supper of the 1st Ridgedale, Sask., Troop, handled entirely by the boys produced \$10.00 toward their Christmas Cheer Fund.

The possibilities of Cubbing and Scouting in an unusually difficult community has been demonstrated with remarkable success over a period of seven years by Mr. and Mrs. A. E. B. Mason, respectively Scoutmaster and Cubmaster of the 64th Winnipeg (Robertson Institute) Group. Both are Gillwellians. The Cubs started the present season with an enrolment of 42, the Scouts with 36, and there is a Scouts' Own Bible Class with an average attendance of 25. At the November annual banquet, prepared by the Group Committee and attended by 140 persons, 61 service stars and proficiency badges were presented, and the Chaplain's badge to Rev. J. M. White.

A nice Christmas job of the 110th Torontos was the entertainment of 150 "down-town" children at a picture show, followed by a Christmas tree party at troop headquarters at Holy Trinity Hall.

For a going up ceremony of six Cubs to the 2nd New Glasgow Scout Troop, A.S.M. McLean called the troop to horseshoe, then C.M. Houlbrook called the Pack to the Rock Circle. The Cubs then gave the Grand Howl; A.S.M. McLean called all to the Alert for flag break which ceremony was performed by T.L. R. Mills. Scout Silence came next, followed by the Scout prayer said aloud by Patrol Leader J. Sinclair. Akela then introduced each Cub to the Troop; after shaking hands A.S.M. McLean introduced each to the various P.L.'s.

The 17th Winnipeg (St. Matthew's) Rovers hold their investitures in Kildonan Park, before the statue of Chief Peguis, the first Indian leader of the west to become a Christian, and who proved a valuable friend to the early settlers.

Edmonton Rovers have sent to the Rovers of Edmonton, England, the headdress of a Cree Indian Chief. When in England in 1931 Rovers Hiron and Cooper, the former returning from the Kandersteg Moot, were royally

entertained by the English Edmonton Rovers, and when leaving were presented with a bronze Scout statue of "Joy," designed by B.P. The head dress, of eagle's feathers and beaver skin, was specially made by the Indians of the Hobbema Reserve.

Plans to make it an annual event was one result of the success of the first two-evening and Saturday P.L.'s training course for the North Winnipeg District. Twenty-four P.L.'s attended, were organized as a troop, and through discussions and demonstrations dealt with a comprehensive variety of subjects, including new games and camp fire stunts. The conference closed Saturday night with a camp fire and reaffirmation of the Scout Promise.

An important part was played by a 14-year old Scout, Douglas Hogg, of the 1st Thorndale Troop, Ont., in the pursuit and capture of a bandit who had robbed the local branch of the Bank of Montreal. Scout Hogg entered the bank while the robbery was in progress, and with the teller and manager was forced into the safe. He quickly got out, as soon as the robber had left, ran to his father's hardware store, secured a .22 rifle and set off in pursuit. The bandit's car had stalled near the village school. While the man was endeavouring to steal another car, Scout Hogg came up and began exchanging shots with the bandit. He prevented the bandit starting the car until others arrived, when the man took to a field, was cornered and finally shot himself. In recognition of his part in the capture Scout Hogg received a Christmas present from the Canadian Bankers' Association of \$250.

Re Magazines for Work Camps

IN response to requests from the National Parks Branch and the Department of National Defence for aid in supplying relief work camps with reading matter an appeal was sent to the various Provincial Headquarters. The names of Scout Groups near the different work camps were asked, and these Groups were invited to take on the project. It was also suggested that Provincial Headquarters, through provincial Prime Ministers, offer a similar service for provincial camps.

It was made clear by the National Parks Branch and the Department of Defence that freight on reading matter would be paid by the officers in charge of camps.

Late information indicated that most of the camps near larger centres were being well taken care of by newspapers, service clubs and other local organizations. One National Park camp, Prince Albert, was noted (January 6) as not receiving sufficient magazines. The address of this camp is: J. A. Wood, Sup't, National Parks, Prince Albert, Sask.

REGISTER YOUR TROOP
EVEN IF UNABLE TO PAY
FEES. YOU MAY BE ABLE
TO SEND THEM LATER.

Out of Work

A Suggested R.L.'s Address

HERE are two ways in which you might act while temporarily unemployed: One would be just to wait, feel sad and indulge in self-pity, perhaps adopting an attitude of antagonism towards the people whom you believed to be responsible for your predicament. The other way would be to use all the brains you have, like a good football captain, constantly, intently on the alert to take advantage of the slightest opportunity to move forward.

Or, as another illustration of what should be your attitude at such times let me use the following: Imagine that I am standing before you holding some mercury in the palm of my cupped hand. While I keep my hand still it does not move,—but notice that it is ready, everlastingly ready at any instant to leave my hand and slide to the floor. It is capable and prepared and patiently waiting for the inevitable movement.

Of course opportunities must come to those who are prepared. Life is uncertain, and every day, due to death, disease, accidents, and old age, a great number of people are laying down their tools, never to pick them up again. And their positions must be filled.

The Mechanics of Getting a Job

First, make sure that you are aware of the different kinds of positions which you could fill. This means that you must know a number of people and discuss different types of jobs with them. Use your friends, get your contacts out in every direction, men and women who know you are clean and strong, well educated, ready and anxious to work. Adults have such an admiration for young men of that type that they get pleasure in helping them.

Second, study advertisements, not only in the daily papers, but make an effort to get the loan of trade journals. Search the papers and the journals before the ink is dry on them. Put enterprise and initiative into your search. The great Babson got his first position by noting a post office box number to which answers to advertisements were to be sent. He went to the post office, waited until the man came for the mail, then followed him to his office and applied personally for the job.

Third, advertise in the daily papers, but not unless you can make your advertisement somewhat different to the many others. In this seek expert help.

Fourth, visit the employment agencies, but first investigate each one to see if it is strictly reliable. Rather ugly stories are being told these days of some agencies accepting fees then providing only short time jobs.

Fifth, in reading the daily papers, look particularly for news items announcing new companies as being formed, or big engineering jobs about to be started and new offices opened.

Sixth, every day, all the day, act like a good Rover Scout and use your head to save your feet. Some people walk from office to office when they

should know that much of the information they seek could be obtained more quickly by telephone.

Seventh, think of doing something which apparently hasn't occurred to other people. I knew a commercial artist once who went to a firm of lithographers and asked for work. They replied that their staff was complete. "But," said he, "I will find my own work and sell my own pictures."

What to Do in the Meantime

I wish I could convince every one of you that a time of enforced leisure may offer you opportunities to read and study which may never come again. Most busy men wish they had more time to read and study. Each year of your youth is exceedingly important, so make the most of it. If you are a college graduate it may pay you to take another part-time course,—to learn a new language, to study music, art or law. You will thus be expanding your points of contact, and therefore your opportunities. You may find it much to your advantage later on if at this time you take a course in a business college, learning bookkeeping, shorthand and typewriting. Inability to keep books or to write a good business letter may later prove a serious handicap.

Again, this may be your opportunity—never to come again—to travel. Your people, if they have the money, may realize the desirability of allowing you to visit other countries.

Above everything else strive to keep in the pink of physical condition. Eat good food, take regular exercise and go to bed early. Keep busy. Remember fame never reaches through the window and pulls the lazy man out of bed.

And finally, don't get the blues. Say to yourself, "this too will pass. I'll do my best and leave the rest."

—Rambler.

Rovers to Lead Sask. Lone Scouts

THE 1st Regina Rovers have taken on the task of directing the Lone Scouts of Saskatchewan for a period of four or five years. An S.M. has been provided for each of the four provincial Lone Troops, and an A.S.M. assigned to supervise the work of each Lone Patrol. There are at present 126 registered Lone Scouts in the province.

KING'S SCOUTS AND EAGLES

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Which binds together two separate nations

And fortifies each by faith in the other.

The intermingled Scouts then joined in leading the singing of "Two Nations by the Sea," and the flags draping the tablet "commemorating the relationship of peace and good will long existing between the people and governments of Canada and the United States" were drawn aside.

A VALUABLE IDENTIFICATION AND CHARACTER CARD GOES WITH SCOUT REGISTRATION.

The 1933 SCOUT DIARY ANOTHER FINE POCKET HANDBOOK & NOTEBOOK for the CUB, SCOUT, ROVER and LEADER NEW MATTER

INCLUDES—List of "Scout Countries"—Canadian Standard Time Zones—3 pages on Mushrooms—Aid for Poisoning—Poisonous Plants—Food Purity Tests for the Camp Cook—"Talking Indian"

SPECIALLY FOR THE CUBS

The New Wolf Cub Badges—A Cub Test Record—3 pages of Cub Clock-Face Time Tests.

EVERY SCOUT AND CUB
SHOULD HAVE A COPY

Per Copy -----\$.20

AN advertisement for a principal for the school at Dysart, Sask., added to the usual specifications: "A warrant in Scouting or Gilwell Training will be given preference."

A Season's Crew Activities

THE skeleton report of a winter season's activities (October to March) of an active Montreal Crew includes these items:

Readings and Discussions.—"Rovering to Success," weekly. "Points for P.L.'s and Rovers." "Rover Dept. of The Scouter." Literary selections, poems, essays, etc. "Intellectual Resources." "The Bible," an article from The Scout Leader of January, 1932. "Bible Selections," weekly.

Discussions.—"The Scout Laws as Interpreted by Rovers." "What Is In The Twelve Year Old Mind?" "Is There Something Different About the Type of Boy Who Joins the Scouts?" "Swearing." "Character Types." "The Value of Service to the Individual."

Debates.—"Resolved, that Reading is More Beneficial Than Travel."

Entertainment and Social.—Singing. Suppers at den, after afternoon activities, followed by meeting (two). Refreshments at meetings (weekly).

Self Advancement.—Individual and Crew service comprised a substantial record of study at home, night school or college (including in one case the taking of flying lessons); service to Scout troops in many capacities, including "visiting Scouts' homes"; Christmas Toy Shop work; providing hampers for poor families; visiting children's hospitals; exploring slums and noting places in need of cleaning.

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

THE DUFFEL BAG

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

QST for Canadian Scout Radio Stations

A REQUEST has been received from the Director of the Scout International Bureau at Imperial Headquarters, London, for the names and addresses of all Canadian Scouts and Scouters operating licensed radio-telegraph transmitting stations. Address the International Bureau, care Dominion Headquarters, Ottawa, for recording and forwarding.

Showing a New Group the "Ropes"

A NUMBER of boys from Okotoks, Alta., the nucleus of a projected troop, visited Calgary and were conducted on a tour of Calgary Groups, to gain Scout-meeting ideas, by District Secretary Thompson. At the 4th Troop they saw an opening ceremony, at the 1st and 2nd they watched work in patrol corners, and at the 10th they heard a talk on forestry and witnessed a closing ceremony.

Ushering at Revival Services

AT a series of Sunday evening Evangelistic services held in a theatre at Saint John, N.B., and approved by all the local Protestant churches, Scouts in uniform acted as ushers and were in charge of the offertory. The bearing of the boys drew many appreciative comments.

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S.M.'s, Please See P. O. & R.!

DURING a discussion on "Uniform Uniform" at the Eastern Ont. Conference it was suggested that Scoutmasters more frequently refer to "P. O. & R." regarding correct-uniform details and the proper wearing of badges. It was mentioned that several Scouts who came to Ottawa for duty during the Imperial Economic Conference wore badges in wrong positions. Two Scouts from one troop wore similar badges in different places, and had to do some re-sewing before they were allowed to go on duty.

A Patrol Winter Hike Test

WHEN preparing for an all-day hike on a 5-below-zero Saturday last winter the P.L. of a 10th Calgary patrol was checking over the items of food and equipment. During the re-packing he managed to "overlook" all knives, forks, spoons, cups and plates, leaving the patrol with one nest of billies and a frying pan. The grub-stake taken consisted of canned soup and beans, bacon, bread and butter.

The shortage of "cooking and eating tools" was discovered when the patrol halted for lunch. They were not long stuck. Thin sandstone slabs were cleaned and heated, as plates for the beans and bacon. Forks were contrived of willow—peeled, split into three at one end and the prongs spread and lashed with thawed-out willow

bark. The Scout knives completed the knife-fork combination.

The soup was divided into thirds, one-third in the empty bean can, one in a billy and the remaining third in the original can; and drunk through the hollow dry stems of wild cowparsnip. Spoons for helping dispose of the beans were whittled from poplar sticks.

The empty cans, after boiling out, were saved to serve as cups for the afternoon cocoa. Handles for the cups were made by thawing out willow twigs to make them pliable, and lashing them round the tins.

The T.L. and two P.L.'s of this troop spent a week-end hiking with the temperature 20 below zero. For the nights they built a brush shelter with a reflector fire in front.

An Unidentified Bird Band

THE Department of National Parks at Ottawa has the report of a wild goose killed near Princeton, Ill., bearing a pink celluloid band inscribed, "Canada 99." This apparently unofficial band placed by a private individual, is not recorded at Ottawa. Its identification and particulars would be greatly appreciated.

Scout Dates

February

- 2nd—Candlemas, or "Ground-hog Day."
- 7th—Our American brother Scouts celebrate their 23rd anniversary.
- 10th—Mail birthday greetings to Lord and Lady Baden-Powell, Chief Scout and Chief Guide, Boy Scouts Association, 25 Buckingham Palace Road, London, S.W.1, England.
- 14th—St. Valentine's Day.
- 22nd—Joint Birthday of the Chief Scout and Chief Guide.

Assistant Tag.—(A variation of Chain or Snake Tag.) After a chain of three or four has been formed, the head of the Snake calls the name of another boy as an Assistant Tagger. His part is to chase other boys into the vicinity of the Snake, at the same time keeping out of reach himself. He remains Assistant Tagger until another boy is tagged by himself or the Snake, or he himself has been tagged meantime. The head of the Snake may delay the naming of an Assistant Tagger as he desires. This adds an additional element of fun, since any boy on the floor may be tagged by another boy near him who is suddenly called as an Assistant Tagger.

Colour Party, Scout Hats, Church

IN response to an inquiry regarding the wearing of hats by a Scout colour party in church which was passed on to Imperial Headquarters, the reply received stated that—

"Scouts in this country do not wear hats in church, but hang them on their belts before entering the building."

For Uniform International Uniform

"SOME ten or fifteen years ago it was easier to write about the characteristics of the Scout Movement in this or that country," writes Jan Schap in "Jamboree," in an article on Scouting in Holland; "but since then we have, I am glad to say, grown more and more into a real international movement, with a uniform organization, system of training, dress, etc., all according to the lead which our Chief Scout has given us. So for those who like to see a proof of national independence in all these contraventions from the original uniform, I am sorry to say that Dutch Scouts wear no caps and bonnets, even no clogs and baggy trousers, but the Scout Shop uniform."

Monthly Leaders' Suppers

THE very successful previous series of rotating monthly leaders' suppers is being repeated this year in Saint John, N.B., and bringing an average attendance of between 40 and 50. The suppers are served in turn by the Scout Mothers' Auxiliaries in different troop headquarters, at a fixed rate of 35 cents per plate, the resulting funds going to the treasury of the host troop. District Council officers and Troop Committeemen attend, warrants and charters are presented, and following the supper an interesting demonstration troop meeting evening is carried out. Meetings usually are attended by clergymen of different denominations. The cordial spirit of these regular gatherings in part explain the steady progress of Scouting in the district.

P. O. & R. Out—Use Handbook

THE Stores Department announces that the current edition of Policy, Organization and Rules for Canada has been exhausted. Since certain changes necessitated by the recently issued new edition of Imperial P. O. & R. still are under consideration, it may be some months before the new Canadian edition will be available. In the interim it is suggested that Scouters requiring a copy of the Rules refer to the last edition of the Canadian Handbook.

Apple Days Bring District Funds

SINCE the last issue of the Scout Leader these additional centres have been reported as holding Scout Apple Days, in nearly all cases with marked success:—

New Glasgow, Stellarton, Westville, Thorburn, Sydney, North Sydney, N.S.; Sussex, Dalhousie, McAdam, N.B.; Sherbrooke, Que.; London, Cobalt, Galt, Bracebridge, Georgetown, Border Cities, Grimsby, Chatham, Leamington, Weston, Ont.; Minnedosa, Man.; Regina, Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Radville, Sask.

Leaders desiring the latest information on the planning of a Scout Apple Day can secure this from their Provincial Headquarters.