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## Christmas and the Kiddies

"On my honour . . . to help others . . ."

A VACANT-  
store Toy  
Shop of the 98th  
Toronto, that re-  
paired and  
delivered over  
1400 toys.

A window card  
announced:  
"This store still  
for rent. Inspec-  
tion invited."

Considerable  
clothing was  
brought in; it  
was turned over  
to a nearby fire  
hall.

Repairing was  
done in the base-  
ment, each Patrol  
handling one  
department.

Here's a fine example from London, Ont. On October 15, Chairman Edgar S. Salmon of the London Toy Shop Committee, wrote: "This year our plan is to allot ourselves a quota of 500 toys for the west, these to come first."

At a general meeting in Calgary in September it was decided again to operate this always exceptionally well organized shop, "and a committee was appointed to find a suitable place."

A September Toronto Scout News column announcement invited contributions of repairable toys for the projected repair shops of the 34th and 58th Toronto Troops.

The annual Medicine Hat, Alta., Toy Shop is to be operated this year by the local Scouters' Club. It starts off with a balance on the right side of \$36, a legacy from the good management of last year's shop by the Hat Rovers. The Rovers in part financed the '34 shop by a largely attended Rover dance, which produced \$80.

Another of our "annuals" to announce plans—a shop which each year takes on a number of western families in addition to a heavy local list,—is Owen Sound, under direction of District Commissioner D. E. Macintyre.

Saskatoon, another of our outstanding "regulars," in the centre of a large area which it covers most efficiently, opened in October, following a meeting in September of the District Council and appointment of a Toy Shop Committee under chairmanship of Mr. R. M. Thompson.

As planned in September, the St. Catharines, Ont., shop opened during the first week of October, in a freight shed of the N. S. and T. A public school Toy Shower provided "a nice collection," and Scouts began their spare-time repairing.

Special interest attaches to the announced continuance this year of the Lethbridge, Alta., Toy Shop in the basement of the local fire hall. It was under the inspiration and leadership of Fire Chief William Hardy, who passed on to higher service during the year, that this Toy Shop made a splendid contribution to the Christmas happiness of hundreds of children of that district annually since 1927. The continuance of the work may be considered a memorial to one who in this and many other ways worked for others.

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WHILE conditions undoubtedly are improving, there are today in discouraged Canadian homes, in town, country and on isolated prairie farms, thousands of small children who are looking forward eagerly to Christmas, and Santa Claus,—looking with childish faith despite all discouragement by parents. And inevitably, from one cause and another, many of these little ones are doomed to disappointment and tears, and their parents to a renewed feeling of depression and discouragement because such things should be, even on Christmas Day.

It is our great annual privilege to prevent this simple but poignant tragedy in many homes. Last year we sent happiness to some 80,000 children. Let us endeavour this year to raise the number to 100,000. We can do this if every Scouter will give his boys the lead,—first to help make sure that every child in his district is remembered, then as many as possible elsewhere.

And in connection with this it is to be remembered that one small gift per child will "make the difference."

### The Prairie Children

Although the situation this year in some districts of the West was considerably improved, wheat rust brought yet another crop disappointment to thousands of farmers in wide areas of Manitoba and Saskatchewan, following the years of

drought. Other thousands who were moved from the dried-out areas, still are living under the crudest pioneer conditions, in log or sod huts. For the majority of these families the "making of a Christmas" for their children is completely out of the question; many are without proper clothing, some without footwear. A visit from Santa Claus would mean much.

It is part of the plan this year to again assist our brother Scouts of Saskatchewan in their big task by arranging for bulk toy shipments from the east. As last year, the province has been divided into three toy distribution districts, centred on Regina, Moose Jaw and Saskatoon; an arrangement which serves the double purpose of organizing distribution and preventing duplication.

Definite details will be given in the December Leader.

### Toy Shop Notes

A gratifying number of centres announced preliminary Toy Shop plans in September.

"The Scouts will be on the lookout for broken or old toys, which they will repair and make ready for the Christmas Cheer bag to help Santa Claus," was the announcement of the Provost, Alta., Scouts in their local paper.



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### Our Good-Byes to the Earl of Bessborough

OUR good friend and former Chief Scout for Canada, the Earl of Bessborough, was not allowed to leave without a final farewell on behalf of the Scouts of the Dominion, and by those associated with him in the guidance of the Movement during his term of office.

As representing Canadian Scouting boyhood, over 1,500 Ottawa Scouts and Cubs, joined by some 700 Girl Guides and Brownies (specially released from schools and colleges), gathered at Rideau Hall on the afternoon of Thursday, September 26 to pay a farewell tribute to the retiring Governor-General. It was down a driveway lined on either side with cheering boys and girls that His Excellency and Lady Bessborough took their official departure from Government House, driving slowly in the traditional open carriage, bowing and smiling, and obviously touched by the demonstration. Previously, they had strolled down the lines, chatting with District Commissioner C. E. Russell and other leaders, and individual Scouts and Guides.

The second farewell was said the following evening, at Windsor Station, Montreal, by Sir Edward Beatty, as President of the Boy Scouts Association; William Copeland Finley, President of the Quebec Association; Provincial Commissioner T. H. Wardleworth, President H. M. Hallward of the Montreal Council, and other prominent leaders of the province.

As a final tribute, Sir Edward presented His Excellency, on behalf of the Canadian General Council, with a large silver Loving Cup.

Appropriately, the last group of Canadian Scouts to be inspected by the retiring Dominion Chief was a smartly uniformed guard of honour of King's Scouts, lined up on the platform.

Following is the inscription borne by the Loving Cup:

*This Loving Cup is Presented, on September 27, 1935, on the occasion of his departure from the Dominion, to The Earl of Bessborough, P.C., G.C.M.G., Governor-General and Chief Scout of Canada 1931-1935, by The Canadian General Council of the Boy Scouts Association.*

*May this gift be a constant reminder of the Council's grateful appreciation not only of helpful guidance extended to the Association by the Earl of Bessborough throughout his term of office, but especially of leadership given during 1935 in the first national*

*financial effort ever made for Canadian Scouting. The success of that appeal will enable The Boy Scouts Association to widen their efforts for the future, in answer to the striking challenge so to do issued in 1934 by the Chief Scout for Canada.*

### Alberta's Indian Greeting to Lord and Lady Baden-Powell

FOLLOWING is a translation of the Indian pictograph greeting presented Lord and Lady Baden-Powell at Edmonton during their recent tour of Canada, a reproduction of which appeared in the September *Scout Leader*. The picture message reads from the centre.

"Greetings O Big Chiefs, Spotted Eagle and Otter Woman. From your Brother Scouts in Alberta comes a most sincere wish for happiness and health for you. May your paths be easy and your days many. We will ever try to follow in your footsteps and be inspired by your shining example to become good Scouts and we pray that when the Great Spirit beats his tom-tom to call us to the Happy Hunting Ground we will be able to say we succeeded. We humbly beseech the Great Spirit to watch over you and ask that peace and plenty be yours for the rest of your days."

### B.-P. Standard Honour List

THE following additional Scouting units have contributed substantially to the membership expansion campaign by organizing at least one unit and the Group Committee of a new Group, the new unit and Committee having carried on successfully for six months, as reported by Provincial Headquarters:

**4th Hamilton Crew, Ont.,**  
organized 9th Hamilton Pack and Troop and Group Committee.

**4th Galt Troop, Ont.,**  
organized 2nd Preston Troop and Group Committee.

**1st High River Troop, Alta.,**  
organized 1st Nanton Troop and Group Committee.

### Scout Correspondents Desired

By—

A Scottish Scout aged 16.  
An English Rover Mate and A. S. M., aged 21, would correspond with one or two Scouts or Rovers.

A New Zealand Troop connected with a St. Andrew's Church would correspond with Canadian "St. Andrew's Church" troops.

A New Zealand A.D.C. and Scoutmaster would correspond with several Canadian Scouters.

### Again Reminding Us—

OCCASIONALLY, but not as often as might be, Scouters pause to remind themselves that the eager, noisy, responsive, patience-trying, lovable, hero-worshipping lads before them are but a few years from manhood,—are in actual fact the "men of tomorrow."

The following clipping from the Scout News column of *The Daily Star*, Windsor, Ont., brings another reminder, and a tribute to a leader who has never lost sight of the fact that he was importantly helping to shape character for the years ahead.

Last Tuesday night we attended a Crew meeting at which plans for a 25th anniversary Troop banquet were being discussed. Twenty-five years is a mighty long time, and in that time more than a hundred lads had passed through the troop, pausing just long enough to get a good clean character foundation under the sensitive hands of one of the greatest moulders of character Scouting in Windsor has ever produced.

It was interesting to sit back, and take note of the lads, now grown men, as their names were read from the list of former members. One was in Moscow, attending a convention of biologists. Three others were in England. A fifth was in South Porcupine, a sixth in Philadelphia, another in Detroit, an eighth in Toronto, another in Sarnia, a few in Quebec. To the four corners of the globe they had scattered. Listed among them were doctors, lawyers, dentists, biologists, mineralogists. To every profession the troop had contributed its representatives.

Adds the Editor: "It was awe inspiring!" And this of the Scouter concerned:

Today he is as keenly interested in character building as he was years ago, when he accepted an invitation to "drop in" on the troop. He did "drop in," and he stayed. He is a man who seeks no laurels for himself; rather does he avoid them. Never a day slips by but he helps someone, somehow, somehow. A truly great man, whose modesty would force him to kill this story, could he know it were being published.

### Apple Days Valuable to Farmers

WE have stressed the value of Scout Apple Days to Canadian farmers. In October the *Ontario Farmer's Advocate* discusses the matter at length, and unqualifiedly declares their advertising of "tremendous" importance, in view of the number of new dessert-apple orchards coming into bearing in the province.

Scout Apple Days usually are given free window display space, notes the editorial, "generous newspaper publicity, and often free radio announcements. In what better way could Ontario-grown McIntosh Reds be introduced to Ontario consumers?"

The editorial estimates that Scouts could annually dispose of 5,000 bushels, this "meaning more than half a million apples, sampled roughly by the same number of people."

And the same half-million people, we might add, would again be made "Scout conscious."



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Also repeating an arrangement of former years, through the kindness of Manager A. W. Shackelford and staff of the Capitol Theatre, Lethbridge, a Scout Toy Shop Matinee was held on Saturday morning, October 12, the admission "a toy or 10 cents."

A newly organized Rover Crew will be given an opportunity to show what it can do in directing Guelph's annual Toy Shop.

When announcing their Toy Shop plans through the local press, Swan River, Man., Scouts asked: "Can you help us equip our workshop by giving us old and unneeded tools from your own workshop?"

From the *Niagara-on-the-Lake Advance*: "Although it still seems a long way until Christmas, there is one of the planned community services of the Scouts that cannot be started too early. This is the Christmas Toy Repair Shop,"—which is again operating in co-operation with the local branch of the Canadian Legion.

One of the early-announced newcomers in this year's Toy Shop Chain is Elmira, Ont.

A Model Scout Christmas Toy Shop was operated by the 5th Hamilton Troop at the annual Y. M. C. A. Hobby Fair in October.

To raise funds for their annual Toy Shop, Moose Jaw Scouters secured permission from the City Council to hold a Scout Apple Day in October, and began at once completing arrangements for beginning this year's work. The delegation, which appeared before the city fathers, President H. D. Pickett, K.C., of the Scout District Council; Past President O. H. Zimmer and Secretary A. Saunders, outlined the work accomplished by last year's Toy Shop,—gifts for 324 Moose Jaw children, 140 in adjacent school districts, 100 of Canadian Legion families and 304 on dried-out farms,—and their request was promptly granted.

### A Few Reminders

**Publicity**—In the larger centres well planned publicity is always necessary, both to secure general understanding and support, and specifically to procure sufficient discarded playthings and other material required. This means a small Publicity Committee. For smaller centres an enterprising Rover will do the work effectively.

In all cases one of the first steps is to visit the City Editor of local papers, to make sure he understands the project and to ask his support. He will give instructions regarding the turning in of Toy Shop copy. In some cases a reporter will be named to cover the Shop.

During the last several years radio stations have given local Toy Shops excellent support. These announcements may include an invitation to the public to visit the Shop at named hours, to observe the work in progress.

Particularly valuable publicity in Calgary has been the operation of a Scout Toy Repair Shop in the toy department of the Eaton Company Store.

*A CORNER of Calgary's last Toy Shop.*

*A Department that cannot get along without our sisters the Guides and Rangers.*

*It should be started as early as possible because of the always heavy call for dolls.*



The publicity possibilities of the Toy Shop itself will not be overlooked,—attractive windows displaying toys "Before and After"; Scouts doing actual repair work; window arrangements which permit a view of the entire activity of the shop; attractive large-lettered signs across the front, or better still, across the sidewalk, etc.

**Shop Organization**—Of recent years there has been a tendency to abandon a large central shop for several district shops, and in some instances for individual troop shops. This probably is a matter of local conditions and geography, and should be considered from that point of view. There are advantages in each arrangement; but unquestionably the bringing together of Scouts and Scouters in the busy atmosphere of the large central shop carries the work along with a swing that is not realized in the smaller shop.

Dividing of the shop into several departments has become an established practice—Receiving, Wooden Toys, Mechanical, Books, Painting, Dolls, etc.

The use of as many Scouts as possible in toy repair work should not be overlooked. From the first, one of the important values of the project has been the personal contribution of individual boys.

**Sources of Toys**—For procuring toys in bulk the public school "Toy Showers" and movie theatre Toy Matinee have been most successful, and in many places have become annual events. In the case of city schools the common practice is to secure the co-operation of the Chief School Inspector, who sends a circular to all principals and teachers, for reading or posting. For individual schools the request of course is made direct to the principal.

Friday is the day usually named for Toy Showers, and arrangements are made with trucks and volunteer cars (sometimes through a service club) to pick up the contributions early Saturday morning. A point should be made to collect such toys early, so as to interfere as little as possible with the regular Saturday work of janitors.

The Toy Shop Matinee, usually Saturday morning, is arranged personally with the manager of the theatre. Famous Players Corporation have issued a booklet on the subject, and members of the Capitol Theatre Chain have been especially

generous in their co-operation. In most cases Scouts receive the toys at the door, and act as ushers. Truck arrangements should be made to clear the theatre lobby of the accumulation of toys promptly, and Scouts should tidy up the theatre in good time for the regular afternoon opening.

A source of toys not often touched is the service clubs,—for toys and story books stored in garrets. One such appeal brought a surprising collection of books.

Make an early application to stores selling toys and books for damaged articles. Some surprisingly large contributions have come from this source.

An increasing number of Scout troops have been making wooden toys, at home, in the manual training departments at school, at troop headquarters.

**Working Materials**—In most of the larger centres generous contributions of paint, varnish, glue, nails, screws, etc., are now regularly received from business firms. A card may be placed in the Toy Shop window acknowledging the source of such help.

**Funds**—A certain amount of direct expense usually is involved; for the Toy Missionary Shops who send gifts to outside points there is postage or express to meet. Special Scout Apple Days already have met this problem for several shops. Certain shops regularly invite passers-by, by window card announcement, to share the Christmas Good Turn by contributing parcel postage. Other means used successfully include waste paper collection, teas and sales of one kind and another through the co-operation of Ladies' Auxiliaries of Groups or churches; Rover dances; "bridges," etc.

### A Western Call for Dolls

A CALL has come from Moose Jaw for dolls, of which they were entirely cleaned out last Christmas. Two hundred, requiring minor repairs, are needed, and the Girl Guides are ready to start at once on "newing" them and making the necessary clothes. Will any Eastern shops having a carry-over send what they can. Address Scout-Guide Christmas Toy Shop, Care The Boy's Shop, Moose Jaw, Sask. And kindly inform the Toy Shop Secretary at Dominion Headquarters.



## A Midsummer Composite-Troop Experiment

A MONTREAL experiment in running a composite outdoor evening meetings during the summer holidays, for the benefit of Scouts unable to attend camp and those desiring to carry on before or after camp, was a most promising success, as indicated in a report made by D.S.M. Alan Ingham, "Chairman, Summer Activities Committee" of Montreal district.

The report will be of general interest, but particularly to other city districts, as a well considered attempt to solve an acknowledged weakness of our year-round programme—the dropping by many troops of regular Scouting activities during July and August save for the period in camp.

A series of 16 meetings, 8 on Mount Royal and 8 at Maisonneuve Park, were attended by 195 Scouts, 31 Scouters and 3 Rovers, or an average meeting attendance of 11 Scouters, 1 Rover and 55 Scouts. Twenty-eight troops were represented; and "Comments and Suggestions" note that there are many Scouts left in the city during the summer who are ready and anxious to keep up Scouting, that the required leaders are available, and that many who are reluctant to carry on their own weekly meetings through the midsummer period, are interested to join such composite meetings.

The programmes comprised small-group instruction and examination in Second and First Class tests, games and camp fire singing.

Another successful Montreal summer project was the operation of a series of week-end camps at "Camp Bois Franc," a readily accessible site on the outskirts of the city. Scouters voluntarily took turns in supervising the camp, and the attendance of Scouts varied between 100 and 160. A substantial number of practical Scouting badges were passed, including Naturalist, Prospector, and Starman.

Following are paragraphs from the composite meetings report:

**Preliminary Work.**—On Saturday, June 8th, following a circular explaining the scheme, an experimental meeting for officers only was held on Mount Royal, at which there were only 17 Scouters present. This was followed a week later by a meeting on Saturday, 15th June, on Mount Royal for Patrol Leaders of the Sphinx Honour Patrol, at which there were 6 officers and 24 Patrol Leaders present. On Wednesday evening, June 26th, an open meeting was held on Mount Royal to inaugurate regular weekly meetings, at which there were 12 officers and 96 Scouts present.

**Meetings on Mount Royal and in Maisonneuve.**—Following the preliminary meetings detailed above, outdoor meetings were regularly held on Wednesday evenings in two places,—Mount Royal and Maisonneuve Park. Only once was it necessary to cancel the meetings on account of inclement weather.

**Programme.**—The general system adopted was to assemble about 7.30 p.m., parade for flag-break, then divide into small groups for instruction and exami-

nation in 2nd and 1st Class tests. Occasional games and singing, and flag lowering about 9.00 p.m., concluded them. The meetings were made possible and successful by the loyal co-operation of the officers who attended regularly and gave their services as instructors and examiners.

**General Comments and Suggestions.**—The general result of the work this summer, while apparently small, exceeded the anticipations of the sponsors. While no attempt is made in this report to deal with period and week-end camping, both of which will be dealt with in that Committee's report, it should be borne in mind that many of our city boys were regularly attending Bois Franc Camp. It is also probable that many Troops and several Packs have continued to operate during the summer, but it has not been possible to get any comprehensive survey of this side of the question. The week-night open meetings, however, seem to indicate several things:

- (a) That there are many Scouts left in the city during the summer ready and anxious to keep up Scouting.
- (b) That there are enough Leaders available to carry on the work.
- (c) That many Scouters will prefer to join in composite meetings of the type conducted, to running their own weekly Troop meetings.
- (d) That efficient publicity in the spring would much improve the attendance.

While there are many aspects of summer scouting not yet explored or dealt with in this report, there are several definite suggestions to put forward:

- (a) That the work should be energetically continued by a Council Committee appointed at the Annual Meeting.
- (b) That the locations be increased to cover Northern and Southern Districts.
- (c) That an additional evening per week be used in one or more locations.
- (d) That the Wolf Cub situation be dealt with next season.

## Towards That Hundred Thousand

SINCE the issue of the Governor-General's 100,000 membership appeal 600 additional Scouts have been enrolled in Manitoba.

An increased membership of 700 was announced at the September meeting of the Montreal District Council.

Toronto's new District Commissioner, Mr. W. H. J. Tisdale, and his Assistant Commissioners, were pleasantly launched on the new season's activities as evening guests of former District Commissioner and Mrs. S. B. McMichael, at their home. Expansion matters were discussed, and Mr. McMichael showed a series of motion pictures taken by him during the summer.

At an autumn meeting of the Moncton Scout Association District Commissioner Buzzell reported several French-Canadian Scout Troops in process of organization in the district. They were assured of a hearty welcome from the association.

The Sea Scout Patrol of the 1st Fort Frances Scout Group, Ont., has been expanded and reorganized as the 1st Fort Frances Sea Scouts, with a separate Group Committee.

Charlottetown's 8th troop has been organized, in connection with Trinity United Church.

A Scout Group is developing at Canora, Sask., under the auspices of the local branch of the Canadian Legion.

"Many of those interested in work among younger boys of the community are pleased to know that at least several of the heads of various churches have met and are sponsoring a Boy Scout Troop. . . . Mr. Hugh Percy has secured a long list of names of those who wish to join up with the Scouts, which seems to indicate that this rejuvenated movement will be a success. . . . To those who are responsible goes the word 'Good luck' and 'Carry on!'—*The Recorder, Boissevain, Man.*

Fort Frances, Ont., has a new Troop of 25 boys connected with the local Catholic Church.

As the result of efforts on the part of District Commissioner Keenahan and other Fort Frances, Ont., Scouters, a Group has been well and truly launched at Barwick, with the establishment of a Group Committee of leading citizens and the selection of Principal Bebb of the local school as Scoutmaster.

A troop is in process of organization at Trochu, Alta.

A pack and troop have been organized at Borden, P.E.I., and a troop at O'Leary.

Organization has been completed of a troop of Scouts on the Indian Reservation near Fort Frances, Ont., with Fr. De Bragette as Scoutmaster.

A fourth patrol of the 1st Rouyn Troop was formed at the second meeting of the fall season. The troop meets in the Protestant school.

Having brought about the launching of a Scout Troop at Barwick, Ont., leaders of the 1st Fort Frances Group plan a second visit, to put on a concert for the benefit of the new troop.

From Scout Notes in *The Tribune*, Minnedosa, Man.,—"We got a welcome surprise in response to last week's appeal to old Scouts for assistants. An efficient and promising A.S.M. has come forward in the person of Fred Telford."

Reorganization of the Crow's Nest Pass district was inaugurated by District Commissioner J. W. Gresham at a meeting held at the Court House, Blairmore, Alta.

Enterprising Scouters at The Pas, Man., have launched a new Cub Pack in connection with Westminster church.

An interesting item from Quebec records receipt of \$3.00, for registration of six Scouts of a new troop at Harrington Harbour, 775 miles from Montreal, a tiny fishing village touched only by occasional supply boats in summer, and by dog team and airplane in winter. The Scoutmaster is Rev. John D. Dicker.



## From the 8th International Conference

A REPORT on the deliberations and resolutions of the 8th Biennial International Scout Conference, held at Stockholm, Sweden, August 5-7, during the World Rover Moot, appropriately begins with cordial congratulations to the Chief Scout of the World on his wonderful recovery from a serious illness, and with an assurance of "loyalty, respect and affection for the Founder and Chief by the Boy Scout Movement."

**Thanks and Appreciation** were expressed for the hospitality extended by His Majesty the King of Sweden and other members of the royal family, the Swedish Riksdag, the City of Stockholm and the Scout Association of Sweden, both in connection with the International Conference and the World Rover Moot at Ingaro.

The conference placed on record its appreciation of admirable work done by Mr. Hubert Martin, Director of the International Bureau, by Mr. R. T. Lund, Secretary and by M. Guerin-Desjardins, the Official Interpreter.

Appreciation was expressed "For the valuable support and assistance given to the Boy Scout Movement by the Heads of Nations and States from which Boy Scout workers have received great encouragement"; and "appreciation to the men and women holding high positions in the realms of public service, of business and of the professions, to the Churches and the Press for the valuable assistance rendered."

**Tribute to Scouters** A considered tribute was paid working Scouters: "This Conference desires to renew its expression of gratitude for the invaluable services being rendered to the boyhood of the world by the Scouters of all branches of the Boy Scout Movement. This Conference assures them of its admiration for their self-sacrificing work, and its determination to support them in every way, being convinced that in no more effective manner can loyalty to God and the State, and adherence to a high code of conduct be promoted. The men and women to whom this Resolution refers may rest assured that their work will be enduring, and must help towards mutual understanding and goodwill between Nations."

**The League of Nations** Cordial thanks was extended to the League of Nations for sending a delegate to the Conference, "whereby the League reaffirms its belief that the Scout Movement is an important instrument in an endeavour to establish and maintain the peace of the world."

**A Cubbing Proposal** With reference to the subject of international co-operation in Cubbing the Conference approved a proposal for the exchange of information relative to the Cub Branch, with a view to constructing a simple scheme to enable Cub specialists to widen their experience and consider their own programmes in the light of what other nations are doing. It was further suggested that future delegations to the

International Conference should include at least one Cub specialist.

**The Next Jamboree** World Jamborees were discussed at length, and it was decided that they should continue to be held at intervals of four years.

A resolution thanked the Boy Scouts Association of Holland for the invitation which they hoped to extend within the next three months to hold the next World Jamboree in Holland in 1937, an invitation which the Conference would cordially accept.

**Jamboree Camp Organization** Regarding World Jamboree camp organization it was decided that there should be one camp, divided into two sections: Section A, a group of sub-camps consisting of the contingents from all countries, including the host country; the contingent from the host country being not larger than the largest contingent from any other country. Section B, another group of sub-camps consisting of Scouts from the host country only. No limitation of numbers in either group unless the host country wishes to limit the numbers in Section B.

**Contingents of Scouts Only** On the important matter of World Jamboree Contingent make-up, the Conference decided that contingents should include only Boy Scouts (with a due proportion of Scouters). If any Rover Scouts are included in contingents their numbers should be strictly limited, and they should be present for definite camp duties only.

The minimum age for participants in World Jamborees should ordinarily be 14 years.

**Flags at Jamborees** The Conference decided that on formal World Jamboree parades, when marching past a saluting base, each nation should follow the custom of its own country as to lowering flags or not.

## Wolf Cub Crusoes

ALONE on a desert island—such was the case at our last meeting. With the jungle transformed into Robinson Crusoe's isle, the Cubs spent one night living over again the life of the great man. Listen to his story.

When Crusoe first found himself on the desert island which was to become his home, he heard mysterious noises coming from the depths of the forest and started out to investigate. These queer sounds corresponded to the Grand Howl and Crusoe's investigation to inspection.

What would you need as necessities if cast upon a desert island? The Cubs soon guessed food and water, but it was some time before they managed to figure out that fire was necessary to cook the food.

Crusoe's first need was water. Everyone became a Crusoe, and each one in turn had to jump across a small inlet to get to a tree which stored fresh water in its trunk.

Having found water, he cast about him for materials to make a fire and a box of matches hidden in wreckage.

One day Crusoe found that some young green shoots of grain were growing where he had thrown some rat-eaten kernels. Each boy was given five small sticks and as the Sixer gave the signal to his Six, they went down on their toes and made a design on the floor and then "grew up." The first six with all its shoots standing straight and tall was the winner.

Next came the terrible day when Crusoe found the footprint on the sand. Soon after this he found that cannibals often visited the island and one day Crusoe rescued some of their victims. As the horde of savages played themselves out with their dancing feast, Crusoe crept silently down and rescued, one by one, the victims.

Suddenly one day a schooner was sighted and Crusoe made haste to call its attention to his island. The sixes ran off to their corners and in two minutes they

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CUBS get a lot of fun out of Scout Apple Days, and are always popular salesmen. These helped in the new-record success of Toronto's third annual effort for Ontario apple growers and local Scouting; the fund this year for a much needed district camping area. To date 74 Apple Days were reported in Ontario, 5 in Nova Scotia, 2 in New Brunswick, 3 in Manitoba, 1 in Saskatchewan and 1 in British Columbia—in total meaning for farmers thousands of extra and badly needed dollars.



## The World Chief Scout's Visit

(Continued from October)



ONE of the striking features of the World Chief Scout's stay in Winnipeg, the torchlight procession to the Scout Beacon, the big night event of the city's Silver Jubilee celebration.

**Ottawa.**—The Capital's welcome to Lord and Lady Baden-Powell was extended by a gathering of nearly 5,000 Scouts and Guides, Cubs and Brownies from nearly 30 Eastern Ontario and adjacent Quebec centres at the Auditorium on Saturday, May 18th. It was the largest assembly of Scouts and Guides ever held in Ottawa, and was augmented by many thousands of the general public. A party of American Scouts from Ogdensburg, N.Y., added an international flavour.

The entry of seemingly endless Brownie Packs and Guide Companies opened the programme. There followed demonstrations by the Brownies and Guides, the entry and massing of the flags, the march-past of the combined units, then the banking of Brownies and Guides on one side and the Cubs and Scouts in the other half of the arena for the memorable addresses by the Chief Scout and Chief Guide.

To open the Cub part of the display eight composite packs of selected Cubs had the highly prized honour of giving the Grand Howl with the great "Old Wolf" himself in the centre of the ring. A popular number of the items that followed was a pirate ship which sailed the length of the arena, made blindfold prisoners walk the plank and performed various other murderous deeds with great gusto. Following this, brisk games carried on simultaneously in eight pack circles,—hoop rolling, skipping, leap frog, book balancing, making a Union Jack, etc. The finale was a council circle and parting song.

From the point of view of the audience the feature number of the Scout display was a smartly done presentation of the famous musical ride of "N" Division, R.C.M.P., performed to band music by a prancing troop of Scouts on hobby horses, under direction of Staff-Sergeant Soames of the Mounted.

The scoutcraft display, put on by four composite troops of Ottawa Scouts, comprised the building of huts and shelters, with fireplaces and gadgets; the erection of a Scout stave bridge and signal tower, the latter quickly topped by a signaller; friction fire making and clever tumbling by an athletic team. As a comedy feature a Ben Hur chariot race was carried on around and through the various display groups. The Chief Scout spent some time inspecting the completed scoutcraft work.

During the week-end stay in Ottawa as guests of Their Excellencies the Governor-General and Lady Besborough at Rideau Hall, the Chief Scout presented His Excellency with the Silver Wolf, in recognition of his important contribution to the advancement of the Movement in Canada during his period of office as Chief Scout for Canada. On the same occasion the World Chief Scout presented the Silver Wolf to Chief Executive Commissioner John A. Stiles, in recognition of his many years of important service to the Movement.

A combined banquet of Scouters and Guiders and friends on Saturday night at the Chateau Laurier, a largely attended and colourful event of unusual interest and success, was addressed by Lady Baden-Powell and by Col. Walton on behalf of the Chief Scout, whose taxing day had necessitated an evening of rest.

On Sunday afternoon a gathering of Rovers and R. L.'s at St. Andrew's church enjoyed a long and intimate discussion of Rovering with the I. H. Q. Commissioner for Rovers.

**Montreal.**—Accompanied from Ottawa by Mr. T. H. Wardleworth, Provincial Commissioner for Quebec, Lord Baden-Powell slipped into Montreal quietly, during a needed rest period. A civic reception by His Worship Mayor Houde at the City Hall was his official welcome to the city, and in the evening he was guest of honour at a combined banquet of Scout and Guide leaders and friends at the Windsor Hotel. Here he delivered one of the notable addresses of his tour, a stirring and widely quoted appeal for continued unity among the Scouts of the world, and throughout the British Empire, as a contribution toward world peace. At the conclusion of the address the Chief Scout presented the Honorary Silver Wolf to Mr. R. C. Stevenson, in recognition of outstanding service to the Movement in Quebec, and as a member of the Dominion Executive Board.

There were three Montreal rallies, all held on May 24th, Empire Day. The first, preceding those of the English speaking Scouts and Guides, was an assembly of Scouts Catholiques at Lafontaine Park. Here the Chief Scout was warmly welcomed by Mgr. Chaumont, Vicar General, a large group of prominent French-Canadians and 1,000 French-Canadian Scouts. To the delight of the boys Lord Baden-Powell addressed them in French.

The big rally, held in the Forum, brought a record gathering of some 4,000 Scouts and 2,000 Cubs from Montreal and numerous points in western Quebec. It was an assembly notable for its smartness of uniform, a fact commented upon by the Chief Scout. The well planned programme was in accord with this note of attention to detail.

Fittingly the opening was left to the exuberant Cubs, a dramatic rush-in of seeming thousands of small boys, who formed two huge circles, held their breath as the great Chief Scout himself entered the ring, then gave the Grand Howl as they probably never had given it before. In equally effective exit, they finally passed out writhing and hissing in the dance of Kaa. Later in the programme they returned in groups of packs, to put on a lively floor-full of Cub games, and in conclusion 200 formed across the floor the letters of the Chief Scout's name.

The effective opening of the Scout programme was the entrance of a group of dancing Indians, introducing an "Historical Pageant of Canada" in twenty-five tableaux. After the Indians, who depicted "Before the White Man," there followed "Cartier at Gaspé," "The Foundation of Quebec," "Arrival of the First Missionaries," "Hebert, First Farmer" and his plow; "Founders of Montreal," "Intendant Jean Talon," with a pink feather in his cap; "Coureurs des Bois," "Foundation of the Hudson's Bay Company," and on through the coming of the English, "Confederation," the "First Transcontinental Railway," and in up-to-date conclusion, the "King's Silver Jubilee."

An efficient demonstration of pioneering came next,—the building of bivouacs, an Indian tepee, a signal tower, a lashed flagstaff, and down the centre of the Forum floor a huge trestle bridge capable of sustaining a load of six tons. The Chief Scout and his party strolled about inspecting the various activities, and finally crossed the big bridge.

The "Pioneers" cleared the floor to make way for a most interesting Parade of the Proficiency Badges, in varied ways representing each of the 74 subjects,—not overlooking the comic, with a Dairyman's cow whose hindquarters seemed to be "agin the government," and the Horseman's prancing charger.

Different types of Scout training were next shown—rope spinning, life-saving land drill, singlestick, quarterstaff, pyramid building and boxing. Rovers contributed some English folk dancing and Rover Sea Scouts rope climbing and a tug-of-war.

Concluding the floor programme came a spectacular march-in, in two columns, of the 4,000 Scouts,—circling first in fours, then eights, then sixteens, and finally massing before the Chief Scout in two great solid squares of boyhood, between which to the strains of "Land of Hope and Glory," came the long line of waving flags, King's Colours and the picturesque heraldic flags of Montreal District.

The conclusion was a huge council fire circle, with songs; and it was in this scoutly setting, standing beside the indoor camp fire, that the Chief Scout spoke.

The music for the occasion was supplied by the Vickers' Scout Band, and as their accustomed service the 1st Ste. Anne de Bellevue Troop maintained a first aid



station. The historical pageant was organized under the direction of Dr. G. Gardner.

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**Quebec.**—The "Ancient Capital," the stage for so many historic happenings, wrote history into the pages of Canadian Scouting during the visit of Lord Baden-Powell. At the Bishop's Palace, May 27, in the presence of a group of high church officials, in their robes, and prominent Scout leaders in uniform, the World Chief Scout, himself in Scout kit, and His Eminence Cardinal Villeneuve, clothed in the brilliant vestments of his office, signed the document which formally links in parallel co-operation under the Canadian General Council, La Federation des Scouts Catholiques de la Province de Quebec and the Boy Scouts Association,—a document which, as forecasting rapid growth of Scouting amongst French-Canadian boys, may in future years be regarded as one of the cornerstones of a new era of understanding and co-operation between French and English-speaking Canadians.

The group comprising this historic tableau included, in addition to Lord Baden-Powell and His Eminence Cardinal Villeneuve: Mgr. Laflamme, Canon Casgrain, Canon Chouinard, Ecclesiastical Commissioner the Rev. A. Simard and Provincial President Major Curmi, of La Federation des Scouts Catholiques; and representing the Boy Scouts Association: Mr. T. H. Wardleworth, Provincial Commissioner; Col. William Wood, District Commissioner for Quebec; Mr. John A. Stiles, Executive Chief Commissioner, and Col. Granville Walton, of the Imperial Headquarters staff.

Demonstrating this rapprochement in spirit, and in illustration of its combined possibilities at rallies, some 1,500 Scouts and Girl Guides of the two movements in eastern Quebec from as far west as Three Rivers put on one of the most colourful and entertaining demonstrations of the Chief Scout's tour.

The rally was held at the Coliseum at Exhibition Park on the evening of May 28th, in the presence of over 5,000 spectators, and a distinguished official party. Those on the platform besides Lord and Lady Baden-Powell included His Eminence Cardinal Villeneuve, the Lieut.-Governor and Mrs. E. L. Patenaude, Mgr. Laflamme, Bishop and Mrs. Lennox, Mgr. Camille Roy, rector of Laval University; His Worship Mayor and Mrs. Gregoire, Provincial Commissioner T. H. Wardleworth, Jean-Marie Bureau, Commissioner, and President Curmi of the La Federation and other prominent Scout leaders, district, provincial and Dominion.

The programme alternated Scout and Guide contributions, and combined French and English speaking Scout units in a contrasted succession of numbers that added marked interest for the spectators.

Lord and Lady Baden-Powell spoke first in French and then in English, and were received with the greatest enthusiasm. Brownies opened the floor programme, then came the first Scout presentation: Injured-person carries by the 3rd Quebec, knot work by the 4th, hand signals by a Three Rivers troop, first aid by the Manrese and Holy Martyrs' French troops, and bridge building by the troops of Notre Dame du Chemin and St. Francois d'Assise.

A Guide display followed, then came the Cubs, with a roof raising Grand Howl by the combined 1st, 2nd, 4th and 6th Quebec Scout Association packs, the 1st,

2nd, 4th and 5th Cubs Catholiques, and packs from Shawinigan and Three Rivers. All joined in very well done dances of Shere Khan and Kaa, during which B.-P. strolled about, speaking with boys and leaders.

The Cubs scurried off to make way for another contingent of Scouts,—the 1st and 2nd Quebecs in wall climbing and a staff game, tent pitching by the St. Jean Baptiste Troop and Scout games by the troops of Notre Dame de Grace and St. Coeur de Marie.

A costume number by the 7th and 9th Girl Guides of Quebec claims special mention for its French-Canadian colourfulness. This was a "Veillee du Bon Vieux Temps," a traditional evening in a French-Canadian country home. Realistically was presented a gathering of relatives and friends to celebrate the feast of St. Jean Baptiste, with the mayor and mayoress as guests of honour. There were the lively scenes of arrival, then a quadrille joined in by young and old, to music by the traditional fiddler and concertina; the scene concluding with refreshments and good-byes, all done with charming verve.

Following this pleasing variation came more Scouts—Thetford Mines, St. Louis, St. Dominique, Laval and Quebec Rover Sea Scouts. The latter did a brisk breeches buoy rescue, and the other troops a demonstration of signalling.

The final, and another outstanding number, was ensemble singing by some 600 Scouts under the leadership of the Rev. Emile Jobidon; and in conclusion their leading of the large assembly in the singing of the National Anthem.

During the evening Lord Baden-Powell presented a District Commissioner's Warrant to Lt.-Col. J. C. Vining of Three Rivers.

At Quebec, Col. and Mrs. Walton left the Chief Scout's party to return to England, in connection with arrangements for the forthcoming Rover Moot in Sweden; and the Chief Executive Commissioner, Mr. John A. Stiles, took up the Imperial Headquarters Rover Commissioner's role of meeting Scouters and discussing Rover problems.

## Is Our First Aid Training Good Enough?

**ANALYSING** the team scores in the Cohen Shield Ambulance Competition, which approximates our Wallace Nesbitt Junior provincial contests, *The Victorian Scout*, Australia, makes several comments which we in Canada may consider with profit. Says the writer:—

For a team to score 80 per cent. in any subject is good work, and we find three teams scoring over 80 per cent. (88, 86, 86) in Ambulance, which shows what good work can be done. And we find that in the totals for all subjects three teams (not the same three) score over 80 per cent. of the possible (over 524 out of 655). But, while only one team scored less than 70 per cent. for all subjects combined, only the three teams mentioned as scoring over 80 per cent. scored over 70 per cent. in Ambulance. One team scored exactly 70 per cent. and half the competing teams failed to reach 70 per cent., their scores being 56, 53, 52 and 20.

Ambulance work is probably the subject of all the subjects which is likely to be of greatest value in after life. Why then this weakness? My own idea is that the greater part of the instruction, at any rate in the earlier stages, should be given in the form of short (say ten minute) lessons, but these lessons should be given at every parade; also, as far as possible, every boy should have equal time as a patient. By the time that all that can be taught in short lessons has been handled the boys will be ready for longer practices.

## WOLF CUB CRUSOES

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tried to think up all the ways by which they could signal to the ship.

And that is the story of Robinson Crusoe as played by the pack. And as the ship slowly gathers speed, the Grand Howl once more signifies Crusoe's farewell to his island and the answering echoes ring again and again through the forest which knew him so well.—11th Saskatoon.

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SCOUT water sports which included swimming, diving, tub racing, and a fishing-motorboat race, proved a big success at Summerside, P.E.I. The relay swimming race was won by the 1st Alberton Troop.

#### Lt.-Gov. of N. B. Presents Medal

Recognition of 15 years of keen and practically shown interest in Scouting in Saint John, N.B., was expressed by presentation of the Medal of Merit to Mrs. G. Wilford Campbell at a large gathering at the Admiral Beatty Hotel of Scouters and members of many Group Committees. Presentation was made by Lt.-Gov. MacLaren as Chief Scout for New Brunswick.

Examplifying good "Scout family" co-operation, Scouts and Guides of Merritt, B.C., put on a whist and dance, and contributed the proceeds toward wiping off the debt on Rover Hall.

#### "Lake Shore's" Largest Church Parade

Nearly 200 smartly dressed "Lake Shore" Scouts—from New Toronto, Mimico, Milton and Oakville—assembled at headquarters of the 1st Oakville Troop for the district's largest church parade, to St. Jude's Anglican church. The service was conducted by the Rector, and the address delivered by Scoutmaster William Hills, a theological student of Wycliffe College.

For the huge assemblies in Varsity Arena and Maple Leaf Gardens in connection with the visit to Toronto of General Evangeline Booth of the Salvation Army, October 4-6, Toronto Scouts provided the large staff of ushers required.

#### "Working Hard to be With Them"

As reported by Scout scribes in *The Capital* Three Hills, Alta: "Five Scouts moved into First Class ranks. They are Art Horsley, Lewis Brenson, Earl Clark, Cam Ainsworth and Homer Edwards. Everyone else is working hard to be with them."

An offer to double funds being raised locally for the building of a Scout hall at Weymouth, N.S., has been made by George D. Sack, a summer visitor from New York.

#### A Live Eastern District Rally

Knotting, first-aid, signalling, fire lighting, tracking and athletics made up the programme of the annual St. Johns District September rally held at Farnham, Que. Groups were present from Bedford, Valleyfield, Lacolle, Otterburn Park,

St. Johns and Farnham. Results: The Trotter Cup, for best all-round troop, to the 1st Lacolle Troop, the Kenneth Murray Shield for woodcraft and nature study to the 1st Farnham, the Victor Jewkes' Trophy for athletics to the 1st Valleyfield, and the O'Sullivan Wolf Cub Trophy to the 1st McMasterville Pack. The visitors were welcomed to Farnham by His Worship Mayor Gosselin.

Scoutmasters Bennett of the 2nd Cornwall and Black of the 4th were present at the fall re-organization meeting of the 1st Cornwall Troop—to show interest.

#### Keeping the Committee in the Picture

Scout knives to each member of the Fox Patrol of the 1st Mount Forest Troop, as winners of highest marks during the summer camp, were presented at a combined meeting of Pack, Troop and Group Committee. The Wolf Patrol, runners-up, were presented with a first-aid kit.

As an autumn season project each patrol of the 14th (All Saints) Winnipeg is concentrating on a King's Scout Proficiency Badge.

#### Better Programmes

"This week saw most of the city troops well under way with their fall programmes; and they hope to have better programmes than ever for this coming year's activities." —*Lethbridge Herald*.

For their County Fair, Galt, Ont., Scouts provided a service unit of 12 Scouts for the horse ring, ran a messenger service, gave miscellaneous help at the Women's Institute Building, and looked after the inevitable "lost children."

#### A 99-Year Camp Lease

St. Paul's Scout Group of Saskatoon is the fortunate possessor of a camp site, ten miles from the city, leased to it for 99 years. Other district Groups have been given the use of the site.

By arrangement with the City Parks Board the 6th Moose Jaw Troop has undertaken to look after the park swans during the coming winter.

600 Montreal Cubs and Scouts and leaders took part in a Saturday afternoon autumn field day on Mount Royal. An assembly and flag raising at 3 o'clock was followed by breaking of the units for participation in various athletic, Cubbing and Scouting events. The afternoon concluded with a march-past, with colours, to the playing of the Vickers' Troop Scout

Band. A demonstration of Indian ceremonial was staged by Rosedale Scouts.

#### B.C. Troop Intervising

A fraternizing event for boys of the 1st and 2nd Nelson, B.C., Troop was the visit of a bus load of Scouts from Salmo, for an evening of lively games, including blind boxing, at the Nelson Scout Hall. Supper was served by a group of Scout mothers, and the whole affair was voted a big success.

Collection taken up at the Sunday Scouts' Own held at the Saskatchewan Gilwell Training Course at Lebrét was sent to the Warden of Roland House, London, and duly acknowledged, with appreciation.

#### Northern Ontario's Annual "Week-end"

For the Labour Day week-end annual Timiskaming-Cochrane district Scout Jamboree leaders and Scouts were present from Kapuskasing, Kirkland Lake, Cochrane, Iroquois Falls and South Porcupine. The Scouts camped Friday night and conducted activities all day Saturday, concluding with a big programme in the skating rink in the evening. A Scouts' Own church service was held on Sunday. The trophy for proficiency in scoutcraft was won by the Kirkland Lake Scouts.

So popular has become the annual October Queenston Hobby Fair, sponsored by the local Boy Scouts and held in Laura Secord Memorial Hall, that it was this year made a two days' event. The show is open to boys and girls of the Niagara District under 21 years of age, and prizes of cash and merchandise are awarded.

#### Manitoba Scouters Debate Live Questions

The total of 40 Scouters from Brandon, Hartney, Melita, Minto, Winnipeg and Souris attended the 3rd Annual District Scouters' Conference, held at Masonic Hall, Souris, Man. District Commissioner Lightfoot presided. Discussions included "The Value of Rallies," led by District Commissioner Broadhurst of Brandon, and "Expansion" by Cubmaster Oglesby, also of Brandon.

"The Biggest Thrill of the Fair" was the enterprising announcement of the Boy Scouts of Coldwater, Ont., regarding their "Boy Scout Museum," at the local fall exhibition. The 5 cent admission fee produced \$14 for the troop funds. The museum included Indian and pioneer relics, natural history freaks, etc.

#### Quebec Emphasizing the "Out" Badges

The substantial list of 987 proficiency badges passed to the end of July at Camp Tamaracouta, Que., included: 4 Canoe-man, 6 Camper, 8 Tracker, 51 Forester, 36 Knotter, 39 Pioneer. Apparently reflecting an increased interest in gold hunting, 29 passed for Prospector; and possibly to make sure of good eats on such ventures, 140 for Camp Cook. Other interesting figures were: 77 Interpreter, 161 Master-at-Arms, 138 Athlete, 75 Swimmer and 52 Rescuer.

At the unveiling of a memorial to the 104th Regiment at Fredericton, N.B., by Mrs. A. A. Dysart, wife of the Premier of New Brunswick, District Commissioner Alvah Good, attended by one uniformed



Scout, and District Commissioner K. M. Stewart, attended by one uniformed Girl Guide, represented respectively the local Boy Scouts and Girl Guides associations.

#### Again First Aid Preparedness

A prompt demonstration of the effectiveness of their training was given by Boy Scouts of Port Dalhousie, Ont., immediately following dedication of a new camp site by their Scoutmaster, Rev. J. A. Phillips. Just as the little ceremony concluded word came from the nearby beach that a bather had been overcome. Catching up a folding cot as a stretcher, Scoutmaster and boys ran to the scene, and helped in treatment that brought the bather's recovery.

A shack suitable for a headquarters for \$25.00 and the lease of several adjoining vacant lots at the nominal rental of \$1.00 per year was the appreciated contribution made by the Moose Jaw City Council toward solution of a meeting place for the 3rd Moose Jaw (St. John's) Group.

#### An Exchange of Flags

American Boy Scout visitors to Ontario this summer included a party of 53 from Norwalk, Conn., who were shown over the Welland canal district, and joined in an international Scout camp fire at the Niagara Falls district camp. The American lads took home with them a Union Jack and the Niagara Falls Scouts an American flag, the gift of the American Vice-Consul Elton Hoyt.

A Scouts-and-Families picnic party of Swift Current, Sask., Scout Groups, Committees and Ladies' Auxiliaries was such a success that it probably will become an annual event. There were competitions and games for everyone. Cars and trucks were used as transports to the picnic grounds.

#### First Aid by an S. A. Scout

Good first aid work was done by a Salvation Army Scout when a cyclist, in a dense fog, ran into the rear of a car and suffered a sprained wrist and a bad cut on the forehead. The Scout, who declined to identify himself further than to say he was a member of the Cedarvale S.A. Scout Troop, and had learned his first aid under Brigadier Rufus Spooner of Salvation Army Territorial Headquarters, Toronto, secured ice from a nearby farm to make a compress for the sprain, and used his tie in improvising an effective head bandage. The incident was reported by the American motorist concerned, who was greatly impressed by the lad's efficiency.

New colours were presented by Major G. Howard Brown of the local branch of the Canadian Legion to the 1st Watford Troop, on local Decoration Day, and received by Scoutmaster the Rev. A. W. Hart. The Scouts then assisted in memorial ceremonies which were attended by over 1,000 people.

#### Another Successful Saskatchewan District Rally

The annual autumn district rally at Kerrobert, Sask., brought together troops and packs from Kindersley, Empress, Loversna, Major, and Kerrobert for a Saturday programme of Cub and Scout competitions (points to units, and not individuals). Kerrobert again won the District Shield, with Kindersley and Loversna close competitors. At the usual

big evening supper, attended by Scouts and Scouters and leading citizens, Canon W. D. Hasell presiding, His Worship Mayor Campbell extended the town's welcome. On Sunday a Scouts' Own at St. Paul's Anglican Church was addressed by Scoutmaster the Rev. J. D. F. Beattie.

#### Moncton Holds a Cub Jamboree

150 Wolf Cubs, including the 4th Sackville Pack, took part in Moncton's highly successful first Wolf Cub Jamboree, held on a Saturday at the camp site at West Lane, District Cub Commissioner Ruby Young in charge. During the programme of sports and games the King trophy was presented by His Worship Mayor Thomas H. King to St. John's Pack, for highest standing in the all-year district competition. The outing closed with an enjoyable evening council fire.

#### Also Regina

The first district meeting of Regina Wolf Cubs took the form of a Saturday Jamboree at Garner Scout Park, each Pack "supplying its own weiners, rolls, cocoa and a cooking pot." Cars picked up Cubs lacking transportation at an advertised street corner.

#### Indicating a Well-run Orphanage Troop

An indoor council fire meeting, with refreshments served by the Sisters of the Home pleasantly opened the autumn programme of St. Patrick's Orphanage Troop, Saint John, N.B. In the presence of Rev. Fr. Ramage, the Sister Superior and staff, members of the Group Committee and leading Scouters of the district, several boys were invested, a silver cup presented Scout Eric Johnson for greatest progress in swimming, and Scout belts to the members of the Fox patrol as winners of the summer camp patrol competition.

125 couples attended a dance held under the auspices of the 1st Sudbury Group. The hall was decorated in green and gold.

#### P. L.'s Prepared the Feast

Patrol Leaders of the 12th Regina prepared "a very acceptable feast" for the opening autumn meeting, at which a Gold Cord and a number of Service Stars and Proficiency Badges were presented, and five Cubs brought up and presented with the Leaping Wolf. P. L. J. Flynn and Scout R. Flynn, shortly leaving for England, were presented with mementos from the troop.

#### Another Well Planned Fall Launching

The Galt Council of the Knights of Columbus were hosts to 60 boys of St. Patrick's Scout Troop of Galt, St. Clement's Troop of Preston and the 1st Hespeler Troop at a farm corn roast. During the evening three Scouts who had passed Separate School entrance examinations with highest marks were presented with \$10.00 scholarships. The programme included a five-minute "amateur hour," coronet solos, Scout songs, and an address by A. D. C. Wheeler of Galt.

An "international" Cub evening—in this case China—as outlined in the September Scout Leader, (a means of presenting the international feature of Cubbing before a pack), was put on most successfully by the 3rd Fort William, as the first of a series. The Cubs were "much interested in this new adventure."

Under direction of Scoutmaster Everett Pelton of the 3rd Troop, Halifax Scouts rendered excellent service as ushers at the Nova Scotia Fall Exhibition.

#### A Farewell Party for the Going-Ups

A farewell party for 17 members of the 1st Bowmanville Pack about to go up to the troop was made a memorable event. After the usual opening exercises, the entire pack was taken to a movie, then to the Cubmaster's home for "weiners, rolls, cookies, cocoa and candy." Who wouldn't want to get into that pack!

Calgary Scouts will erect an archway entrance to the new Little Red Deer bird and game sanctuary recently opened near Innisfail. It is expected that the sanctuary will become one of the popular camping grounds of the province.

#### His Entertainer's Badge Was Practical

Lone Scout Ken Farrell of Finch, Ont., proved that the qualifications for the Entertainer's Badge were of practical value. By entertaining stunts at concerts in his district he earned sufficient money to buy a new uniform, and meet his expenses to the B.-P. Rally at Ottawa.

First and second prizes in the airplane model contests at the Halifax Fall Exhibition were won by Scouts Gordon Waugh and Kenneth Smith.

#### Neatest Uniform, Knotting, Fire-lighting

The 12th St. Catharines Sea Scouts captured the Silver White Shield for high points at the annual District Scout Field Day, held on the collegiate campus, nine troops competing. The contest included: Neatest Uniform, Knotting, Troop Relay, Fire Lighting, 75-Yards Dash, Equipment Race, 440-Yard Cycle Race, Quarter-mile run. Firsts taken by the Sea Scouts included Neatest Uniform, Knotting, Fire Lighting, and Equipment Race.

#### A "Dramatic Action" Contest

A new feature this year of the Ottawa District Annual Cub Field Day competitions was "Dramatic Action". This called for the telling by the Cubmaster of a story, and its immediate acting out by his pack. The innovation, introduced by District Cub Commissioner Arthur Ward, aroused keen interest. First place went to the 1st North Gower Pack, for "The Good Samaritan." The District Totem Pole, awarded for Grand Howl, jungle dances, knotting and closing pack ceremony, plus the "splendid feature"—was won by the 7th Ottawa (Sacred Heart) Pack.

#### Good Losers

As a variation in camping this summer the 5th Brockville (St. Peter's Anglican) Troop joined the Ottawa district camp, and proceeded to win top points for Best Patrol, medal for Best P. L. Leadership and cup for Best All-Round Scout. To prove that the Ottawa Scouts did not begrudge these honours, a party under District Secretary Jack Armstrong motored to Brockville and presented the awards at an outstandingly enjoyable and largely attended Parents' Night.

Eleven Halifax district Scout Groups now own cabins on the Miller's Lake reforestation and wild life conservation area: 1st and 2nd Dartmouth, 1st Impeyroyal, and 1st, 3rd, 4th, 9th, 13th, 14th, 17th Halifax, and Halifax "Gyro."



## "Old" Rover Scouts

**I**N view of the apparently widespread discussion of the subject in Canada, the following article on "Old" Rover Scouts by a "Rover Rambler" in September SCOUTING IN NEW SOUTH WALES will be read with interest by R.L.'s. The suggestion of a new grouping of older Rovers in special-interest Guilds will be noted with particular interest.

**C**RITICISM and comments of your (New South Wales) Rover Scout readers are urgently required in connection with a proposed new basis for Rover organization. Both individually and collectively we want comments so that we may gauge whether the scheme is workable or possesses any points worthy of a place in the present scheme of things.

Many of us have expected greater things of Rovering than what we actually see. I will not go into all the ills of Rovering—we are all too well aware of them to make this necessary—but mention of one or two salient facts will not come amiss.

Rovering seems to hold the majority of us until we become 23 or 24 years of age, then the old Crew loses its one time appeal, we can't work in with the younger element as we used to, and so we fade out.

Now each of us is usually particularly interested in some mental or physical activity; we may be an enthusiastic philatelist, long distance runner, student of economics or psychology, amateur actor, or photographer, and we naturally look for others who are similarly interested, and if, as very often happens, the other members of the crew have little in common with us, we must eventually discard the crew and all its associations for new fields which prove more attractive.

In most crews the members are a fairly diversified lot—each being an individual personality—and the sole reason they are still drawn together is the now waning bond of boyhood Scouting which makes them reluctant to sever connection with the movement, but is not enough in itself to provide enduring adult comradeship which is formed upon a basis far different to that of the boy or youth.

There must be something more than common Scout experience to bind Rovers together, and the motto of "Service" does not do so—it is far too nebulous an idea for the average Rover to build a substantial structure of friendship upon.

(This is very controversial, I know, and I expect criticism, but as this letter was written for that purpose I will not hide my head in shame.)

Now for an alternative: Seeing that a common goal is necessary, can we not arrange for all who are interested in the same things to work together? Could we formulate a scheme whereby Rovers are organized on a basis of mental and physical activities instead of indiscriminately in crews as at present?

I submit the following for comment, and the Rover Commissioner (New South Wales) will be very pleased to listen to all you have to say for or against it:

1. Scheme for Rovers to be left as it is for Rovers up to the age of—say—23.
2. Rovers over 23 to be organized recreationally or intellectually in "Guilds," each Guild having a particular branch of sport or knowledge as its reason primarily for existence—e.g. running, swimming, wrestling, physics, geology, carpentry, chess, etc.
3. Representative Guild Rovers to be appointed to Guild Council which

could control activities of various Guilds, arrange for Guild Instructors, and synchronize activities.

4. Guild Instructors to be appointed to act in conjunction with Rover Leader or Rover Mate.
5. Rovers to be able to transfer from one Guild to another at end of period which may be 3, 6, or 12 months.
6. Minimum number for Guild Crew—say 12.

While the idea of the Guild Crew is to provide a common goal for those who are desirous of pursuing some particular study or recreation, it is in no way intended to supersede other crew activities, but is to draw together Rovers who will prove congenial companions for each other and whose aims, pursuits, and desires will be the same.

I am well aware that all this is most revolutionary and that there would be many obstacles in the way of putting any of it into practice. It would not be easy, but so far no other scheme has been tried or discussed as far as I know.

—"Barney" (Rover Rambler) in *Scouting in New South Wales*.



ONE of the valued memories of "Gilwell"—the council fire, its songs, its stories, its serious talks; the quiet of the night, the shadows, the mystery of trees in the dark; the spell of the fire, the sense of fellowship. This, a memory of Alberta's Camp Kootenai Course, 1935.

### A Rover Art Society

**W**ORCESTERSHIRE Rovers recently formed a Worcestershire Rover Art Society. The objects of the Society are:—

- (1) To perform, if required to do so, any County works of art such as posters for camps and rallies, illuminated addresses, notices, trophies, etc.
- (2) To photograph and/or sketch all important County events and keep a suitable album as a permanent pictorial record.
- (3) To submit schemes to County Headquarters for the decoration and improvement of County property, such as their permanent camping ground.
- (4) To bring together all Rover Scouts in the County interested in art in any form (wood carving, painting, oils and

water colours, photography, metal work, leather work, lino, and wood cuts, clay modelling, etc.), and hold an annual exhibition.

The new society will begin to function in time for the winter season.

### Regina District Moot

**R**EGINA'S Labour Day week-end District Rover Moot was an enjoyable and profitable get-together. An important result was the decision to set up a District Rover Council, of Rover Leaders and elected representatives of the various city crews; the purpose of the council to be the co-ordinating of various district Rover activities.

The discussion of Rover objectives emphasized the belief that the first duty of a Rover was to establish himself in the world, and to prepare a foundation for his future life. Secondly, he could render valuable assistance to the Scout Movement by preparing himself to instruct in special subjects or to take over the direction of a troop or pack.

A new activity mentioned in the discussion on local service was assisting with hospital libraries. Other forms of service mentioned included blood transfusion and co-operation with clean-up campaigns and Christmas Toy Shop work.

A Sunday morning Rovers' Own was addressed on "Scouting and Religion" by Rev. C. M. Cameron of the North Side Presbyterian Church.

### A Washington Rover Climbs Mt. Rainier

**A**FINE example of Rover adventure project, well and carefully prepared for and coolly and courageously carried out, was given in the ascent of a previously considered impossible face of Mt. Rainier by Rover Leader George Daiber, of the Vancouver Rover Crew, of Seattle and two companions.

There will be added interest to Canadian R. L.'s and Rovers in the fact that Rovering was recently adopted officially as a branch of the Boy Scouts of America, after some years of observation and study, notably in the State of Washington under the well known Executive of that area, Mr. Stuart P. Walsh.

Particular attention has been given by



Mr. Walsh and his associates to the "senior scouting" phase of Rovering—camping, winter and summer, hiking and mountain climbing; and R.L. Daiber's climbing feat, and the careful preparations made, may be regarded as a good example of American Rovering in the outdoor field, and of which we may expect to hear more.

Says October *Cedar Chips* of the climb: **G**EORGE Daiber, better known as "Ome", former Scoutmaster of Troop 284 and now the leader of the George Vancouver Rover Crew in the U district, added to his mountaineering achievements last week by climbing Mt. Rainier by way of the Willis Wall, a feat heretofore considered impossible and never before attempted. His success is a good example of putting the Scout Motto into practice.

Many weeks of planning and preparation were necessary to furnish sufficient knowledge to make the climb practicable. Aerial photographs were taken in June of the entire northwest face of the mountain, and then they were enlarged so that the smallest details could be seen and the best route laid out.

Danger from avalanches was a very important factor to consider. This season of the year was chosen to make the attempt because the sun is on the other side of the mountain and avalanches are less likely to occur.

"Ome" and his two companions, Jimmy Barrow and Arnie Campbell, started up the Carbon Glacier early in the morning, on Saturday, September 28. They spent three nights on the mountain, Monday night on Columbia Crest, the summit, and all with no bedding. Their heavy wool clothing had to be sufficient to keep them warm. They were down at Paradise Inn four hours after they left the summit Tuesday morning.

The equipment they carried included a Primus oil stove, crampons, ice axes, rope, grease paint, etc. Their food was dehydrated and concentrated.

All three men are experienced mountaineers, and were in the best of condition due to constant training. If weather conditions had not been the best, they probably would not have made the ascent. "Ome" has led many mountain hikes in the Olympics and the Cascades. Last spring he was chosen as a member of the Alaska expedition to the St. Elias range and the Upper Yukon.

### A Colours Dedication as a District Affair

**T**HE possibilities of colours ceremonies to which all units of a district are invited, and the public interest in such events, was illustrated by the recent Sunday-afternoon dedication of a new stand of colours of the 1st Hespeler (St. James' Anglican) Group, Ont., and later the placing of the flags in the church. Cubs, Scouts and Rovers from Preston, Kitchener, Waterloo and Guelph to the number of 500 participated, and under A.D.C. Wheeler formed an impressive parade to the Queen's Theatre. The theatre was taxed to capacity, numbers of the public not being able to gain admittance.

The service was conducted by Rev. W. Simpson, rector of St. James', assisted by the church choir and a quartette from Galt. District Commissioner L. L. Lang presented the colours to the 1st Hespeler Group Committee, the Committee passed the flags on to Scouters Neath and Kreig of the troop and pack, and these leaders in

## The Q.M.'s Chat

Brother Scouters:

*You will find inserted in this issue a special page displaying the 1935 Christmas Cards.*

*Perhaps you may think the Stores Department a little ahead of itself in suggesting the buying of cards two months before the festive season. It's a case of giving the early bird a chance at the worm, for only a limited stock is available, and those birds who delay ordering may find the "Sold Out" sign up.*

*You will agree that the cards are genuinely out-door scouty. In their bright colours they are even more so.*

*You will note that with the cards we have coupled the 1936 Canadian Scout Diary. The reason—many Scouters purchase the Diary as a personal gift to their boys either for Christmas or New Year's.*

*From time to time I receive inquiries, both from new and older Scouters, as to the most suitable books to read in connection with their work. One reason perhaps is that the Catalogue offers such a large selection that it is a problem to choose.*

*At a recent Scout Secretaries' Conference, attended by delegates from every province, the books by "Gilcraft" were highly and unanimously recommended for their usefulness and soundness. These books, all of which are listed in the Catalogue, cover a variety of subjects from Cubbing to Rovering. So when in doubt, order a "Gilcraft" dealing with the subject desired.*

*And now for the month's smile.*

*"A pretty girl who was collecting contributions for a hospital approached a man sitting at the wheel of an expensive car. "No", was his surly answer, "I contribute regularly to that hospital."*

*"No doubt," said the pretty girl, "but we're collecting money today, not pedestrians."*

*Yours for better Scouting,*

*George Langmuir*  
Q.M.

turn placed them in the hands of the Scout and Cub colour parties.

In the evening St. James' church was filled to capacity for the ceremony of placing the flags in the chancel. The colours were brought forward by the colour parties, the Scouters handed them over to the church warden, and they in turn passed them to the rector, who placed them in their permanent brackets on the chancel wall. The flags will be taken down as used, and returned with due form.

### Getting Grand Howl Atmosphere

**T**HERE is no better opening to a Pack meeting than the Grand Howl. However, the whole point and meaning of this opening Howl is often lost, owing to the fact that the Cubs—who have probably been playing all manner of wild games on their way to the Pack meeting—are not really in the right mood for it, and that the atmosphere is not really jungly enough for this essentially jungly beginning. Here is a method (which has been tried out and found highly successful) of leading up to the Grand Howl at the beginning of the Pack meeting.

Instead of the usual call of "Pack! Pack! Pack!" all the Old Wolves stand together in the middle and bark (as wolf-like as possible) "A-ke-la!" The Sixes then drop back from wherever they are to their Six corners, and then crawl forward, on all fours, into the usual Grand Howl circle. As they approach, they announce themselves by growling the colour of their Six, e.g. "We are the brr-oww-n wolves," etc. until all the Sixes are in the circle. Then they remain in the Howl position while Baloo repeats the following:

Baloo: "Now this is the Law of the Jungle,  
As Old and as True as the sky,  
And the Wolf that shall keep it  
may prosper,  
But the Wolf that shall break  
it must die."

The Cubs then proceed round the circle on all fours repeating the Cub Law just once.

Cubs: "The Cub gives in to the Old Wolf;  
The Cub does not give in to himself."

They then come back to the Howl position, and the following is repeated:

Akela or Bagheera: "As the dawn was breaking the Wolf Cub Pack yelled!"

Cubs: "Once! Twice! and Again!" (whispered rather mysteriously).

Akela or Bagheera: "Feet in the Jungle that leave no mark,  
Eyes that can see in the dark."

Cubs: "The Dark!" (also in a gruff whisper).

Akela: "Tongue, give tongue to it.  
Hark! Oh Hark!"

Then straight away the duty Sixer leads the Howl:

Cubs: "A-ke-la; we'll do our best," etc. When first thought over it may appear rather a long business, but actually, once the Cubs know it, it takes a very few minutes. It is really well worth while, as it does get the Cubs rather more gradually out of the streets into the atmosphere of the Jungle. By the time they are giving Akela their welcoming howl, they are really feeling like Wolf Cubs, and meaning every word of it.

—Mrs. N. H. Bainbridge,  
D. C. M. Barnet, in *The Scouter*.



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.

### A Box Car Headquarters

AN old 36-foot box car, a gift from the C. N. R., will make a headquarters for the 1st North Regina Group. The car was moved to a lot, also contributed, and is being fitted up by the Group Committee for the Cubs and Scouts. Plans include a fireplace.

### A Taste of Real Sailing

A WEEK-END cruise as crew of the fore-and-aft auxiliary trading schooner *Free State* was an introduction to real sailing enjoyed by 20 members of the 1st Quebec Sea Scout Group. Throughout the trip down river 40 miles to Pointe-aux-Pines, and back, the Sea Scouts worked the regular watches, under the vessel's Captain and Mate. A strong nor'easter on the outward passage necessitated dropping anchor during the night, and a strong east wind provided a lively run home in the morning.

### A Scout is Courteous

A DISPATCH from New York given wide attention by outside editors described the impression made upon New York business men by some 900 Western United States Scouts who visited the metropolis in lieu of the cancelled Washington Jamboree. The *New York Times* carried a half-column story, and editors elsewhere used the briefer wire story under such captions as "Boy Scouts Give New York Lesson in Good Manners". Clerks, it was said, were struck by the boys' invariable "Please," and "Thank you."

### Discussing Next Summer

SOME 60 Scouters assembled in September at Montreal Scout Headquarters for a pow-wow on the district's summer activities—full-time and week-end camps, combined outdoor meetings for non-camping Scouts, hiking, etc. Vice-Chairman McCutcheon of the Scouters' Club presided, with Chairman Thistlewaite of the Camp Committee and Chairman Alan Ingham of the Summer Activities Committee. The gathering was divided into small groups, for discussion of various activity features. A summary of the discussions will provide guidance for next summer's district projects.

### S. M. Minute Stories

A RECENT Cornwell Badge award was that to Scout John Hunt of Eltham, England, in recognition of courage and fortitude shown during three years in a London hospital. In that period Scout Hunt underwent 23 operations for an injury to his leg, and at the same time continued his progress in Scouting.

The first team race on the new Roly-Rambler track, a two-hour event, was won by the New Toronto Scout team, Scouts Reg Townsend and Ross Brown, six teams competing. The Scouts rolled up a total of 29 miles, or 464 laps. Credit for gameness went to the two Scouts, since Townsend finished with a severe "charley horse," and Brown carried on in spite of a knee wrenched early in the race.

### Winter Models of 1936 Pioneer Projects

MODELS of pioneer projects for next summer's camp will feature the work this winter of the 1st Minnedosa Troop, Man. For an early fall meeting the local Scout column reminded Patrol Leaders "to bring to our next meeting examples of square, diagonal and gin lashings."

### Canvas Shelters for Winter Prairie Camping

REGINA'S new permanent district camp site, Garner Scout Park, is being improved this fall by the planting of trees and the erection of additional buildings, including a work shop and pump house. The lodge will be used as a sports headquarters during the winter. Plans also include a site for outdoor camping. In lieu of cover from trees, not yet sufficiently grown, canvas shelters will be arranged to accommodate 40 boys.



A COMBINATION cook stove and clay oven was a successful summer camp invention of Scouts of the 1st Minto Troop, Man.

### Deep Sea Scouts at Australian Ports

THE fine spirit in which Deep Sea Scouts are welcomed at Australian ports is reflected in the following monthly report by the Commissioner for Sea Scouts and Deep Sea Scouts at Sydney, in *Scouting in New South Wales* for September:

Amongst the overseas visitors last month were the D.S.S.'s on the R.M.S. "Strathaird." The ship was as usual on a cruise, and consequently she was only in port two days, coming and going. However, there was sufficient time to enable us to meet the chaps and show them around a bit. Their leader is W. Morris, who was a member of the 1st Hextable (England) Sea Scouts. They have the use of a cabin on board as a den, and are altogether very keen.

I had a letter from Angus McIntosh of the "Bendigo," on his way home, expressing gratitude for looking after him whilst he was here, particularly to Scouter Ken Northwood, who acted for me in this respect during my absence.

Another D.S.S. from the "Bendigo" was left behind in Sydney when the ship sailed, unfortunately, in hospital. He is progressing satisfactorily, and the Kogarah Bay Troop have made him, whilst he is here, one of their number and are extending Scouting hospitality to him.

### Banff Scouts Prize Carvers

WOOD carving has aroused the interest of the 1st Banff Troop under the guidance of a local expert, Mrs. H. O. Grainger. A table carved by four boys of the troop won second prize at an Edmonton handicraft exhibition. Later the table was presented to Mrs. Grainger in appreciation of her instruction.

### Another Real First Aid Test

A MINATURE hurricane sweeping over the Ridgetown, Ont., fair grounds, unroofing buildings and levelling race track bleachers and concessionaires' tents, brought the Ridgetown Scouts on fair duty an unexpected job. This was the administering of first-aid to a considerable number of persons, several of whom were injured seriously.

### Two-Group Ladies' Auxiliaries

AUTUMN activity announcements include mention of two enterprising Ladies' Auxiliaries the members of which do not hesitate to take on the job of "auxiling" for two Groups,—the 1st and 2nd Waterloo Groups, Ontario, and the 1st and 2nd Swift Current, Saskatchewan. The Waterloo ladies, through bazaars and other means, plan to raise sufficient funds before next summer to purchase camp equipment for the two troops; and the lady westerners plan to finance renovation of the local Scout Hall for more comfortable winter use.

### A Good Press Pack Announcement

HERE is an excellent press announcement of "openings" in a Cub pack. Note the definite "fifteen" and its significance—a limited number, a privilege to get in.

"The Cubmaster is open to receive applications of fifteen boys for admission to the Cub Pack. These boys must be between the ages of 8 and 12 years and must have their parents' consent before joining.—For the information of parents, the Cubs, the junior branch of the world-wide Scout Movement meets in Bowmanville each Tuesday night at Central School."—*Statesman*, Bowmanville, Ont.

### A Scout-Sponsored Social

SOME 400 people attended a unique evening lawn social held on the grounds of "Stop 19 School," under the auspices of Welland Scout Groups. The grounds were brilliantly lighted by coloured lamps loaned by the Hydro Commission, and for seating benches provided by the Church of the Open Door were arranged in a large semi-circle. The programme began with a series of wrestling bouts, these followed by an entertaining Scout camp fire programme, then the impressive investiture of four Cubs and a Scout. Addresses were made by Chairman John Warren of the Board of School trustees and Reeve Frank H. Clarke of Thorold Township. A press report declared the social evening the most successful ever held at Stop 19.