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A FAREWELL MESSAGE

from HIS EXCELLENCY THE EARL OF BESSBOROUGH, P.C., G.C.M.G.
Retiring Governor-General and Chief Scout for Canada



DURING my term of office as Governor-General, I have travelled many thousands of miles through the Dominion. On such tours, I have been able to meet many Scouts of all ranks, both in the great cities and in the country districts. As Chief Scout for Canada, I have always found this feature of my journeys most interesting and most inspiring.

Now that the time has come, to my great regret, when I must sever my official connection with Canada, and with Canadian Scouting, I have taken this opportunity to set down some of my personal impressions of the progress in this country of what I regard as one of the greatest movements in the world.

Naturally, the first of such impressions is that of the work of your Dominion Headquarters in Ottawa. I have been very closely associated with it ever since I first arrived in Canada, and I speak, therefore, from personal experience when I say that no Honour was ever more thoroughly deserved than the Order of the British Empire which The King recently bestowed on your Chief Executive Commissioner, Mr. Stiles.

On all occasions, I have been much struck by the number of men of high standing in business and professional life who are giving leadership in the various Provinces as Commissioners and other senior

At London a medal for a Scout rescuer and a handshake for a rescued Guide.

At Calgary medals for the members of a winning first aid team.

SOME SNAPSHOTS OF FIVE MEMORABLE YEARS

At Victoria, a personal word.

A Wolf Cub "Howl" greets him enthusiastically at Vancouver.

At Fort William he has congratulations and a handshake for a good record.

During a visit to Woodstock, Ont., he makes sure of meeting the local Scouts.

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The Retiring Chief Scout for Canada

ALTHOUGH expected, as necessarily concurrent with the termination of his period as Governor-General, the relinquishing of the office of Chief Scout for Canada by the Earl of Bessborough, and his departure, will be regretted by Scouters and Scouts throughout the Dominion. From the first the interest and cordiality shown by His Excellency when meeting Scouts and leaders during his official tours had made a deep impression; and this appreciation of the reality of his interest was confirmed in a way never to be forgotten when he launched the double campaign to raise the Movement's membership to 100,000, and to secure the financial backing necessary to the expanded training and field work involved.

Under his inspiration the financial campaign was a success, and the expansion campaign is steadily carrying on along sound lines toward its objective.

It had been the hope of His Excellency that the 100,000 membership might possibly be attained before his departure. Whilst splendid progress has been made, this did not prove feasible, consistent with the procuring of qualified and sound leadership. It therefore will only be playing the game on the part of Canadian Scouters of every rank to match His Excellency's personal effort and generosity by making every endeavour to bring about the realization of his wish at the earliest time possible.

We will do this!

His Farewell Message

Our departing Chief Scout's understanding interest will again be found reflected in his farewell message,—which needless to say will be read with keen appreciation by every Canadian Scouter, and listened to with interest by the boys of each of their Groups.

Special attention will be accorded His Excellency's practical suggestion regarding the importance of the Scout uniform, and his appeal that more attention be given continuous woodcraft activities in the summer, outside of the camping period.

The concluding note, Loyalty, will find a quick response in the heart of every true Canadian Scouter; and the timely emphasis upon the importance of the loyal stability of the British Empire to the whole world today.

All will join in reciprocation of the Earl of Bessborough's regret at the necessity of saying farewell. Let us hope that it may prove only an *au revoir*; that he some day may find it possible to pay us a visit,

to learn that we have achieved his wish for us of 100,000 members, and better and more continuous outdoor scoutcraft.

That would be the truest expression of appreciation of the outstanding service that the Earl of Bessborough has rendered Canadian Scouting during his term as Chief Scout for Canada.

CITATION

Citation read at the presentation of the Order of the Silver Wolf by Lord Baden-Powell to His Excellency the Earl of Bessborough:

IT IS THE DESIRE OF THE BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION IN CANADA THAT ITS DEEP OBLIGATION TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE EARL OF BESSBOROUGH, CHIEF SCOUT FOR CANADA, SHOULD BE RECOGNISED THROUGH THE AWARD TO HIM OF THE ORDER OF THE SILVER WOLF. IT IS IMPOSSIBLE, FROM LIMITATION OF TIME, TO ENTER UPON AN ENUMERATION OF HIS EXCELLENCY'S MANY "GOOD TURNS" TO THE SCOUT MOVEMENT, BUT DURING THE FIVE YEARS OF HIS RESIDENCE AMONGST US, HIS INTEREST IN AND UNDERSTANDING OF SCOUTING HAS BEEN AN INSPIRATION TO THOSE ASSOCIATED WITH HIM IN THE WORK OF THE CANADIAN GENERAL COUNCIL. NOT ONLY SO, BUT IN THE COURSE OF HIS TOURS INTO EVERY PART OF THE DOMINION HE HAS TAKEN TIME TO SPEAK WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT AND PRAISE AND TO GIVE HELPFUL COUNSEL TO THOSE WHO ARE ENGAGED IN THIS GREAT YOUTH MOVEMENT, AND HAS ENLISTED INFLUENTIAL SUPPORT ON ITS BEHALF FROM ONE END OF THE COUNTRY TO THE OTHER.

IN FREQUENT ADDRESSES, ALSO, TO SCOUT GATHERINGS LARGE AND SMALL, HE HAS CONSTANTLY EMPHASIZED THE HIGH PRINCIPLES ON WHICH SCOUTING IS FOUNDED. SO STRONG, INDEED, HAS HIS CONVICTION BEEN AS TO THE VALUE OF SCOUTING TO CANADA THAT NOTWITHSTANDING THE DIFFICULTIES OF THE TIMES, HE HAS ADVOCATED THE EXTENSION OF THE SCOUT MEMBERSHIP IN THE DOMINION TO 100,000, AND HAS TAKEN THE LEAD IN RAISING THE FUNDS WHICH ARE REQUIRED TO PERMIT OF THIS BEING DONE, FEELING, AS HE HAS EXPRESSED IT HIMSELF, "THAT EVERY DOLLAR SPENT ON SCOUTING WILL BE RETURNED A HUNDREDFOLD."

To the Unknown Construction Hand

TRIBUTE to a nameless construction worker who gave his life during the building of the C. P. R. through Northern Ontario was paid by Sudbury Boy Scouts while camping this summer. The boys erected a cross, and using the legal name for an unknown person, added the inscription: "John Doe, who gave his life in the upbuilding of Canada. Erected by the Boy Scouts."

B.-P.'s Farewell Word to Canadian Boy Scouts

SCOUTMASTERS and Cubmasters will find in their copies of this issue of *The Scout Leader* a special final message to the Boy Scouts of the Dominion from Lord Baden-Powell at the conclusion of his recent visit. The reproduced letter is printed in a special two-colour, two-page leaflet, so that after reading to Troop or Pack, it may be framed for hanging on the headquarters wall.

Making Apple Day a Success

ALMOST without exception Scout Apple Days held last season in more than sixty centres were a splendid success,—both from the apple growers' point of view, and that of the local Scout Associations.

The reason—CAREFUL PLANNING, STARTED WELL AHEAD OF TIME! The few instances of disappointment were due chiefly to hasty launching of the project.

The latest edition of *The Scout Apple Day* book covers planning and carrying out in all its details, and in addition carries numerous hints and practical ideas culled from previous Apple Day questionnaires. No Group or Association should put on an Apple Day without first securing and carefully studying this book. Copies may be had, free, from Provincial Headquarters.

Re Xmas Toys from Cigarettes

AGAIN, as last year, has come an inquiry as to the propriety of Scout Groups entering into cigarette coupon saving competitions for which Christmas toys are awarded. The reply given last year is quoted:

It cannot but be regarded as undesirable that Scouts should be associated with such a type of contest,—aimed solely, of course, to increase the use and sale of cigarettes. Obviously—whether or not the manufacturers have this in mind—there is the possibility of numbers of boys being tempted into cigarette smoking as a direct or indirect result. "Cigarettes can't be so bad when you can get toys for them to give to poor people at Christmas," etc. Also it would be an inevitable temptation for certain boys, perhaps even a patrol, near the end of a "contest", to buy cigarettes in order to boost their "votes."

Let no Scoutmaster or Cubmaster fall into this trap thoughtlessly. We need toys for Christmas giving, but not at such a price,—not at the risk of making one Canadian Cub or Scout a cigarette addict.

U.S. Scouting in Delinquency Areas

AT the 25th annual meeting of the Boy Scouts of America a resolution was passed asking Local Councils to study the areas of delinquency within their jurisdiction, and make special efforts to organize Scouting units in these areas, "to the end that the Scout Program may become a more widespread influence for building character and for citizenship, and thus contributing to the prevention of crime."

FAREWELL MESSAGE

(Continued from first page)

honorary leaders; their profound appreciation of the practical importance of Scouting to the youth, and future, of Canada; and their readiness to give generously of their means, as well as of their time, to its advancement. I feel convinced that the future of the Movement is safe in the hands of such men.

Scoutmasters and Cubmasters are a keen, devoted band indeed. Everywhere I have been impressed by the number of them who wear stars showing years of continuous service, and especially by the number who wear scarves or other insignia showing that they have taken training the better to fit them for their work of leadership.

The Cubs and Scouts, in all Provinces, are splendid specimens of vigorous youth, from whose ranks should some day come many of Canada's most enterprising and outstanding citizens.

The Rovers are extremely capable young men; I wish there were many more of them. There are very valuable associations in Rovering, as well as many opportunities for service; and more of our young men in this country might take advantage of them.

Speaking more generally, I must pay tribute to the admirable organisation and discipline I have noticed at many reviews and rallies; there has always been abundant evidence of well-planned and comprehensive training in Scouting activities as a whole. In this last connection I should like to emphasise once more both the importance of individual Scouts taking a pride in their uniform, and of attention being paid to continuous summer woodcraft activities, outside of the camping period.

I cannot enumerate here more than a few aspects of the public service which is widely and continually rendered by Scouts all over the Dominion. There are so many "good turns" that Scouts of all ages are doing every day; but among them, I would particularly mention the service that Scouts habitually render in connection with Welfare and Relief work, with the

annual Christmas Toy Shop distribution of gifts to many thousands of needy children, and in many other fields. Such service is in itself an important training for the best type of participating citizenship.

There is one other service,—a service to the Movement itself and to Canada,—to which I would make a special allusion. It is the earnest wish of all of us who set store by the Scouting Movement to see it constantly expanding. Here in Canada we are aiming at a membership of 100,000. Splendid work is being done in every Province toward attainment of this objective. Scout Troops and Rover Crews have shown remarkable enterprise in bringing about the organisation of other new groups, for which Dominion Headquarters is awarding the special Baden-Powell Honour Standard. I am confident that these efforts will continue until the goal has been reached.

These, then, are a few of my many impressions of Canadian Scouting in the years that I have been privileged to act as your Chief Scout.

It is with real sorrow that I say farewell to Canadian Scouts, with whom I have been so closely and so happily associated. I wish them, and the whole Movement, God speed; and if, in this farewell message, I may emphasise one particular point in Scout teaching, it is the second Scout Law, enjoining Loyalty to God and the King. It goes without saying that everyone connected with Scouting in Canada is wholeheartedly and unreservedly loyal to the King; but remember always that there is a wide meaning in such loyalty, a meaning which implies no mere formal duty, no matter of sentiment alone. It carries with it loyalty to all our fellow-citizens of the Empire, and to the stability of that Empire as the greatest influence for peace in the world to-day.

Sept. 26th 1935. *Beckwith*

Your Training in Live Saving

A GAIN reminding of the worthwhileness of Scout training, the summer's list of water accidents included the usual list of rescues performed by Scouts. One tragedy, an attempted rescue which cost the life of the young Scout hero, also has its lesson—the importance of instruction in breaking the grip of a drowning person.

Apparently it was inability to do this which lost the life of Patrol Leader Ernest Callow, 17, of Wellington, Ont., when attempting to rescue a full grown man. The man clutched him, and the lad apparently was unable to free himself.

The value of instruction in artificial respiration was again demonstrated in a number of cases. Three Truro, N.S., Scouts went to the rescue of a woman who got beyond her depth in the Salmon River, and disappeared, brought her ashore unconscious, and finally restored life by the Schaefer method. Similar good work was done by two Wallaceburg, Ont., Scouts. Passing along a lake road they saw a man in difficulties some 75 yards from shore, plunged in, fully clad, got the man to the beach and revived him.

A somewhat similar rescue and revival

was carried out by two St. Lambert, Que., Scouts, when a man leaping from stone to stone at a point known as the Sluices on the St. Lawrence River, missed his footing and fell into the rapids.

A nice example of quick action was given by a Newfoundland Scout, at Twillingate.

Once again—
**CHRISTMAS
HAPPINESS
FOR
NEEDY
KIDDIES!**

*Brandon's
splendid
happifying
job of
last year.*

*Let's make
this another
big
Santa Claus
year!*

While working with his father in a sail loft he saw an eight year old girl fall from a wharf. Immediately he leaped from a window, ten feet to the ground, ran and plunged after the child and saved her.

One of the boys you are starting in your troop this fall may save a life next summer!



The World Chief Scout's Visit

(Continued from September)



ONE of the striking features of the Saskatoon rally, put on by the 16th Saskatoon Troop, from the School for the Deaf. They're one of Saskatchewan's keenest and smartest troops.

Saskatoon.—At Saskatoon on April 29, Lord and Lady Baden-Powell and party were welcomed by His Worship Mayor Pinder on behalf of the city and by Provincial President J. S. Woodward on behalf of the Scouts of Saskatchewan. Smartly dressed Rovers, representing the four Saskatoon Crews, formed a square about the steps of the Chief Scout's private car.

Some 2,000 Scouts and Guides and 1,500 spectators gathered at the Stadium at the Exhibition Grounds for the rally. The Chief Scout, who was accompanied by a bodyguard of Rovers, received a most enthusiastic welcome.

The rally programme opened with a well done march past, the Guide section headed by the Brownies and the Scout division by the Cubs.

The Scout show was put on circus-fashion, simultaneously in three rings. It included some excellent work by the Saskatoon Exhibition Troop, tableaux representing the early industries of Canada, clever rope spinning by Rosetown Scouts and some very effective and smartly done pyramid work, performed to the beat of a drum, by the 16th Saskatoon Troop of the School for Deaf and Dumb.

In the evening there was a well attended joint banquet, which the Chief Scout addressed.

Outside troops were present from Prince Albert, North Battleford, Kindersley, Loversburg, Rosetown, Melfort, Kinistino, Watrous, Dunblane, Biggar, Wadena, Rosetown, Rose Valley, Mildred, Shellbrook and Glidden.

Regina.—In the number of outside units present the rally at Regina, May 1st, was one of the most representative of the Chief Scout's tour. No less than 45 different places sent close to 1,500 Scouts and leaders, to add to those from Regina, coming practically from the limits of settlement, north, south, east and west.

Lord Baden-Powell and his party arrived April 30th, and the Chief first met a group of veteran Scouters, a number of whom had welcomed him on his first visit to Western Canada in 1910. A dinner party at Government House marked his official welcome, and next day there was a joint provincial and civic luncheon, with addresses by Lt.-Gov. Munroe and His Worship the Mayor of

Regina. The luncheon was attended by some 250 leading citizens, including Scouters and Guiders, and the addresses were broadcast.

Unusual weather, combining dust, rain and cold, compelled cancellation of a huge outdoor council fire, but the display at the Stadium was carried through with great success by some 3,000 Scouts and Guides, with spectators jamming every inch of available space.

One notable feature of the Regina programme was a demonstration of model airplane flying by some 40 Scouts, under the direction of Mr. T. H. Spence, the huge auditorium "sky" being filled with miniature planes performing all manner of stunts, singly and in squadrons. Another outstanding number was that put on by the Rovers, an historical pageant depicting a lively incident in the building across the prairies of the Canadian Pacific Railway,—the stand of the Indian Chief Piapot against the railroad "invasion" of his territory.

The Wolf Cub contribution was a large-scale and very well done Dance of Baloo.

The programme concluded with a camp fire programme, winding up with "Taps" and the National Anthem.

Music was supplied by the Regina Rifles Band and the Boys' Pipe Band. As usual, the Chief Scout sought out the leaders to express his appreciation of their contribution to the success of the occasion.

Mounties helped regulate the assembly, and in his address the Chief Scout made special reference to them.

During the evening Lord Baden-Powell presented the Medal of Merit to Rev. W. D. Hasell in recognition of long and meritorious service.

A display of physical training at the R.C.M.P. barracks was greatly appreciated by some 200 Scouters and Guiders; and following the exhibition, Scouters gathered in the barracks gymnasium to hear an address by Col. Walton. The Chief Scout having found himself too tired to attend the first demonstration, before he left next day a special demonstration of riding by the Mounties was arranged for him.

Greatly appreciated co-operation in the arrangements to take care of visiting Scout units was given by the Provincial Government, the Exhibition Board, the

Y.M.C.A., theatres and educational institutions, all of which threw their buildings open for the accommodation of the young visitors and their leaders. Through their local agency, General Motors had placed a car and driver at the disposal of the Chief Scout during his stay.

In view of the large number present from out of town, and the distances travelled by widely varied means, the report of "no sickness nor accidents" was highly creditable.

Brandon.—It was possible to arrange for but a brief stop at Brandon, Man., but this proved a thrilling 20 minutes for nearly a thousand Scouts and Guides, many from out of town, and a huge crowd of onlookers. A civic welcome was extended by His Worship Mayor Cater, and a Scout welcome to Manitoba by District Commissioners W. V. Oglesby of Brandon and S. Lightfoot of Souris, and Provincial Commissioner Frank W. Thompson of Winnipeg.

After a brief introduction, the Chief Scout passed down the long double line of Scouts and Guides, then briefly addressed them. And when the train went out, to quote the press, "it was difficult to say which sounded loudest, the cheers of the crowd or the Grand Howl given by the Wolf Cubs."

Winnipeg.—The occurrence of the celebration of the King's Silver Jubilee during the Chief Scout's visit helped to make an outstanding success of his stop at Winnipeg. There was an official welcome at the City Hall by Acting Mayor Blumberg and members of the City Council, and the Chief Scout was the guest at the official Silver Jubilee functions at the Parliament Buildings. During their stay the Chief Scout and Chief Guide were guests of Lt.-Gov. and Mrs. Tupper.

The big event, the rally, was one of the greatest Scout-Guide assemblies of the tour, and according to the press "was a spectacle never to be forgotten by the 12,000 persons packing the Amphitheatre."

The programme throughout realized an unusually high standard. Unique features included an arena full of sturdy Scouts all in white gym suits, doing smart P.T. to catchy music, and ending with a dramatic finale. This was the sudden dropping of the boys in their tracks, their bodies then spelling in framed words "Welcome Chief."

Most impressive was a pageant, "Cavalcade of the Kings," presented by the Rovers in nine tableaux (for which incidentally they had prepared all their own costumes). The tableaux began with "St. Augustine at the court of Ethelbert in 569 A.D.," and included "Alfred the Great," "Signing of the Magna Charta," "Queen Victoria," and ended with Britannia and her daughter states of the Empire. The splendid finale was a pyramid of historic characters topped by a Scout, with the entire great audience, led by the band, making the rafters ring with "Land of Hope and Glory."

The success of the tableaux was greatly contributed to by the arrangements for music and lighting. Each tableau group was preceded by darkness, music from the band, a trumpet call, then the floodlights.

A most impressive feature of the Guide show was a human flag by no less than 800 Girl Guides.

A deep impression was made upon the gathering by the march past, of Scouts and Guides only, which required 30 minutes. An incident noted by the spectators concerned one troop without uniforms, from Winnipeg's poorest section. Said one of the newspapers, referring to the incident: "B.-P. first looked at them sharply, then read the evidence correctly. A proud, sad smile lit the face of the old warrior as he gave these lads, Scouting representatives of 14 nations, a very special salute."

The work of the Rovers throughout the Chief Scout's visit was frequently commented upon. A picked group had taken special training under the R.C.M.P., and in green raincoats, and carrying their thumbsticks, made a picture of smart efficiency wherever they appeared, as a guard of honour or escort to the Chief Scout. On guard duty they stood erect, speaking to no one.

During his stay the Chief Scout met the Provincial Council and some 250 Scouts, and a joint gathering of Scouters and Guiders at the Provincial Parliament Buildings. He took the latter occasion to present a Silver Wolf, in recognition of many years of outstanding service and leadership, notably in Cubbing, to Provincial Commissioner Frank W. Thompson. He also met some 90 Old Scouts, arranged in year groups.

A two hours' pow-wow with a large gathering of Scouters, a talk at a Rovers' Own on Sunday at Wesley College Chapel and a broadcast address before the Canadian Club were contributions of Col. Walton.

The historic wind-up of Lord Baden-Powell's visit to Manitoba was provided by the great Scout beacon in the square at the Minto Armouries,—the big evening event of Winnipeg's Silver Jubilee celebration. The Chief Scout and Lieut.-Governor Tupper were escorted to the grounds in state by a torchlight procession of Rovers, and there, in the presence of a huge singing throng, the Chief lit the beacon which passed on the loyal flare of the Empire's Scout celebration from the East to the West.

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Fort William.—A smaller but none the less efficiently organized rally of 800 Scouts and Guides gave the Chief Scout a warm welcome in the Prince of Wales Arena at the Lakehead on May 8th, in the presence of His Worship Mayor R. P. Pow and some 2,000 spectators. Wolf Cubs did well with the Hunger Dance of Kaa, and games, and the Scouts won commendation from Baden-Powell for the efficiency of their demonstrations—rope spinning by the 1st Fort William, bridge building by the 3rd, friction fire by the 6th, hand signals by the 4th, and a medley of games by the 1st Port Arthur and 1st Kakabeka Falls.

The display was followed by a march past carried out with precision. As an original and effective feature, each Scout unit passing the center of the arena deposited a building block, the last completing a Scout Law Arch. Beneath this a Cub, a Scout and a Rover then took their place.

Amplifying apparatus was employed to give a running description of each item of the programme. This also was used by B.-P. for his address, following the march past and completion of the Scout Arch.

The rally closed unforgettably with the solemn renewal of its Promise, by each

branch, by cheers for the King, led by B.-P., and the National Anthem. The rally was followed by an enjoyable joint banquet of Scouters and Guiders.

Sudbury.—The gathering for May 9th at Sudbury had been planned for Athletic Park, but wet weather unfortunately sent it under cover,—into the Grand Theatre, through the kindness of the theatre's management. Whilst the display programme and march past were thus made impossible, the theatre ensured everyone hearing the Chief Scout and other speakers to advantage.

Lord and Lady Baden-Powell were officially welcomed by His Worship Mayor W. J. Cullen, and presented with an illuminated address from the citizens of Sudbury, and the Chief Scout then made his remarks.

At the conclusion of the Chief Guide's address the two leaders left the stage and mingled for 15 or 20 minutes with the Scouts and Guides. The combined units were then briefly inspected in the street outside the theatre by Col. Walton. Following this was a banquet at the Nickel Range Hotel, those attending including the Mayor, Scouters and Guiders, representatives of the Canadian Club, I.O.D.E., Victorian Order of Nurses, the Red Cross, Catholic Women's League, various local service clubs, and other prominent citizens.

Out of town troops were present from Kapuskasing, Iroquois Falls, Osisko, Sault Ste. Marie, Mattawa, South Porcupine, Chapleau, Rouyn and Noranda.

Toronto.—A gathering of nearly 25,000 Scouts and Guides of all branches, the largest assembly of the kind ever held in Canada, was the tribute paid at Toronto to the Chief Scout and Chief Guide. The unusual size of the gathering, held in the Coliseum at the Exhibition Grounds because of weather uncertainty, unfortunately permitted a very limited attendance of the public.

The Scout attendance comprised some 8,000 from Toronto and 5,000 from outside points, the latter coming in direct to the Exhibition Grounds by special trains, buses and countless private cars.

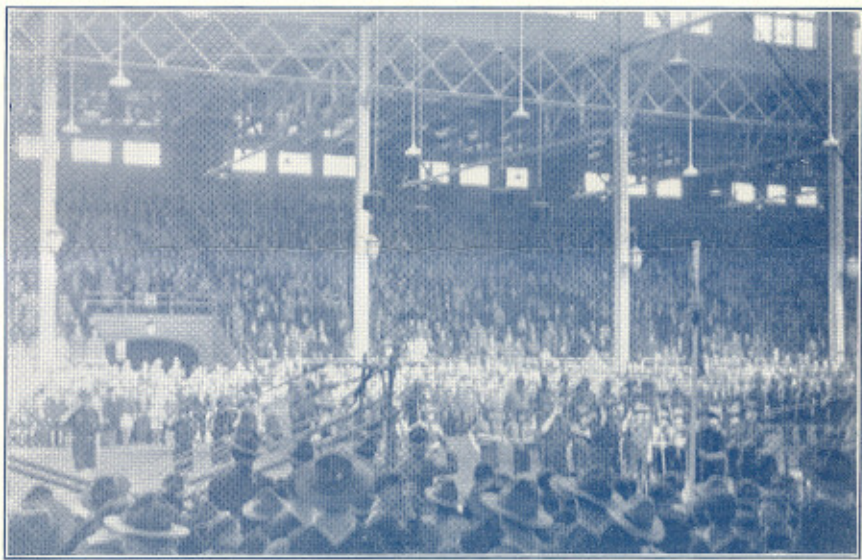
Notwithstanding the numbers involved, the programme was run off with remarkable smoothness. The Guides were given the first period; and scarcely were they out of the arena, when a stream of Wolf Cubs poured in. At a whistle they suddenly squatted, to form the words, "Welcome B.-P." Another signal, and they were on their feet, in large packs, to give a tremendous Grand Howl.

After their contribution the Cubs left the arena as quickly as they had come, and from all corners Scouts entered with trek carts containing all manner of camp equipment and material for pioneer work. In a very few minutes the arena was a huge camp of many troops, with two bridges and a signal tower, the latter topped by two busy signallers. While certain groups carried on with varied woodcraft activities, others engaged in gymnastics, pyramid building, boxing, and rope spinning. As a finale to the marvellously crowded 20 minutes, artificial camp fires blazed, and the flag was lowered to the singing, led by the 48th Highlanders' Band, of "Abide With Me."

During the 20-minute camp the Chief Scout, holding two small Wolf Cubs by the hand, strolled about, observing the work done by the various camp groups. He also visited the box containing Post Scouts and Guiders from the Thistletown Children's Hospital, to their great delight, and spoke to another interesting group, 31 members of Canada's Scout contingent to King George's Coronation in England in 1910.

Within less than 3 minutes of the whistle signal which terminated the camp display, the arena was cleared for the final scene. This was the entry of troops and packs, headed by their colour parties, to the strains of "Land of Hope and Glory." The massing of the colours, and a spontaneous shout and crowding forward of the thousands of boys as the Chief Scout rose, was the dramatic preliminary to Lord Baden-Powell's address.

The great occasion concluded with the National Anthem, and finally cheers for B.-P., and the King, such as, to quote one of the Toronto papers, "never before had been heard in Ontario."



A PORTION of the throng of Cubs and Scouts that practically filled the big Coliseum, at the Toronto Exhibition Grounds. There were 8,000 from the district and 5,000 from outside points.

Upon their arrival in Toronto May 10th, Lord and Lady Baden-Powell and party were officially welcomed at the City Hall by His Worship Mayor Simpson and members of the Council, and were extended the freedom of the city. While in Toronto the Chief Scout and Guide were guests of Lieut.-Governor and Mrs. Bruce.

Toronto had the honour of a second visit by the Chief Scout, May 16th, upon his return from the London rally, for the Annual Meeting of the Canadian General Council. This was followed in the evening by the historic dinner at the Royal York Hotel, attended by over 1,000 Scouters and other leading citizens, and held simultaneously with the 25th Birthday banquet of the Boy Scouts of America in Chicago. The unique radio intermingling of these two gatherings, and the broadcast addresses by Lord Baden-Powell and President Head of the Boy Scouts of America, were recorded previously in *The Scout Leader*.

London.—5,000 Scouts and Guides from every Scouting centre in Western Ontario, a number from across the Border and 6,000 spectators welcomed the two Chiefs, at Queen's Park, London, in fine weather on the afternoon of May 14th. The Chief's arrival at the park was greeted by the singing of "O Canada" in magnificent volume, followed by cheers, and the Grand Howl from the Cubs. On behalf of the City of London His Worship Mayor Wenige then extended an official welcome, and a scroll bestowing upon the distinguished visitors the freedom of the city.

The major programme feature was a 40-minutes' march past. The arrangement for this ceremony brought the Scout and Guide units forward towards the platform in two columns, these wheeling respectively right and left to pass the Chief Scout and Chief Guide. The plan assured each boy and girl, however small, a good opportunity to see the Chiefs "close up."

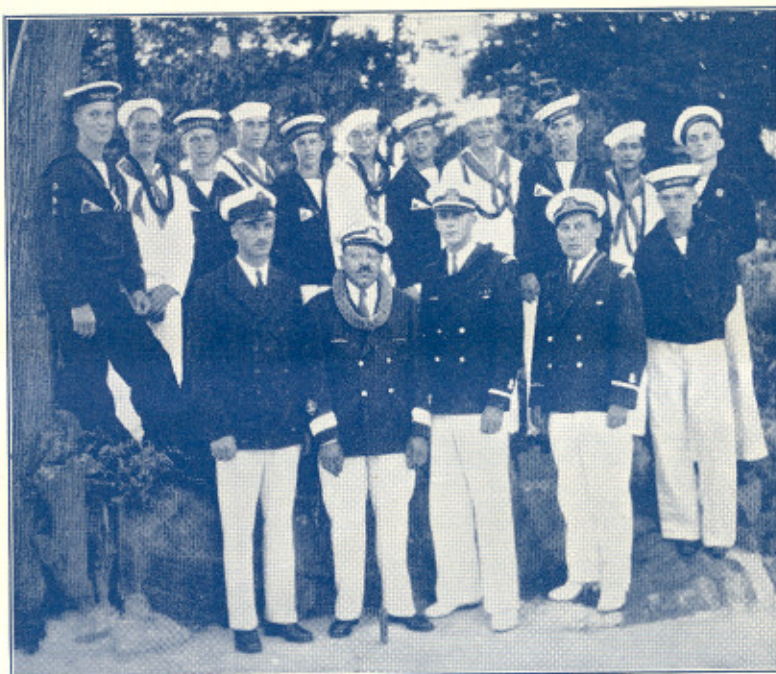
Chairs beside the review platform had been provided for Cubs and Scouts, Brownies and Guides from the Byron Sanatorium. A number of Lone Scouts also were present and took part in the march past.

In his address the Chief Scout had a special word of welcome for the American boys and girls present. He also made reference to the presence of a number of Old Scouts of the 8th London, the original first London unit, now in its 25th year.

Upon their arrival in the city at noon, the Chief Scout and party were entertained at an informal luncheon at the Hotel London, where they were welcomed by Scout and Guide leaders and other prominent people of the city.

The largest outside contingent at the London rally was that from Windsor. Other Scouting centres represented were: Aylmer, Chatham, Clinton, Comber, Delhi, Dorchester, Embro, Essex, Exeter, Harrow, Ilderton, Ingersoll, Kingsville, Leamington, Listowel, Lucknow, Maidstone, Niagara Falls, Petrolia, Port Elgin, Roseland, Sarnia, Sandwich, Simcoe, Stratford, Strathroy, St. Thomas, Thamesville, Thorndale, Tilbury, Tillsonburg, Walkerville, Waterford, Wallaceburg, Watford, Wingham, Woodstock. The U.S. Scouts and Guides were present from Port Huron, and Armada, Mich., and Toledo, Ohio.

(To be continued)



SEA Scouts of the Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club, Montreal, and Hawaiian Sea Scouts at Maple Island, Alexandria Bay, N.Y. They were guests of Commodore J. M. Breitenbach of the U. S. Sea Scouts. With the Hawaiians, the cruising Canadians were royally entertained at Camp Woodlands, and took a prominent part in a Sea Scout evening programme.

A PROCLAMATION!

EXTRACT from a Proclamation published in THE CANADA GAZETTE designating the week of October 7-13th as National Fire Prevention Week:

6. Boy Scout leaders give instructions to the troops under their control as to the best means of co-operating with municipal fire departments in the prevention and extinguishment of fires, and especially as to the desirability of qualifying for the Fireman's Badge.

Towards That Hundred Thousand

WHEN it was announced that a fifth Boy Scout Troop was to be organized in Timmins, nearly 100 boys turned up to apply for admission.

The Scouts of Alberton, P.E.I., have been provided with commodious headquarters in Masonic Hall.

The Carleton Place, Ont., branch of the Canadian Legion has joined the rapidly growing number of Legion organisations sponsoring Scout Groups.

Advocating the move, President R. A. Patchell of the Carleton Place Branch declared that there was no better work the Legion could undertake than helping along the Scout Movement—"which taught boys the amenities of life, how to be useful and self-reliant, and to direct their energies in safe and sane channels."

At a reorganization meeting of the Gleichen, Alta., Scout Association all fathers of Scouts were made members.

A Polish-Canadian Group is one of Toronto's newest. It is sponsored by the local Polish Alliance.

With the formation of a Scout Group at Heath Baptist Church, and another sponsored by the Sons of England Lodge, the number of Calgary's Scout Groups has increased to 30. Nearly ten troops have been formed since the inauguration of the Expansion Campaign,—the greatest increase in the history of the district in a similar period.

St. Catharines has added a Scout Group under the auspices of the Canadian Legion.

Timmins has organized its seventh troop in connection with the Central Public School, through the co-operation of Principal E. J. Transom.

Numbers of fraternal organizations in various parts of Canada are fostering or in various ways assisting Scout troops, as a community service. At Edmonton Mr. W. J. Dick, President of the Boy Scouts Association of Alberta, was asked to address the annual convention of the Elks, who are active backers of several Scout Groups in the province.

The "First International Boy Scout Troop," of Coultts, Alta., and Sweet Grass, Montana, was reorganized under the sponsorship of the Border Lions' Club.

The official opening of the new community Scout Headquarters at Summerside, P.E.I., was the occasion of a notable gathering of prominent citizens, and an address by the Hon. A. F. Arsenault, K.C.

A camp fire attended by 150 Scouts, Cubs and visitors from Welland and Port Colborne was the occasion arranged for the investiture of Scouts and Cubs of the new Thorold Boy Scout Group. Following the investiture the Welland Scouts presented a varied camp fire programme of wrestling, singing and skits, and County Warden F. H. Clarke, Reeve of Thorold Township, addressed the gathering.

A new Portage la Prairie Troop was organized at the Manitoba Home for Boys.

A new Rover Crew at Rossland, a 4th Trail Pack and a new Scout Group forming under the auspices of the Cristoforo Colombo Society were reported at a meeting of the Trail District Scout Association.

Investiture of the leaders of the new 6th Stratford (Knights of Columbus) Scout Group was made by Scouters of the other local troops, who were present in a body. The Patrol Leaders of the new troop were invested at an earlier ceremony.

Presentation to the Scoutmaster of stars recording 22 years' service, a going-up ceremony and investiture of six former Cubs and the awarding of three Leaping Wolf badges marked the revival of the 1st Thorndale, Ont., Troop, under the new leadership of Rev. Carew Hallowell as Scoutmaster and Dr. McFadden as Group Committee Chairman. District Cubmaster Gunn and Rover Leader Nunn came from London to assist in the ceremony.

A new Rover Crew at Chatham, Ont., plans to build an extension to the Scout hut in Victoria Park for use as a den.

A Rover Sea Scout Crew is developing at Vernon, B.C.

Some new New Brunswick Groups: St. Patrick's Orphanage, Silver Falls, developed under the auspices of Cathedral Group of Saint John. 2nd St. Stephen, sponsored jointly by the Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs. Scout Troop at St. Thomas College, Chatham. 2nd Devon (St. Anthony's). 1st Lewisville, near Moncton. Victoria St. Baptist Church, Saint John. Saint John Group sponsored by Syrian Protective Association.

Another "new Canadian" Alberta troop is the 1st Kaliland, near Vegreville under Scoutmaster W. B. Lazaruk, with Nick Hohol as Assistant. The Group Committee includes the District school teacher Miss Rose Pawluk.

The new troop at Sylvan Lake, Alta., has been launched under the auspices of the local Elks' Lodge.

The 1st Blenheim Troop, Ont., recently "completed itself" by organizing a Cub Pack.

It is interesting the number of clergymen and medical men coming into Scouting as Scouters or members of Group Committees. A newspaper item regarding organization of the new 1st Mulgrave Troop, N.S., notes the Rev. W. R. Collin as Scoutmaster and Dr. A. P. Magonet as Group Committee Chairman.

One of the leaders of the 1st Nelson, B.C., Cub Pack is Rev. W. J. Silverwood; and the Pack is "out for new members," hopes to have 30 by the end of September, and aims at 50 (two packs) for Christmas. That's "going places."

An interesting expansion story from Edmonton. A street gang of 12 boys were enjoying a rowdy night in their improvised club room when a visit was paid them by two patrols of the 6th Edmonton Troop. Under their Patrol Leader the Scouts entertained the Riverside youngsters with a display of Scouting. The surprised Riversiders showed immediate interest. They wanted to know more about this Scouting game. As a result they will in the near future be organized as the nucleus of a new troop. Appropriate opening exercises will be held, and the troop will be named and launched.

8th International Conference

Holland Bids for Next Jamboree

SOME 120 delegates from 24 different nations of the world met in the beautiful Parliament House at Stockholm on August 5th for the Eighth Biennial International Scout Conference of Leaders of the Movement throughout the world.

The conference was opened with a warm welcome by H.R.H. Prince Gustaf Adolf, President of the Swedish Scout Union.

A considerable number of interesting papers were presented and led to lengthy and interesting discussions. Among these was an outline by Dr. M. Grazynski, Governor of Silesia, Poland, and President of the Polish Boy Scouts, on the methods which had been adopted by the Polish Boy Scout Association to provide employment for unemployed Polish Rover Scouts.

Cubbing was the main topic of the afternoon session, and a plea was made for greater co-operation throughout the world, so that methods and ideas might be more frequently exchanged.

August 6th was spent in sightseeing and in the afternoon all delegates were enter-

tained to tea at Haga Castle by T.R.H. the Prince Gustaf Adolf and Princess Sibylla. In the evening a Grand Rover Scout Rally was held at Stockholm Stadium, when Lord Baden-Powell wished the members of the Rover Moot "Good-bye and God-speed." This farewell ceremony was attended by many thousands of the public and was a most impressive gathering.

On August 7th the main topic was the future organisation of World Scout Jamborees. Many interesting suggestions were fully debated and a number of resolutions were unanimously adopted. These, in due course, will be circulated to all national Scout Associations, and published in the October issue of *Jamboree*.

The Chief Scout closed the conference with a brief reference to the work accomplished and to the happy spirit of comradeship which had been so evident throughout. He concluded: "Let us not go away from here with the feeling that this Conference having ended, our duties are now over and we may rest content with our labours until the next meeting. Let us rather look on the Conference as the raising of a curtain for the performance of the next act of progress and development to be performed during this coming two-year period."

"And let us go forward and perform it in such fashion as will inspire all workers in the Movement to do the same for God, their country and the Boy—and to bring about concord and peace in the world."

One of the duties of the conference was to decide upon the place and date of the next World Jamboree. It is expected that this will take place in Holland in 1937, but a definite statement on this matter will be published early in November.

Scout Correspondents Desired

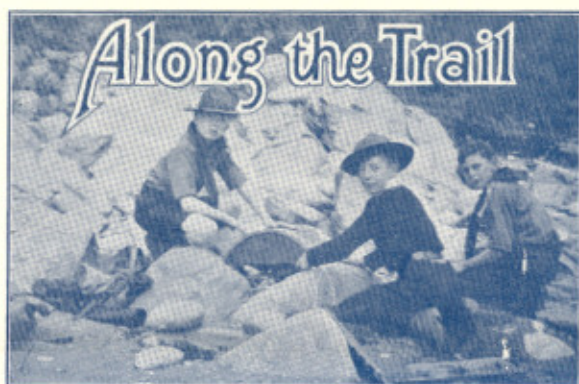
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- An English Rover Mate.
- A New Zealand Cub Instructor, aged 17.
- An English Scout aged 12, interested in aviation.
- An Australian Scout aged 17, interested in stamps.



WINDOW displays are a most important item of Scout Apple Day publicity. They should be arranged for well in advance, and carefully planned, and should equally feature Apples and Scouting.

The
Outdoor
Game
of
Scouting



—Saint John
Scouts
on the Bay
of Fundy
shore.

MAYOR Thomas H. King of Moncton, N.B., was invested as a Scout at a campfire ceremony which took place before a large number of New Brunswick Scouts in camp at Caissie Cape.

As their First Class Journey test, two Scouts of the 1st Chesterville Troop, Ont., hiked the 39 miles home at the conclusion of their summer camp.

U.S. Jamboree Visitors

A number of parties of American Boy Scouts originally booked for the cancelled Washington Scout Jamboree visited Canada instead. A troop of Kentucky boys saw the Toronto fair, a party from Ohio camped on the Stratford camp site, a troop from Albany, N.Y., visited Halifax, and a troop from California visited Vancouver and Jasper Park. One of the largest parties, from New Haven, Conn., visited Quebec.

Scouts of Sidney, B.C., aided in the beautification plan of the local Town Planning Committee this year by keeping bulb patches on the boulevard free of weeds.

An attractive feature of an entertainment of the 9th Winnipeg Group was a Cub Pirate Orchestra of nine pieces.

Would See Scouts Everywhere

Gilt Crosses for life saving were presented to Troop Leader Donat Thauvette and Patrol Second Bruno Poirier by Mgr. Couturier, Bishop of Alexandria, at a largely attended entertainment of the 1st Alexandria Troop, Ont. Addressing the gathering in French and English, Bishop Couturier strongly endorsed Scouting, and stated that it was "his great desire to see more Scouts everywhere." A special matinee of the Scout show was witnessed by some 500 school children.

On behalf of the Knights of Columbus, Grand Knight R. A. Cannon presented a troop flag to the new Catholic Scout troop of the Redemptorist Fathers' Rectory at Calgary.

Four teams of Scouts from Granby, Que., gave a demonstration of friction fire lighting at the big annual picnic of the Miner Rubber Company.

Scout Harmonica Band Broadcasts

A novel radio broadcast feature from Sydney, N.S., was a half hour's programme by a Scout harmonica band. The band, numbering 25 "instruments," is composed of Scouts from all the troops of the city.

Weekly fees paid by Scouters attending a Toronto District Training Course were turned over as a donation to the Hospital for Sick Children.

Each of Moose Jaw's 11 active Groups has its Group Committee and a Ladies' Auxiliary. Naturally there is a very active District Council.

A "Run" for Scout Firemen

The fun of accompanying the local firemen on one of their weekly practice runs was the high spot of the training of Scouts of the 1st Beamsville, Ont., Troop for their Scout Fireman's Proficiency Badge. The boys tested hydrants and coupled hose in most efficient style, according to the firemen.

The 17th "A" Winnipeg (St. Matthew's) Troop was taken to view the assembling of an automobile at the local Ford plant.

In recognition of the fact that she has seven grandsons in the Cubs, Scouts or Rovers, Mrs. R. Renwick was made an honorary life member of the London, Ont., Scout Mothers' Club.

Mothers' Night Games Include Mothers

Some 20 mothers attending a special Mothers' Night of the 4th Halifax Troop, N.S., were brought into one of the games, took part in the council fire programme, and at its close were served refreshments by the Court of Honour.

A 30-acre camp site ideally located between two inlets of Trout Lake has been leased for the use of the 1st Nictaux Group, N.S.

Nearly a hundred Sudbury Scouts and leaders in camp at Windy Lake entertained parents and friends at their Camp Pow-Wow, an annual feature of the summer outing.

Prize for Local-Wood Fire Set

A Scout statuette was offered by the Scoutmaster of the 4th Medicine Hat Troop for the first practical fire bow set made of wood secured locally, this coupled with successful passing of the Knotter's Badge tests.

Members of the local Rotary and GYRO clubs did the work on the ceiling of the new Scout Hall at Nelson, B.C., as a way of practically backing the local Group.

"The Badge Board at their meeting this week arranged for the opening of all the badge centres during the first week of October."—Toronto Scout Trails.

Met a Parents' Appeal to Teach Swimming

Among troops entitled to special credit this summer for the number of boys taught to swim must be named the 1st Smooth Rock Falls, Ont. In doing so the troop met a special appeal from parents, resulting from the drowning of two local small boys early in the year. A dozen boys were taught to swim, four Cubs passed the Cub swimming test, two Scouts qualified for the Swimmer's Badge and three passed the tests for Rescuer. As practical proof of interest, the Town Council contributed \$50 to the troop's camp fund.

Border Cities started the autumn district activities with one of their big Scout rallies at Sheul's Bush, and a Cub rally a week later at Amherstburg.

Lieutenant-Governor Reviews Toronto Scouts

Nearly 5,000 Wolf Cubs and Scouts took part in the annual Scout parade this year on the closing day of the Toronto fair. The boys marched through the Prince's Gate to the Grand Plaza, where they were reviewed by Lieut.-Governor Bruce, Mayor James Simpson and Mr. W. H. J. Tisdale, president of the Toronto Scout Association. Following a picturesque and impressive massing of colours, Scouts and Scouters were addressed by the Lieutenant-Governor.

The Town Council of Blairmore, Alta., voted \$25.00 to the local Scouts to help pay their expenses to Calgary's B.-P. rally.

Further reports of American Boy Scouts visiting Canada this year include a party of 32 Illinois Scouts at Halifax, New England Scouts at Montreal and Oregon Scouts at Winnipeg and Victoria, B.C. The American lads originally had planned to attend the cancelled Washington Jamboree.

A first aid kit found new use in the hands of boys of the 1st Chesterville Scout Troop on their way home from the summer camp. Investigation of motor trouble revealed the motor fan had cut through the rubber hose of the cooling system, losing the water. Out came the first aid kit, there was a good job with adhesive tape, fresh water for the radiator, and the truck was away with little delay.

Sask. Scouter Now a Judge

Mr. A. G. MacKinnon, K.C., recently appointed District Court Judge at Shaunavon, Sask., is Scoutmaster of the 17th Regina Troop, of Holy Rosary Cathedral, a member of the Provincial Council of the Boy Scouts Association, and Chairman of the Provincial Board of Honour, which deals with appointments of Scout leaders and awards for Scout acts of gallantry and outstanding service.

Seven teams of Rover Scouts representing the 4th, 10th, 11th, 14th, 17th, 18th and 33rd Rover Crews took part in this summer's annual Winnipeg Rover 24-Hour Hike Competition. The contest includes hiking equipment carried, the making of maps and notes, details of the over-night camp site and conditions of site after use.

During their annual Labor Day weekend hike camp at Ebor Park, Ontario's Gilwell, P. L.'s of the 1st Galt Group built a new trail to the camp swimming pool.

A Boy Scout Troop Class was a feature of "Bicycle Day," an innovation this year at the Canadian National Exhibition. Cyclists of the 20th Toronto Group took first place, followed closely by the 43rd and 49th.

A District Field Day Get-together

Over 300 Cubs, Scouts, Rovers and Scouters gathered at Nassau Park for Peterboro's Third Annual Scout Field Day. In addition to the eight Peterboro Scout Groups there were present Scouts from Frankford, Cobourg, Lindsay, Oshawa and Cannington. The well diversified programme was in charge of District Commissioner John T. Hornsby.

Nanaimo, B.C., Scouts assisted the local police in controlling traffic in that town during the arrival of cyclists participating in a Victoria-Nanaimo bicycle race.

A delegation of officers and members of the Buckingham, Que., Lions' Club visited the 1st Buckingham Scout Troop at its Scout Hall to present them with a handsome stand of colours.

Old Navy Hall, Niagara-on-the-Lake, witnessed a modern ceremony when Scoutmaster Douglas Young presented Scout Thanks Badges to Mr. Wm. Richardson, Jr., and Mr. J. D. Usher, in appreciation of valuable help given since organization of the local Scout Group. The presentation was made at the troop's Second Annual Scout Tea, given under the auspices of the lady members of the Scout Group Committee.

Camp food donations to the 1st Provost, Alta., Scout Troop this summer included a whole sheep,—which it was thought would "keep the Scouts for a couple of days."

A Lively "Civic" Hike

The 30th Winnipeg (St. Barnabas) had the exciting experience of being at the Central Fire Station when a fire call came in, and witnessed the actual procedure of answering an alarm. They also visited the City Hall and saw the Mayor's office and council chambers.

The inclusion of twelve King's Scouts in the troop membership is a claim for distinction of the 49th Toronto Troop. It is believed to be a record in Toronto Scouting.

Bows 'n' Arrows

A number of "surprisingly good bows" were made by Cubs of the 1st High River Pack, Alta., in a bow and arrow making contest. As prize for the best, a fine bow and quiver of arrows was presented by Mr. Wm. Bell, who had instructed the boys.

A feature of this year's Halifax District Hobby Show was the exhibit of the Scout Model Aero Club. On points awarded for hobby exhibits the 17th Troop was first, followed by the 14th and 18th.

The C.N.E. Scout Camp

Several hundred Scouts from various points in Canada and the United States occupied the Scout Camp at the Toronto Fair this year. The camp was located directly north of the Dominion Government building, and was in charge of a Toronto Scouter.

A spacious camp building on the Boy Scout Reforestation Area at Waverley, N.S., has been erected by the Halifax Gyro Club, for the use of the North End Mission Troop, which the club is sponsoring.

Grants of money to several institutions passed at the annual meeting in Calgary of the Alberta Hotel Association included \$100 to the Boy Scouts of Calgary.

Sask. Scouts Win at Stock Judging

At the Yorkton, Sask., fair the Calder Boy Scout "farm team" captured all honours in stock judging, and won the Rotary Shield. The shield was presented by Mr. R. Ramsay of the Saskatchewan College of Agriculture.

"Come Again!"

"The Boy Scouts who have been camping here on Mr. Devadze's summer resort have returned to Toronto, well pleased with Terra Cotta as a pleasant place to spend their summer holidays. Come again, boys!"—Terra Cotta items in *Muskoka Herald*.

Former Scouts are principals this year of the public schools of Kentville and Aylesford, N.S., and vice-principals of the schools at Annapolis Royal, Windsor and Wolfville.

"Old Clothing" Publicity

From SCOUT NEWS in "The Miner," Flin Flon, Man.: "The St. Augustine Scouts wish to do good turns on Saturdays by collecting old clothing and delivering them to the Social Welfare Commission, or any needy people you wish to send clothes to. The Scout caller will wear his Scout badge or carry a card."

A purse containing nearly \$300 found and returned to its owner by an unnamed Scout of the 32nd Ottawa Troop brought a letter of appreciation to the District Secretary.

New-Canadian Cubs First Aid Winners

The team of the 1st Stonewall Cub Pack was the winner this year of the 23rd competition for the Hesketh Flag, emblematic of the Cub First Aider championship of Greater Winnipeg. Ten teams competed, each of five two-star Cubs; and the winning team included four "New Canadians" of different national parentage, one a Chinese lad.

The initial hike of the new 141st Toronto Troop, composed of coloured boys from a downtown section of the city, was an enthusiastic success.

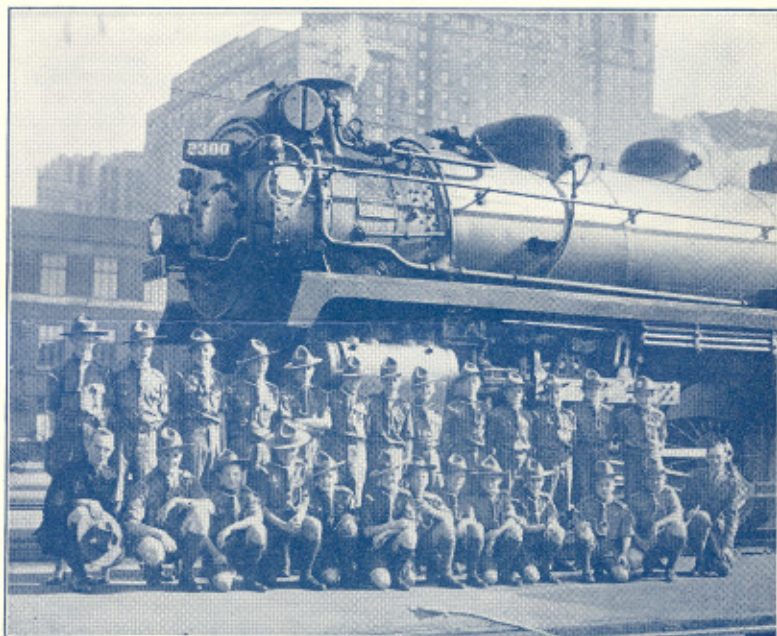
A Fine District Rally-Picnic

220 Scouts and Cubs took part in a rally of well-planned games and competitions at Okotoks, Alta. Units were present from High River, Turner Valley, Vulcan, Brant, Ensign, Nanton and Blackie; and at an impressive flag-break ceremony were welcomed by Mayor Visser. A first aid competition, and the Coultis Cup, was won by the 1st Turner Valley Scout team. Thanks Badges were presented to Mr. S. G. Coultis and Mr. J. Milner in appreciation of valuable service to Scouting in the district. A picnic supper was shared by parents and friends of the Scouts.

A party of Woodstock, Ont., Scouts hiked six miles to secure natural wood staves. The right kind—both staves and Scouts!

Mrs. Dodds Presents Flag to N.B. Troop

An encouraging start was that given the new 1st Bathurst Troop, N.B., by the presentation of a handsome Union Jack, at St. George's Hall, by Mrs. Jackson Dodds, of Montreal. Mr. Dodds addressed the gathering, and presented a number of badges won by the Scouts at their first summer camp. Mr. and Mrs. Dodds, who were summering in the vicinity, had interested themselves in the progress of the new troop following a chance contact with several of the boys.



OFF on an international visit. The 123rd Torontos about to entrain for Camp Miakonda, Ohio, returning a visit paid them by a troop of Toledo Scouts

Happy, Healthy Useful Citizens

"THE object of the Rover Training is to enable young men to develop themselves as Happy, Healthy, Useful Citizens, and to give each his chance of making a successful career for himself. It gives the older boy an aim for remaining under helpful influences. . . .

"It provides Scouting for young men with its joys of Backwoodsmanship and Nature Craft. . . .

"It helps young men . . . who desire it, to train for Scoutmasters or Instructors. . . .

"It gives young men the opportunity of doing useful service for others on a recognized footing." (*Rovering to Success*, p. 218.)

This quotation seems to put the whole purpose of Rover Scouting in as clear, concise and definite a manner as possible, but it all needs developing and interpreting aright according to the particular Crew or Rover Scout concerned. For instance, the term "happy, healthy, useful citizens" needs expounding, and perhaps I may be pardoned if I attempt to do this in one way and in my own fashion.

These three characteristics certainly make for an excellent disposition, but this is not enough. The young fellows whom the Crew, the R.S.L. and the R.M.'s have to train as Rover Scouts are neither a body of Sir Galahads nor a crowd of loafers. They are just ordinary folk, both in their virtues and in their vices. They are kind, yet occasionally very thoughtless. They are amused by buffoonery, tolerably clean, yet frightfully pagan, or, at times, frightfully religious. Their strongest characteristics are vigour and vanity; the former is qualified both in work and play, while the latter is more the absence of humility than the presence of conceit. Their general attitude is a sort of cheerful cocksureness—the same sort of attitude as carried by the youthful subaltern and the British Tommy through the war. The one thing the majority lack is a spirit of quiet, unostentatious RESPONSIBILITY. But they are all so likeable, and all such good fellows; they are all so full of possibilities. That is how I in my middle age see them.

A Good Citizen is a man who **understands and performs**: His Duty to God; his Duty to other people (both individually and collectively); and his Duty to himself.

His Duty to God is in no way satisfied by a passive reception of religion and the formalism of prayers, however good. It demands active, constructive ideas built on a sound basis, and vigorously carried out in everyday life—not on Sundays only. It is a matter, **not** for spasmodic fits of emotion, but for clear, cold REASON translated into continuous action.

In the way of Duty to other people, the average citizen's virtue lies more in the omission of bad rather than in the commission of good. Good Citizenship is shown by voluntary service, and by functioning in one's Rights and Privileges to the best of one's ability. The Rover Scout must, therefore, have an intelligent instructed interest in all subjects that concern the community, especially the community in his immediate neighbourhood.

His Duty to himself is of great import, because he must BE right before he can

DO right. He cannot render service before he has trained himself for the purpose. He has his soul, mind and body to look after. He **and no one else** is responsible for that. The soul is served by training the mind how to think, and the mind is further served by training it what to think.

Rover Scout training consists of

Duty to God
Duty to other people { Service

{ Soul-training in systematic thought;
Mind-training in sound knowledge;
Duty to self { Body-training in practical outdoor Scouting and healthy recreations.

Chronologically the third should come first, and should bring about the second and the first, as the seed of humanity in himself grows into the tree that gives fruits to other people and thanksgiving to God.

Perhaps this may help some R.S.L.'s, some R.M.'s and some Rover Scouts to clarify the purpose and the direction of Rover Scouting and enable them, thereby, to fix the ways by which they hope to attain that purpose for themselves and for the other members of their Crew.

—J. S. WILSON,
Camp Chief, Gilwell Park,
in *The Scouter*.

Roverings

MEMBERS of the 1st Regina Crew designed and made Indian clothing for use in the pageant at the B.-P. rally.

A "Notice to Scouters" in *The Victorian Scout* of August invites "Any Scouter who has a boy sent to the Alfred Hospital or Caulfield Convalescent Hospital," in Melbourne, to communicate with the Secretary of King Alfred's Own Rovers, "who pay regular weekly visits to those hospitals."

An appointed representative of the High River, Alta., Rovers appeared before a meeting of the Town Council to offer the Crew's services in any suitable way to the town.

A party of Rover Sea Scouts from Cambridge University sailed in a small schooner to take part in the World Rover Scout Moot in Sweden. They went by way of the Kiel Canal, through Germany, where they were given a most friendly reception.

Some 60 boys of unemployed families were provided with a free week's outing at the third annual fresh air camp organized by Galt and Preston, Ont., Rover Scouts.

Several Regina Rovers assisted the 1st Qu'Appelle Troop with a concert to raise funds for transportation to the Regina B.-P. rally.

The Canadian Rovers at the Swedish moot were grouped with "Bristol" and "Jamaica" to form the Red End Crew.

Further news from the earthquake disaster at Quetta, India, brings added information of the splendid part played

by Indian Boy Scouts after the catastrophe. A party of 50 Rover Scouts came up from Lahore to offer their services, and were used, wearing gas masks, to extricate the bodies of the dead. When exhausted they were relieved by a second lot of 50.

Re the British Rovers at the Ingaro Moot

ON my return from the World Rover Scout Moot in Sweden, I feel that I must let you know that the British Empire Contingent was a very fine one.

On every hand one heard nothing but praise for our fellows. Their behaviour on board ship, in camp at Ingaro and in Stockholm, was exemplary. All embarkation and disembarkation movements were carried out in an orderly and quiet manner, and the officers of the "Nevasa" were very impressed by their conduct. They mixed splendidly with each other and with other Contingents.

The Rover Scouts had been asked not to smoke in the streets of Stockholm and I have not heard of one single instance where this request was not carried out.

The Contingent was a very good representation of British Empire Rover Scouting, and I think that your Rover Scouts will be interested and proud to know how well they were represented at the Second World Moot.

(Signed) G. WALTON,
*Leader of British Empire Contingent,
World Rover Scout Moot, Sweden,
1935.*

Alberta's 2nd Rover Moot

ALBERTA'S 2nd Provincial Rover Moot, held at Camp Woods, Sylvan Lake, repeated the enjoyable fellowship and keen discussion of the previous year. An observer's comment was that "the fellows are developing a fine provincial outlook."

At the opening, greetings were read from the Chief Executive Commissioner at Ottawa, from the other provinces, and from the World Moot in Sweden.

A new topic discussed was "Lone Rovering". It was agreed that something should be done to encourage and maintain the interest of the Lone Scout of Rover age.

The principal camp activity was the building of an outdoor chapel in memory of the late Rover Leader Dick Clarke, of Rockyford, one of the popular figures at the first Moot.

As a service project a number of Rovers will assemble at Camp Woods early next summer and prepare a permanent site for the annual Gilwell courses. The site will be located on the shore at one end of the lake.

Next year's Moot will be held in the southern part of the province, with District Commissioner Harvey of Calgary in charge of arrangements.

A boat trip and free run of a whole island in Georgian Bay for a day was an outing hugely enjoyed by the Cubs of the 1st Parry Island Pack. Incidentally they entertained the members of the Group Committee.

Scouting continues to go ahead on historic Gaspé. A Scout Apple Day was a success, and now the formation of an association to include Peninsula, Wakeham and Pointe Navarre is being considered.

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.

Moncton Scouts Reforesting City's Watershed

THE Scout troops of Moncton, N.B., have undertaken the task of reforesting the watershed of that city's system of reservoirs. This year's tree planting was done under supervision of the Moncton Water and Light Department.

Scouters on District Committees

SCOUTERS' representatives were appointed on the various committees of the Montreal Scout Association at the annual meeting of the Montreal Scouters' Club. Scoutmaster Evan McCormick of the Aquinas Troop was elected President for the year.

A Good Travel-Kit Example

AN item from Jasper Park reports the visit there for a week, to study the geology and wild life of the Rockies, of a troop of 20 Scouts from Pomona, Calif. The item notes: "The boys carry only one small trunk, this containing their dress uniforms. The rest of their equipment they are packing with them in true Scout fashion."

Another Community H.Q.

WALKERTON, Ont., Scouts will soon be the fortunate possessors of a specially built Scout Hall, the generous gift of Mr. George D. Martyn. The headquarters will include a library, reading room, small gymnasium and shower baths. Surrounding grounds and shrubbery will help make it one of the town's attractive institutions.

Making Something of a Camp Opening

NIAGARA FALLS district's fine new 55-acre Scout campsite on Chip-pawa Creek was formally opened by President H. R. Tyner of the District Scout Council in the presence of a large gathering of Scouts, acting Mayor Twidale and other representative citizens. A prayer of dedication was made by Ven. Archdeacon G. B. Gordon. The site is well wooded and admirably suited for Scout camping and games.

The Deep Sea Scout Helped

AS told in a letter to "The Chronicle," Ladysmith, B.C.: A young A.S.M. at a dance was approached by another young man with, "Pardon me, but I noticed your Scout pin. I am a Deep Sea Scout from Liverpool; my ship is in Chemainus taking lumber." There was a cordial Scout handshake, an interesting chat on Scouting; and the final result was the letter to the paper pointing out the world value of the 4th Scout Law, and a new enthusiasm on the part of the young A.S.M. this reflected in the suggestion that more be done to spread Scouting in the district.

A Fall Fair Information Booth Idea

AS usual Scouts and Rovers have been giving useful service of many kinds at the fall fairs, large and small—as messengers for fair officials, ushering, distributing programmes, finding and taking care of lost kiddies, operating information booths, first aid and rest tents and parcel checking rooms.

Scouts of Windsor, N.S., produced a new and obviously good idea for their information booth in a miniature model of the fair grounds and buildings. It proved interesting, and a help in directing strangers. In the West, Lloydminster, Sask., Scouts erected a model camp that attracted considerable attention. It displayed various types of camp fires, beds, washstands, incinerators, etc.

(The Editor would greatly appreciate direct information of Scout service at fall fairs, especially of new ideas; also some good clear photographs of booths, exhibits, etc., and snapshots of activities.)



DON'T overlook impromptu plays, with improvised costumes, and "disguise council fires." They are always enjoyed, by Scouts as well as Cubs. Above—An impromptu "Dressing-up Charade" at a Woodstock-Centreville camp, N.B.

To Encourage Filling Patrols

FOR a recruiting campaign of the 2nd Winnipeg "A" Troop, the Court of Honour decided to offer a green ribbon, for attaching to Patrol flagstaves, for each recruit brought in, five competition points when the recruit is invested as a Scout, and a Scout Handbook to the patrol obtaining most recruits by the end of the month.

An Outdoor Camp Clock

A LARGE outdoor clock for use at Tamaracouta, Montreal's permanent district camp, was presented to the Camp Committee at the annual meeting of the Montreal Scouters' Club. Ex-Scouts of the 1st Westmount Troop made the gift in memory of those of their number who lost their lives in the Great War. The clock is inscribed "Westmount, 1914-1918—Lest We Forget." Scouter H. T. Parker accepted the clock on behalf of the Camp Committee.

A VALUABLE IDENTIFICATION AND CHARACTER CARD GOES WITH SCOUT REGISTRATION

A Boathouse—Clubhouse

THE 51st Toronto Sea Scouts were presented by Vice-Commodore T. K. Wade of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club with a portable shed, which the boys turned into a combination boathouse and clubhouse on a site at Ashbridge's Bay. The troop owns two boats.

A Good Meeting-Place "Example"

THE Scouts of Listowel, Ont., have been given fine new quarters in the basement of the Post Office building, consisting of an office, three partitioned-off patrol rooms, a waiting room and a large assembly hall. The remodelling was carried out by Scouts and Scouters.

Where Scouting Comes In

PROPER recreational facilities are just as necessary for youth as is proper schooling. The boy who finds no recreation in his home with toys or books or radio cannot be blamed if he seeks it on the street in gangs. . . . The environment of congested areas impresses on the undeveloped mind of boyhood that society is his enemy."—Police Magistrate Stephen W. Palmer, of Saint John, N.B., during a discussion of local juvenile delinquency problems.

High-power Air Rifles

A NEW job asked of Boy Scouts in certain districts is the cautioning of other boys against the careless use of modern high power air rifles. These rifles are being used not only to kill birds—which of course is opposed to Scouting—but to take pot shots at passing motor cars, with the risk of hitting a driver in the face and causing perhaps a fatal accident.

Edmonton Scouts Junior Traffic Officers

UPON the reopening of the Edmonton schools this fall Scouts began acting as junior traffic officers at street intersections. They are on duty morning, noon and after school, and wear their Scout uniforms throughout the school day. Traffic officers of the police department gave the boys instruction during the summer.

Torches, a Band, the Mayor, a Shield Given by the Town

SCOUTS from Acton, Weston, Galt, Toronto and Oakville joined those of Milton, Ont., for a Summer Jamboree at the Milton Agricultural Park. Mayor G. E. Elliott welcomed the visitors to the afternoon of competitive Scouting events and an evening council fire programme. The effective conclusion was a torchlight procession through the town, headed by the Milton Brass Band. In connection with the games a shield donated by the Town of Milton was awarded "A" Group, Oakville.