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**LORD
ROWALLAN**



THE NEW
Chief Scout
OF THE
British Empire

HIS MAJESTY THE KING, Patron of the Boy Scouts Association, has approved of, and constituent parts of the British Commonwealth and Empire have concurred in, the election of Thomas Godfrey Polson Corbett, M.C., Baron Rowallan of Rowallan, Ayrshire, Scotland, as the new Chief Scout of the British Empire. He succeeds the late Lord Somers, who died last July.

The new Chief Scout was born December 19th, 1895, and succeeded his father to the title in 1933. He served with distinction with the Ayrshire Yeomanry and the Grenadier Guards in the first Great War and was awarded the Military Cross. He suffered severe leg wounds. In the present war he commanded the Royal Scots Fusiliers and safely evacuated his Regiment at Dunkirk. He retired with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel in 1944.

Lord Rowallan has been associated with Scouting for 23 years. He was first appointed District Commissioner for North East Ayrshire in 1922 and became County Commissioner in 1925. In 1939 he was named President of the Scottish Scout Council, and in 1944 Headquarters Commissioner for Training. He was awarded the Silver Wolf, highest Scout award, for service to the Movement in 1941.

The Chief Scout married Gwyn Mervyn of St. Andrew's in 1918. They had five sons, Arthur Cameron, born 1919; Thomas Anthony, born 1921; John Polson, born 1924 (killed while serving with the Grenadier Guards at Caen in Normandy); Joseph Mervyn, born 1929, and another son four years old. Four of the five came through Scouting from the Cubs, and the fifth of course, is hardly old enough yet. An outstandingly fine personality, Lord Rowallan will doubtless prove a worthy successor to the founder, the late Lord Baden-Powell and to his immediate predecessor, Lord Somers.

The Boy Scouts Association in Canada welcomes the new Chief and extends cordial congratulations to him on his appointment to this high responsibility.

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Happy Birthday to the Chief Scout

EVERYONE associated with the Boy Scout Movement in Canada, Cubs, Scouts, Leaders, Committeemen and Association members, will join in the most cordial of good wishes to His Excellency the Governor-General, Chief Scout for Canada, who will celebrate his 71st birthday on April 14th.

The Chief Scout has completed another year of great service to Scouting. He has given wonderful support to the Movement wherever he has been, and his leadership and inspiration has been of the utmost value.

Of special note has been His Excellency's welcome to the 25 Scout Leaders from 13 South American countries who have visited Canada in the past twelve months. The Chief Scout and the Princess Alice have most graciously received and entertained them at Government House, and they have carried away with them a magnificent impression of the intense interest and the fine leadership His Excellency has given to Scouting in this country.

It will be the sincere wish of all associated with our Movement that His Excellency will long live to enjoy many more happy years of useful service to the Empire. He will always be remembered here as the Governor-General and Chief Scout who was so closely associated with Lord Baden-Powell in the army during the South African War.

Is Our Scouting Personal?

NEW ways and means of instructing in Scout Training are always being brought forward. With the special emphasis on the Scout Law and Promise test (although this is still the same as in 1908) I would like to put forward a suggestion in respect to this section of the Tenderfoot.

Many, many Scouters examine their Scouts in this test down at the club-room like so many of the other Scout

tests. Perhaps they are interrupted, disturbed or distracted by other Scouts or perhaps two or more are examined together, I do not know. But—have you ever changed this routine? Have you said to your recruit after he had completed the other Tenderfoot tests, "I'll see you, Ray, on Sunday after Sunday School at your place, and we'll talk over this Law and Promise in your room at home! Think about it till Sunday!" And so the recruit *does* think about it from the Troop meeting night until Sunday.

Sunday afternoon comes and you make your way to the Scout's home. He is already waiting eagerly for you. He introduces you to his mother and



FIRST IN GERMANY

ACCORDING TO PRESS DESPATCHES THE FIRST CANADIAN SOLDIER TO ENTER GERMANY WAS CAPT. CLARK GOTHARD OF BRANTFORD, ONT. AT THE TIME OF ENLISTMENT CAPT. GOTHARD WAS SCOUTMASTER OF THE 5TH BRANTFORD TROOP.

perhaps his dad and brothers and sisters. In fact maybe he has his dog "shake hands" with you. Then to his room where you talk it over. How personal is the conversation. You have started to get inside the shell of the lad. The exchange of words is over. The explanations are complete. But the Scout Law and Promise cannot be lived up to on human strength alone! A Scout Silence with all its meaning—a word of prayer, then downstairs for, "Oh Skipper! Will you look at my model hurricane?" and so off you go—Scout and Scouter. Because of the Scout Law and Promise you have become—Pals!

A. T. JENKINS, 1st Neepawa, Man.



To Higher Service

LAC Gordon John Anderson, 20, RCAF, Cub, Scout, 1st St. James, CM, 4th Saskatoon, Sask.

FO Sidney G. Arlotte, 24, RCAF, Scout, ASM 16th Toronto.

CSM Walter Armstrong, CAO, Scout, Elbow, Sask.

Sgt. Pilot Cecil S. Barber, Scout, ACM, Brantford, Ont.

Pte. Marshall (Pete) Cooke, 30, Cub, Scout, Maryland Methodist Group, Winnipeg.

L/Sgt. Walter B. Dowden, Scout, ACM, Brantford, Ont.

Capt. F. C. Fraser, CAO, Scout, Rover, SM, New Glasgow, N.S.

L/Cpl. Albert P. Herbert, 25, CAO, ACM, 21st St. George's Pack, Saint John, N.B.

Cpl. Norman A. Houk, 23, 1st Regina Rifles, Sixer, TL, Acting CM, 1st Virden, Man.

Lieut. John Temple Meyer, 23, CAO, Cub, Scout, Port Burwell, Ont.

Lieut. Geo. R. Thompson, 22, CAO, King's Scout, ACM, ASM, 1st Caledonia, Ont., Group.

NOTE: When sending in particulars of Scout casualties, please give the following information complete; Name in full, date of birth, date entered Scouting, place of Scouting, rank in forces, Regiment or unit, place and date of death; decorations if any. As these names are also listed with Imperial Headquarters in Britain, it is necessary to have this information both for our own and for the files in London.

B.-P.'s Grandson a Cub

ROBERT, son of Lord Baden-Powell, and grandson of the first Lord Baden-Powell, Founder of the Boy Scout Movement, has been invested as a Cub at Gwelo, Southern Rhodesia. Robert is the eldest grandson of the Founder and the Dowager Lady Baden-Powell, and the first grandchild to join the Movement.

THE WOOD BADGE

PART I—THEORETICAL
PART II—PRACTICAL
PART III—APPLICATION

(With warm thanks to Camp Chief John Thurman)

WE who have had to serve Scouting over a period of years and who have absorbed and at least in part have understood something of the machinery of its organization, are rather apt to forget that the newcomer, be he Scouter or Commissioner, is not so well informed and perhaps does not know where to obtain the information. This article then is addressed in the first place to the newcomer, but I hope it will be read by many whose memories, judging by the weight of my correspondence, seem to be short. I am going to set out by question and answer the various points about the three parts of the Wood Badge which seem to cause difficulty.

Question Who is eligible to receive Wood Badge training?
Answer All Scouters and Commissioners.

Q. Are there any exceptions to the above?

A. Yes. Secretaries or Treasurers and any person of Warrant Age who intends to apply for a warrant.

Q. Why are P.L.s aged 16 excluded?

A. Because Wood Badge training is designed to suit the needs of adults and is unsuitable for boys.

Q. What does Part I consist of?

A. The Theoretical Course, in which the Scouter answers questions and is expected to have read certain set books before entering upon the Course. Eighteen questions in three groups of six. This is not an examination but an opportunity to think about Scouting and to put those thoughts into a coherent form on paper.

Q. How do I enter for Part I of the Wood Badge?

A. By application to your Provincial Council enclosing 50 cents and stating which course it is desired to take (Cub or Scout).

Q. Do I need any experience before taking Part I?

A. Very definitely. You must have six months' experience with a Troop or Pack.

Q. Must I take Part I Wood Badge before taking Part II?

A. Not essentially but preferably.

Q. Do I have to get the D.C.'s consent before I enter for Part I?

A. Yes. No entry is accepted unless the application is signed by the D.C.

Q. What is Part II Wood Badge?

A. A practical Course held in camp.

Q. How long does the Course last?

A. Scout—8 days or 5 week-ends. Cub—5 days or 4 week-ends.

Q. How do I find out about where Courses are to be held?

A. By watching *The Scout Leader*.

Q. And if I can't get a copy of *The Scout Leader*?

A. Write to your Provincial Council.

Q. Should I attend a Course before I start to help with a Pack or Troop?

A. No. You must have at least six months' experience.

Q. Should I take a Preliminary Course before a Wood Badge Course?

A. Most decidedly.

Q. Who arranges Preliminary Courses?

A. District Commissioners helped by the Province and District Training Staff.

Q. Do these people hold the Wood Badge?

A. Yes—all of them and they have been specially selected to help to train Scouters.

Q. How is a Part II Course run?

A. As a Pack of Cubs or a Troop of Scouts.

Q. Why is it run this way?

A. Because the Scout way is to learn by doing and not to learn by watching.

Q. Is there any difference between a Course at Gilwell Park, England, and one in Canada.

A. No—they both use exactly the same syllabus which is sent out from Gilwell.

Q. Then if I take a Course and finally gain the Wood Badge, do I become a member of the 1st Gilwell Park Group?

A. Yes. All holders of the Wood Badge, however gained, are members of the 1st Gilwell Park Group.

Q. Can anyone get a Wood Badge without going through a Course?

A. No. Only B.-P. and the first Camp Chief have ever been awarded the Wood Badge without taking the Course, and they had to run the first Course themselves.

Q. If I have to decide whether to take my Troop to Camp or to attend a Course, which should I do?

A. Attend a Course, because your Troop, even if it has to miss a camp, will benefit from your training.

Q. Suppose I fail on my Course, can I try again?

A. Yes, but it is better to wait a year at least before you do so.

Q. When I have completed Parts I and II of the Wood Badge, what happens?

A. You start on Part III.

Q. What do I have to do?

A. Run your Pack or Troop to the satisfaction of your D.C., who reports upon your work over a period of six months.

Q. If I gain the Scout Wood Badge can I take Cub and perhaps Rover Courses?

A. Yes, by all means, but only one Wood Badge is awarded.

Q. Can I take Part III before either Part I or Part II?

A. No. Part III comes into operation immediately after Parts I and II have been satisfactorily completed. Never before.

Q. Do I have to attend the full Course or could I miss one week-end or one day of a continuous Course?

A. You must attend the full Course to qualify.

Q. To what does membership of the 1st Gilwell Park entitle me?

A. Pre-eminently to the right to go on serving Scouting to the best of your ability.

Q. Do Commissioners have a special Course to qualify for the Wood Badge?

A. No, they go through the Scout Course (Cub Commissioners the Cub Course). There are special Courses for Commissioners, but they do not qualify for the Wood Badge.

Q. When I have been awarded the Wood Badge can I assume that I am trained?

A. By no means. You may assume that you have received and understood a good grounding in the principles and methods of the Movement which should enable you to assimilate further training to advantage.

Just to conclude, don't be afraid of coming on a Course.

Don't think we expect you to know very much; don't think you won't enjoy it; don't think you'll get no sleep and little food. Come prepared for anything. Come ready and willing

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War Service

A Critical Need

THE paper shortage in Canada is still critical, and Scouts and Cubs throughout the country will be doing a worthwhile job in seeing that the waste paper in their communities is collected and sold to authorized dealers. Many of the shortages which existed earlier in the war have been overcome. The principal shortage just now is paper, and it is hoped that the Scout organization will do its share to alleviate this shortage as it did when aluminum, rubber, metals, fats and other war commodities were in great need. This is no time to slacken off. Boy Scouts of America are on a campaign to collect 150,000 tons. Last year the government asked them to collect 100,000 tons, and they collected 117,000 tons. Surely Canadian Scouts can do as good a job on a comparative basis.

Renfrew Scouts Do Good Job

Renfrew, Ont., Scouts assisted in the Food Industry War Savings Stamp Drive in February with good results. They sold 4,850 stamps, with Barry McKerracher and Wayne Spooner turning in individual sales of 1,380 and 1,320 respectively.

Scouts of Saskatoon's recently re-organized Exhibition Troop acted as ushers for the Saskatoon Musical Festival. This Troop is a composite troop of representatives of all city troops. They wear a distinctive neckerchief and work as a unit to lend assistance in many wartime and community activities.

Saskatoon Scouts acted as messengers at Red Cross Headquarters during the recent successful national campaign of this great organization.

Here we are with another Timmins fat item. On March 10th in a regular collection 700 pounds of waste fats was garnered in. The 2nd Troop led with 140 pounds.



ITALIAN BOY SCOUTS

LIEUT. W. G. BUCHANAN, FORMER MEMBER OF THE 12TH LONDON, ONT., TROOP, RECENTLY VISITED THESE THREE MEMBERS OF THE RESURRECTED BOY SCOUT MOVEMENT IN ITALY IN AMALFI. LT. BUCHANAN IS A SON OF E. V. BUCHANAN, GENERAL MANAGER OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION IN LONDON.

Night Stalking

(The following item could be used with good effect at a council-fire, particularly when the day's programme has included some instruction or practice in night stalking; it gives the S.M. an opportunity of spurring on the boys' thinking apparatus at a time when they might be getting drowsy.)

AN English spy parachutes down into Occupied Holland on a still, dark night—there is no moon—he seeks information on enemy supply lines and communications—he disposes of his 'chute, makes his way cautiously, by starlight, towards a main, arterial highway—he is still three or four hundred yards from the highway when he hears a truck convoy approaching—he ducks behind a hedge, strains his

eyes to watch the road—it is too dark to make out the sizes or shapes of the lorries, but he can just make out the faint, blue gleams through the narrow slits of their "blackout" headlamps—there are trees and hedges in the way—he counts eighteen vehicles—later, in his report, he names seven of them as oil-tank lorries.

How did he succeed in identifying the seven oil-tank trucks?

For your information the answer is: He was able to catch the faint "tinkle" of the ground-chain which every oil-tank truck trails along the roadway.

Czecho-Slovakians Pleased With Gift of Canadians

As will be seen from the following letter, the Boy Scouts Association of Czecho-Slovakia are most happy about the gift of handbooks from the Boy Scouts of Canada, through the Chins Up Fund.

A letter from Dr. Velen Fanderlik, General Commissioner of Czecho-Slovakian Scouts in Britain, dated London, January 17, 1945.

"Just some days ago I have got the first copy of my small book of Scout charts and I was so pleased to see it printed again in such a nice and clear way. I must be completely sincere telling you that the first edition of the book printed in Czecho-Slovakia a few years back before the war was not as clear as this reproduction.

"I hope the book will be of tremendous help to our Scouters after the war establishing new Troops and training new Scouters and P.L.s.

I should like to express to you and to all who helped to produce it a deep and sincere gratitude and many thanks for all your work. I hope after the war is over we shall be able to repay somehow this good turn of the Canadians.

With many thanks and all best regards,

Yours sincerely,

V. FANDERLIK.

The Wood Badge . . . (Continued from page 103)

to forget for a few short days that you are a Schoolmaster or a Company Director or Engineer or a housewife or whatever you may be. Forget you are a Commissioner or a Cubmaster and come prepared to be at heart a Cub or a Scout and, above all, come prepared to enjoy yourself and to fill every minute of your time with the fun and joyousness of Scouting. Come in that spirit and you will have an experience you will long remember and cherish. But come unwillingly or come determined to show how much you know and how little you need a Training Course and not only will you be miserable but the Wood Badge will

not embrace your neck, and why should it, for you are not a Scout.

Part II Courses at Present Planned

Scout

Alberta—Camp Woods—July 30th.

Manitoba—Gimli—August 9th to 18th.

Ontario—Blue Springs—July 16th to 27th.

Akela

Alberta—Camp Woods—July 22nd.

Manitoba—Gimli—July 30th to August 6th.

Ontario—Blue Springs—July 30th to August 6th.



A Scout Should Never Rest on His Laurels Until He Is A First Class Scout

THE NEW TESTS

TENDERFOOT
SECOND CLASS
FIRST CLASS

Notes on The New Tests Which Become Official in September, 1945

(CONTINUED FROM LAST MONTH)

Test No. 11

Be able to recognize and name six common trees and know the values of their woods for fires. (In areas where there are not sufficient trees the examiner may substitute shrubs).

Comment

This test is self explanatory. It should not be difficult to find, even in the smallest community, someone who can identify six trees and advise on their values for firewood.

Test No. 12

Lay and light a wood fire in the open, using not more than two matches. (No paper or birch bark to be used). Cook over this fire a quarter pound of meat and two potatoes.

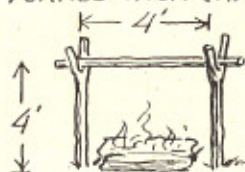
Comment

A number of simple fires are illustrated in this issue. Wood chips or a fuzz stick are suggested methods for starting fires. The fuzz stick is perhaps the better way. In the cooking section, the Scout should be encouraged to make himself a stew, or better still broil a small steak without a utensil. Potatoes may be cooked with the stew, or cooked separately, baked in clay, in hot embers, or boiled. Avoid frying.

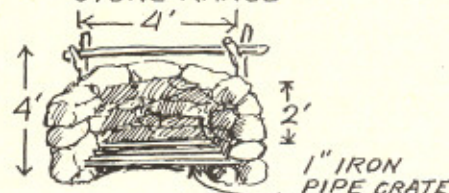
Test No. 13

Demonstrate the practical use of a compass and know the sixteen principal points.

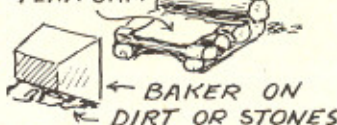
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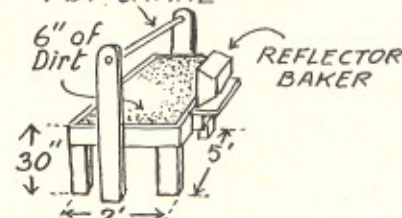
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BAKING REFLECTOR
FIRE PLATFORM



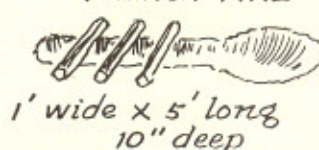
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COOK RANGE



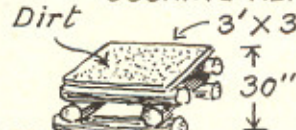
TRENCH FIRE



OLD STOVE TOP



COOKING ALTAR



SIMPLE FIRES AND FIREPLACES AS SUGGESTED IN TEST NO. 12

Comment

Note that it says the "practical use." The mere knowledge of the sixteen points is next to useless. The Scout should be taught to use the compass. He should be taken out on a hike and asked to give his directions as he travels along. He should be able to give the compass bearings of any landmarks in the vicinity of his home or headquarters.

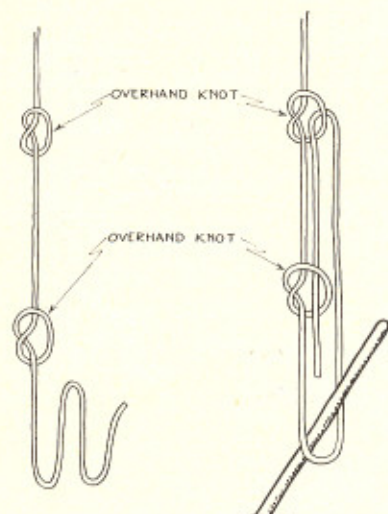
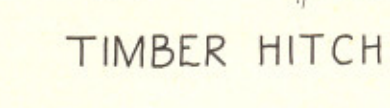
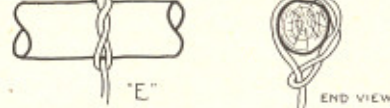
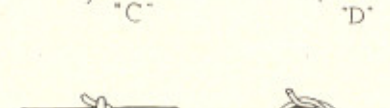
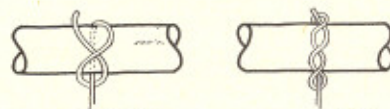
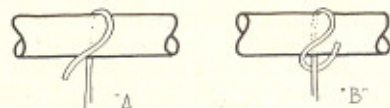
Test No. 14

Demonstrate correctly the following:
Square Lashing and Sheer Lashing;
Guyline Hitch and Timber Hitch.

Comment

We asked Field Secretary T. D. Archibald, Montreal, an expert in these things to draw the lashings and hitches for us. They appear in this issue. Both lashings are simple, as are both hitches. To start off the Scouter

might have his Scouts lash meat skewers together with string, but the



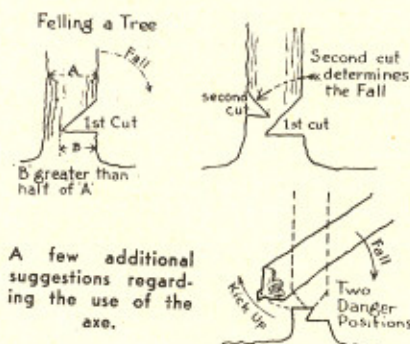
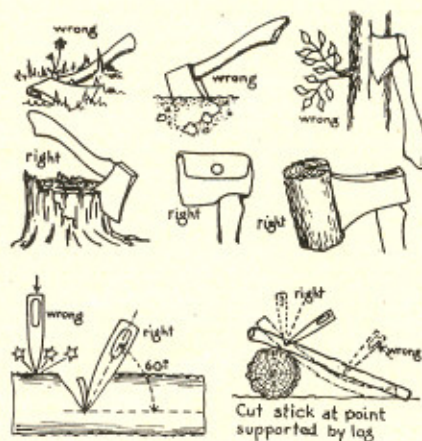
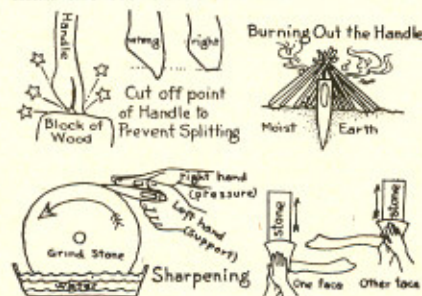
GUYLINE HITCH

TIMBER HITCH

final test should be to square and sheer lash two spars with rope. The two hitches should also be tested by practical means, rather than just a mere knowledge of how to tie them.

The *Guyline Hitch* is made by casting two Overhand Knots in the rope some distance apart. After the running end has passed about the stake or tent peg it is passed down through the knots as illustrated. It is important that it passes down and not up from the bottom. The knots are pulled taut. The length of the guy can be varied by slightly loosening the knots and adjusting the running end.

The *Timber Hitch* is easily made by passing the rope about the spar. The running end having been passed back of the standing part it is given several turns about itself. The whole is pulled taut to complete the knot. On examination it will be seen that if the spar is removed the hitch is nothing more than the stevedore's knot.



Test No. 15

Know the safety rules, care and use of hand-axe and knife. Demonstrate the correct way of chopping wood.

Comment

Main safety points in axemanship are these. When carrying axe, grasp handle close to head, with cutting edge away from you. When hiking keep axe sheathed and attached to the belt.

When carried on shoulder be sure cutting edge is pointed away from the neck. Always pass axe by the handle, and be sure the other fellow has it before letting go.

Keep your axe handle tight. Never lay the axe on the ground, and mask it in a log when not in use. If you are not an expert axeman yourself, secure

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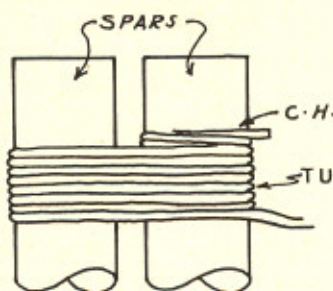


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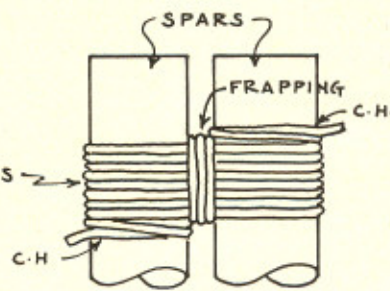


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THE SHEER OR ROUND LASHING

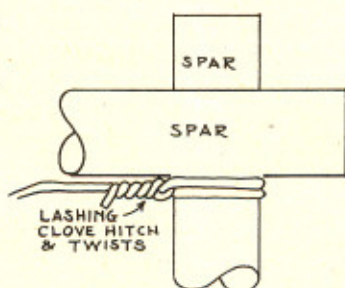


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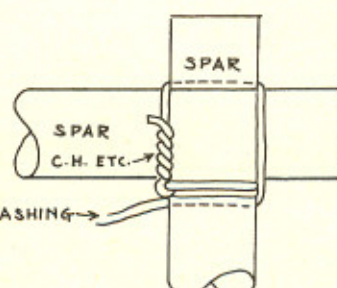


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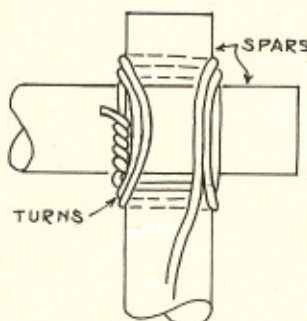


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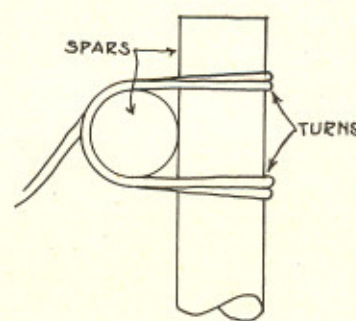


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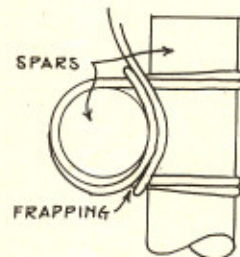


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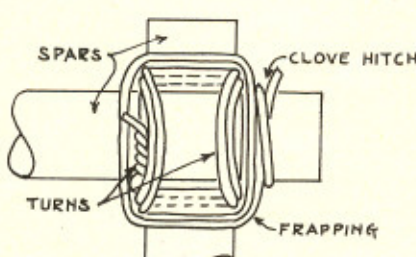


FIGURE No 14-F

"SQUARE LASHING"

Let's play Wide Games



Outdoor Games Scouts Will Enjoy

WAY back last summer Scoutmaster Pat Feeney of Niagara Falls, Ont., told us about a very successful game his Troop had played. We have held it until now, for use as a starter game for the real full time out-door season. In Pat's own words here's how it goes:

One of the several hikes we had this year, and one which was particularly popular with the Scouts was this spy game. On arriving at the place previously arranged, the Scouts were much surprised to find that the S.M. had not shown up. Finally someone noticed a letter pinned to the door of headquarters. It contained a story which was somewhat as follows.

Hans Freidburg, a German prisoner-of-war has escaped. He is believed to be in this vicinity. He is described as (description of S.M. is given). Hans' only peculiarity is that he is forever whittling statuettes. The Scouts set out to find the escaped prisoner. A short distance away they find a few freshly cut wood shavings. They are on the right track.

From then on it was just a matter of following the trail. The shavings used were from a carpenter's shop. It took the Scouts two and a half hours to find the prisoner hiding in a sandpit about four miles from the city.

Thanks Pat for sending the game in.

A Wide Game at London

When we were in London last fall we heard a lot of talk about the District Wide Game, so we asked Scouter Jack Morris of the 35th London Troop, who was in charge, to send us the de-

tails. Here they are:

The game started at 9.30 a.m. and ended at 5 p.m. Two groups were formed (100 in each) with captains.

Each group is provided with a map of the area, and in the centre of the woods, at spots marked "X" are two valuable radar stations, marked off with white tape. Through a general staff blunder these stations have been left undefended.

Each group is attempting to capture them before the other group. Having captured one or both they must be defended until 5 p.m. when all hostilities cease. The group in possession of one or both is victor. In the event of both sides having a station the side having the most members alive at 5 p.m. will be declared victorious.

Method of Capture

Each team is provided with ten flags and to capture a station a flag must be placed in each of the four corners. Flags of the opposing team may be captured and turned over to an umpire at once. The umpire will hold the flag for one hour. Then the side owning the flag may claim it.

All members of one group must wear a strand of yellow wool about their right arm in full view. The other group uses white wool in the same manner. Any player having his yarn removed by another player or by accident must report to an umpire who will supply another "life" at the end of half an hour. During the half hour he may take no part in the game, subject to penalty.

Umpires wear a wide white armband.

All boys are told to bring a sandwich lunch, and all must wear uniform. This particular game being held on a Sunday the groups held a Scout's Own prior to the game.

All Scouts were instructed that orchards, farm yards and buildings and freshly cultivated fields were out of bounds. Livestock must not be disturbed and fences and gates properly used.

There's a couple of good games to go ahead with.

New Tests

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the services of a local woodsman. Almost any farmer with woods on his property can help you.

Test No. 16

Take part in at least three regularly conducted hikes under authorized leadership.

Comment

Under authorized leadership means under the leadership of a Scouter or experienced P.L. or T.L. The Hiking Troop is the real Troop. There are many varieties of hikes, both for winter or summer. The purpose of this test is to get the Scout into the open air. To make it successful the three hikes specified should each have an objective. They should have a purpose, such as fire lighting, cooking, axmanship, compass training or signalling behind them.

(CONTINUED NEXT MONTH)



LEFT, THE 6TH WINDSOR, ONT., PACK GIVING A GOOD MEETING OF THE WINDSOR ROTARY CLUB. RIGHT, A STORE IN HALT

REPORT TO CANADA ON BOY SCOUT-GIRL AN

TOP LEFT, RAISING THE FLAG ON THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING AT ST. CATHARINES, ONT.

NEXT, SCOUT WEEK WINDOW DISPLAY AT THE WOODWARD DEPARTMENT STORE IN VANCOUVER.

NEXT, A VIEW OF THE PATROL LEADERS' SCOUT WEEK GATHERING IN VANCOUVER.

BOTTOM: THE T. EATON CO. SCOUT-GUIDE WINDOW DISPLAY AT PORT ARTHUR, ONT.

CANADA's fourth Boy Scout Week has passed into history, and once again it can be recorded that the observance was a tremendous success. For the first time it was marked in co-operation with the Girl Guides and from Dominion Headquarters of our sister organization has come word that from their standpoint too, the week was a great success.

First, we would like to thank all those Scouters and others who were good enough to send us in reports of their community events. It is not possible of course to record these individual reports, for that would take up several entire issues of *The Scout Leader*. We must content ourselves then with an over-all report of the general activities from coast to coast.

Newspaper Support

The support of the newspapers and magazines of Canada was magnificent. Elsewhere we are quoting a few of the score of editorials which appeared in Canadian newspapers. Many papers published special editions or special sections to mark Scout-Guide Week. We hope every local Association has expressed its thanks to its local news-





BOY SCOUTS GAVE AN ACCOUNT OF THEMSELVES AT THE SCOUT WEEK
A SCOUT WINDOW DISPLAY AT THE T. EATON CO.
HALIFAX, N.S.

GIRL GUIDE WEEK AN UNQUALIFIED SUCCESS

paper in writing for support given during the week.

Radio Programmes

This year, as never before radio advertisers and the CBC gave wonderful support. Most of the large programmes gave valuable spot announcements, and those who could not because of previous commitments expressed hope for a successful week. The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, as usual gave splendid assistance. It broadcast on a coast to coast network the opening messages of His Excellency the Chief Scout and Her Royal Highness the Princess Alice, Honorary President of the Girl Guides.

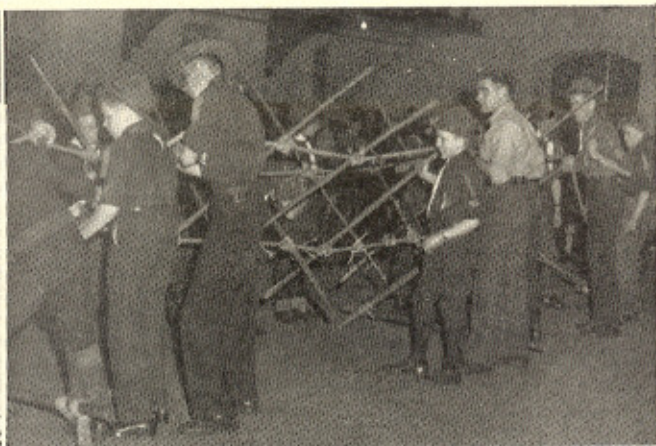
Through the courtesy of the CBC, and the assistance of the Boy and Girl Scouts of America and the Mutual Broadcasting System a splendid international exchange of greetings between the Scouts and Guides of Canada and the Scouts and Girl Scouts of America was made possible. Also on this programme were heard Mrs. John Corbett, of the Girl Guides and an American Scouter.

Many privately owned radio stations

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TOP, AND TWO FOLLOWING PICTURES SHOW SCENES AT THE BIG SCOUT-GUIDE WEEK DEMONSTRATION AT THE ARMORIES IN KINGSTON, ONT. BUILDING A MONKEY BRIDGE, OPERATING A BREECHES BUOY, AND A CUB JUNGLE DANCE.

BOTTOM: A GYMNASTIC GROUP IN ACTION AT THE MONTREAL SCOUT-CRAFT EXHIBITION HELD AT EATON'S STORE.



A Great Success

SEEDS FOR BRITAIN DRIVE

In acknowledging these donations to the Seeds for Britain Campaign, the drive for 1945 comes to a close. Planting is already under way in Britain and further seeds would not arrive in time to be distributed this year.

We would like to extend sincere thanks to all who helped make the drive this year such a success. There has been a splendid response to our appeal, and hundreds of Boy Scout Victory Gardens in Britain will be planted this year with the finest Canadian garden seeds. If any group has money on hand intended for seeds, it would be welcomed by the Chins-Up Fund, which is now undertaking to print a further supply of 5,000 books for Poland and another book for Belgium. Further information on this project appears on page 115.

We wish to acknowledge yet another fine donation of \$10.00 from the 2nd Ingersoll, Ont., Troop, which has been the most active group in Canada on behalf of the fund this year. The 26th Toronto Group, through Scoutmaster Harry Woods sent along \$2.00, and the Barrie, Ont., Local Association sent a donation of \$10.00 from the Packs and Troops in that community. They came through District Commissioner Bill Malcomson.

Akela George Groombridge of the 1st Peterborough, St. John's Pack, sent along \$5.00 which was made up of 5 cents per week from the boys during February as a B.-P. Memorial aim.

In one morning's mail came \$5.00 from the 1st Mitchell, Ont., Mohawk Troop; \$5.00 from the 1st Mitchell, Ont., Wolf Cub Pack; both sent in by J. M. Scott, secretary-treasurer of the Group Committee. Also was \$3.00 from the Smooth Rock Falls, Ont., Troop, W. Norman Hill, Scoutmaster; \$2.00 from the 32nd Ottawa Wolf Cub Pack, S. E. Proudman, Cubmaster, and \$2.00 from the 1st Crystal Beach, Ont., Troop, C. E. Jeffcott, Scoutmaster. This latter Troop is a brand new Troop which got right down to the business or doing a Good Turn for their brother Scouts overseas.

Miss Betty Farmer, Akela of the 2nd Brantford Pack, sent \$5.00 from that Pack for a parcel of seeds, and the final donation before going to press came from the 2nd Guelph Troop, and its Troop newspaper *The Scout Record*. Part of the money came from the sale

of the newspaper and the balance from Troop funds. The gift of \$5.00 was sent in by Malcolm MacKinnon, Editor of *The Record*.

Just as we were about to take the above to the printers, along came a donation from away up in Canada's northland, Dawson City, Yukon Territory. It was a postal note for \$2.00 from the 1st Dawson City Troop and Pack. This Group is the most northerly group in all Canada, but apparently not so far north that it is not interested in the welfare of our brother Scouts in Britain. The letter was written by Mrs. E. Gaundroue, Secretary-Treasurer of the Local Association.

St. George's Day

SCOOTS, Cubs and particularly Rovers, should make special observance of April 23rd, the festival of Scouting's

Patron Saint, St. George. The event may be marked by church services on the nearest Sunday (April 22nd), by Scouts' Own services, and by other special events. St. George's Day is considered the Rover day of the year, and all Rover Crews should strive for a special programme to mark the day.

Where no special arrangements are made, every Scouter should draw the attention of his Cubs or Scouts to St. George's Day, relate its connection with Scouting, and tell the story of St. George, with its implications of good, clean, courageous living.

Material for the story of St. George may be obtained at any library.

Because of the difficulty of speaking effectively to boys of Cub, Scout and Rover age in one group, it might be better advised to hold separate observances of St. George's Day in each section of the Group.

Children have neither a past nor a future. Thus they enjoy the present—which seldom happens to us.—Bruyere.



PART OF THE SCOUT-CRAFT DISPLAY IN THE T. EATON CO. STORE AT MONTREAL DURING SCOUT-GUIDE WEEK.

APPEAL TO ALL SCOUTS

The Boy Scouts Association,
306 Metcalfe St.,
Ottawa.

March 19th, 1945

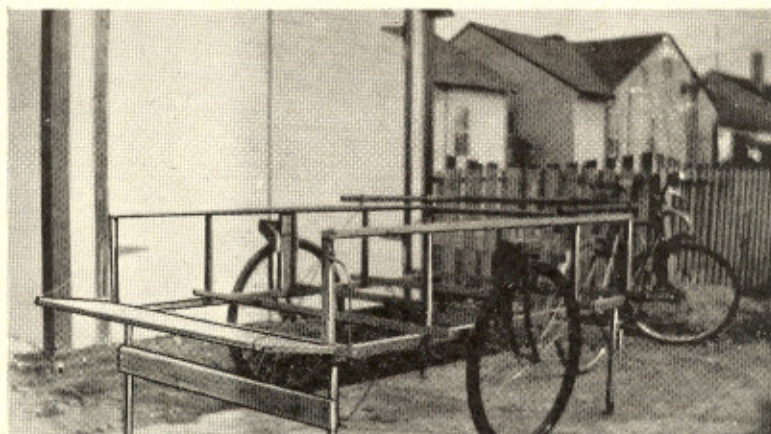
Dear Sirs,

During past Victory Loans Boy Scouts throughout Canada have been very helpful in assisting these undertakings. On April 23rd the Eighth Victory Loan will open and I hope that the Boy Scout organization will find it possible to once again render this very fine service to national and local Committees.

I know that I speak for all branches of the National War Finance Committee organization when I express appreciation to the Boy Scouts in Canada for all they have done to help us.

Yours very truly,
G. F. TOWERS,
General Chairman.

A Winnipeg Bicycle Drawn Trek Cart



By S.M. D. WINSLADE, 83rd Winnipeg

SUMMER and outdoor activities and hikes are right ahead. This is the time to be looking over your hiking and camping equipment. Tents to overhaul, new pegs to make and tools, such as shovels and axes put in good working trim.

One piece of equipment which our troop was in need of to carry tents, poles, etc., was a trek cart. So in the fall of 1943 we laid our plans and began the construction of a cart.

Now trek carts have been made in many designs and many troops have fine trek carts in use. We planned to have one built on the lines of a trailer behind a bicycle. We accordingly procured two bicycle front wheels and two front forks which had the posts damaged. Having secured a good dry oak plank we sawed this up in long strips and used these to build a light but strong body frame. First the long side sills were cut to length, then the cross sills were mortised to fit over the long sills and extend about five inches outside.

At each corner and where each intermediate sill crossed a post was set up and a long stout screw put through the cross of the sills and into the bottom of the post. Then a top rail was put on two sides and the front. For the back we secured a door panel and arranged it to hinge down from the back sill with two lengths of light chain to hold it flat out when open. Now to secure the forks to the side of this frame, we put in a board between sill and rail and used two light "U" bolts to secure the forks to the side. Place one at the very top and one as low as possible.

Of course, it is necessary to place formed blocks between the forks and the side of the body to hold the wheels vertically true. A bracket over the top of the forks assists in carrying the load and provides a method of bracing the forks to keep the wheels aligned. This bracket can also be the top centre support for a mud guard. We used a rear guard with supports at each end of the axle.

To support the cart when standing,

we hinged a frame under each end to swing down and secure with hooks. This keeps the wheels about 2" off the ground.

To make the hitch to the towing wheel we secured some light tubing and formed it in the shape of a "Y" with the hitch end long enough to allow the rear wheel of the towing bicycle to clear the cart and the two arms extending back along the top of the body frame and passing through two quarter inch diameter eye bolts on each side. One of these eye bolts extends through the front of the side frame vertically and further back the eye bolt slants back through the side frame to near the centre at the bottom. An eye was welded to the front end of the hitch and a heavy leather strap used to attach the hitch to the towing wheel.

Next we lined the bottom, sides and front with very light wood. Three pieces of light tubing were secured and formed into bows to hold the cover. These bows were inserted through two eyes at each side to be removable. We had some canvas shaped to fit over the bows and this can be lashed to the body.

On fairly good roads the cart can carry a fair load drawn by one wheel, but it is possible to attach other tow lines on each side.

The size being 42" x 6' makes it possible to use the cart for an ambulance, or even for a tent at camp to accommodate two boys. The two pictures give a further idea of the construction.

✦ War Decorations ✦

Distinguished Flying Cross

FO Harold Calder, RCAF, First Class Scout and PL, 20th Ascension Troop, Montreal.

S/L Kenneth Fiset, RCAF, First Class Scout and PL, 20th Ascension Troop, Montreal.

F/Lt. J. J. Fultz, RCAF, ASM, 17th Halifax Troop.

Military Cross

Lieut. Roger McLellan, Scout, 2nd New Glasgow, N.S., Troop.

Capt. Roger V. Schelderup, Troop Leader, 1st Courtney, B.C., Troop.

Mentioned in Despatches

Lieut. John Temple Meyer, Cub and Scout, Port Burwell, Ont.

Keep faith with our fighters—buy Victory Bonds for keeps.

Headquarters Notices

His Excellency the Governor-General, Chief Scout for Canada has been pleased to approve the following warrants of appointment.

Provincial President

A. H. Richardson, Toronto, Ont.

Assistant Provincial Commissioner

Thomas H. King, Moncton, N.B.

District Commissioners

James W. Waeker, Moncton, N.B.

Alan Pardoe, Prince Albert, Sask.

Frank Orval Troy, Woodstock, N.B.

Assistant District Commissioners

Wilbert Callum, Sarnia, Ont.

C. Kenneth Pearson, Niagara Falls, Ont.

Frank S. Hunt, Windsor, Ont.

District Scoutmasters

S. Thomas Fox, Toronto, Ont.

Stuart J. Lepper, Toronto, Ont.

Scoutmasters

Gerald Leslie Bobbitt, Halifax, N.S.

Frank Graham, Woodside, N.S.

Harry John Waeker, Toronto, Ont.

Robert Richardson, Alderwood, Ont.

Albert William Thompson, Kingston, Ont.

Herbert MacLeod Buntain, Westville, N.S.

Poul Caroe, Kimberley, B.C.

Assistant Scoutmasters

John Francis Campbell, Winnipeg, Man.

Norman W. Stanley Paul, Toronto, Ont.

District Cubmaster

Margaret E. Northover, Hamilton, Ont.

Cubmasters

Margaret Amelia Chevis, Winnipeg, Man.

Lillian Gertrude Warne, Victoria, B.C.

Clarence W. Young, Windsor, Ont.

DeWayne Bruce Decan, Hamilton, Ont.

George H. Hodson, Toronto, Ont.

Leslie A. Chiddenton, Toronto, Ont.

Charles Chinchin, Toronto, Ont.

James Brown, Trail, B.C.

Assistant Cubmasters

Laura De Vlaming, Winnipeg, Man.

Elinor Lunn, Toronto, Ont.

Ross Edwin Binnington, Toronto, Ont.

Helen E. Patterson, Toronto, Ont.

John Allan Carr, Toronto, Ont.

Georgina Cramer, Toronto, Ont.

You cannot teach a child to take care of himself unless you will let him try to take care of himself. He will make mistakes; and out of these mistakes will come his wisdom.

—H. W. Beecher.



FIFTEEN SOUTH AMERICAN SCOUT LEADERS FROM TEN DIFFERENT COUNTRIES RECENTLY VISITED TORONTO, MONTREAL AND OTTAWA. HERE GENERAL TORRES DURAN, CHIEF SCOUT OF COLOMBIA SHAKES HANDS WITH OTTAWA'S MAYOR STANLEY LEWIS AS THE GROUP IS WELCOMED TO THE CAPITAL. THEY WERE ALSO RECEIVED BY THE CHIEF SCOUT AND THE PRIME MINISTER.

WHAT SCOUTERS ARE SAYING

AN OPEN FORUM WHERE SCOUTERS DISCUSS THEIR PROBLEMS

The Editor,
The Scout Leader

Here in Windsor we have lost via the armed forces some 100 active leaders as well as many older boys and Rovers who during the war have reached manhood. After the war is over they will be coming back into the Movement fortified with more knowledge and better equipped to help the Movement in general. The question arises how will they fit into places that are already filled by new leaders? Will a former S.M. or District S.M. be willing to go back to his Troop and become an A.S.M. under a leader who is new to the game and in many cases is not perhaps as capable a leader as his predecessor.

In other instances the present new leader may be more capable than the former and will not wish to step down to a subordinate position.

It has been stated that all leaders are equal or have equal rights and responsibilities in running a troop or pack whether S.M. or A.S.M. theoretically it is O.K. but working it out it is another thing.

Many Cub Packs have been taken over by girls and women after male

leaders have left. Will the male leaders on coming back to their old Packs be willing to work under a female leader. It will be like trying to hold in an old war horse when the bugle blows. These problems have to be faced now if we are not going to lose leaders to the Movement. Will Scouting expand enough to take in all these leaders and what does H.Q. propose to do about this situation? It is a very delicate situation and I am interested in just how it will work itself out.

BOB FEETHAM,
C.M., 1st Windsor.

Editor's Note. We doubt very much if the problem raised by this Scouter will reach as serious proportions as he appears to think. The letter suggests that all Scouters have equal rights and responsibilities. This is not quite correct. An Assistant is what the title implies, and does not carry with it the responsibility of the Scoutmaster or the Cubmaster. We feel quite sure that the problem will be worked out, as similar problems have worked out in the past. The expansion of the Movement will, as Bob suggests, play an important part in the rehabilitation of leaders returning from overseas.

Scout-Guide Week

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were exceedingly generous with the time they placed at the disposal of the Scout organization, while some gave regular daily spot announcements.

Church Services

From the newspaper clippings which have come in it would seem that almost every Pack and Troop in Canada started or closed the week with a religious observance. This apparently made a splendid impression for the Toronto Centre Presbytery of the United Church by resolution commended the religious observance of the week.

At some services new colours were presented and at others colours were dedicated. Reports of the church services across the country revealed a tremendous interest in the Movement with the churches packed to capacity for these special services. It was noted too that at the majority of these services the ceremony of the reaffirmation of the Scout and Cub promise was carried out. In several instances Honour Rolls were unveiled.

Weekday Activities

We would like to be able to detail some of the individual activities during the week, but that is not possible. Some are pictured in this issue.

However, there were reports of father and son banquets, group banquets, plays, demonstrations, displays, hobby shows, open nights, joint meetings of Guides and Scouts, presentations of medals and other awards, P.L. training courses and conferences, flag raising ceremonies at municipal buildings and many other functions.

One of the more valuable innovations this year was that started in London, Ont., where the week was marked by special exercises in the schools. Cubs, Scouts, Brownies and Guides attended school in uniform. Flag raising ceremonies, campfire programmes, demonstrations of Scout and Guide work were also featured in this very worthy effort.

At scores of service Clubs throughout the country the story of Scouting and Guiding was told by special speakers. In many centres the Mayor officially proclaimed the week with advertisements in the local newspapers.

There were successful drives for leaders and successful drives for new boys. In one report it said that as a result of the Scout banquet, to which was invited a number of ladies, the Girl Guides which had been inactive for some time was reorganized. Several new Scout Groups were formed during the week.

We would be remiss were we to omit special mention of the support given the Week by merchants all across the country. Some of the larger departmental stores like Eatons, Simpsons and the Hudson Bay Company donated full pages of space to bring to public attention the worthiness of our Movement.

While it has been the task of Do-

minion Headquarters to plan and publicise Scout-Guide Week, its success would have been impossible without the fine co-operation of all Provincial and District Commissioners, executive and volunteer, and the hundreds of Scouters who carried out the plans in their own groups and communities. To them we extend grateful thanks.

BOY SCOUT WEEK
1946 DATES
FEBRUARY 17-23

Former Scout Leads Edmonton Squadron

S/L Frank Montgomery of Ottawa, Ont., (128 Hawthorne Ave.) and Saskatoon, Sask., who held a commercial flying license back in 1936, has been appointed flight commander of the City of Edmonton squadron, says a release from the R.C.A.F. Public Relations Department.

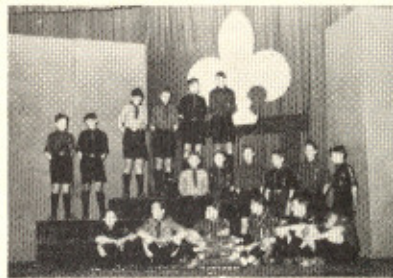
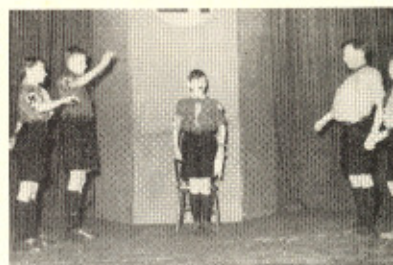
Out of action for some time with an infected hand, he joined this squadron last August.

S/L Montgomery learned to fly at the old Saskatoon Air Club, later called the Saskatoon Flying Club. Lining up with the R.C.A.F. at the outbreak of war he went back to Camp Borden for his wings. He instructed at the Calgary Air Club School and was at the Elementary school in Lethbridge when it first opened. From there he went to a conversion squadron at Picton, Ont., where he trained American pilots. His last assignment before proceeding overseas was as Chief Instructor at Saskatoon.

Well-known in Scouting circles throughout Canada S/L Montgomery, as a Scout in Saskatoon was one of the six who represented Canada at the Jamboree in Budapest in 1933. As a Scoutmaster and a Rover he played a big part in the growth of the Boy Scout Movement in Saskatchewan.

A Chinese Boy Scout

TO HENG KLAU was a Chinese Boy Scout living in Manila. He had been saving for a long time to buy a bicycle, and had \$13.00 saved to this end. When the Japanese destroyed Shanghai Heng sent his entire savings to a Chinese Relief organization. Mrs. Henry Ford hearing the story sent for the boy to come to the U.S. There she presented him with a bicycle. Still remembering the suffering in his homeland he rented out the bicycle and sent the proceeds to the Relief fund.



ABOVE ARE PICTURED SCENES FROM VANCOUVER'S HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL SCOUT SHOW, STAGED DURING SCOUT-GUIDE WEEK. IT WAS PRODUCED AND DIRECTED BY SCOUTMASTER JOHN BARNES, THE NOTED CBC PRODUCER, WHO HAS ARRANGED MANY COAST TO COAST SCOUT BROADCASTS.

HERE'S HOW TO STAGE

A CYCLORAMA

A VERY successful outdoor district event in Timmins, Ont., last year was the 1944 Cyclorama. Some 700 Scouts and Cubs took part in the event, which was called by the local newspaper "a great day of field and track events for Scouts and Cubs."

As an aid to other districts which might care to try a Cyclorama, we are outlining the various events of the Timmins production. It started with a parade through the town, followed by a flag break ceremony and the official opening by the Mayor. Then a fine programme of events got under way.

First came the regular field events, such as 50 and 75 yard races, Running High Jump Softball Throw, Potato Bag races, and relay races for Cubs. For Scouts there were similar events, and these were followed by special events for both Scouts and Cubs. Here are the special events.

Scout Events

First Aid Race—Two Men and a Patient: Scouts run 50 yards to patient apply triangular bandage to head and treat lower left arm for simple fracture, put arm in triangular bandage sling. Form three handed seat and carry patient back at a walk. Team to furnish bandages and splints. First Aid supplies not used need not be brought back with patient.

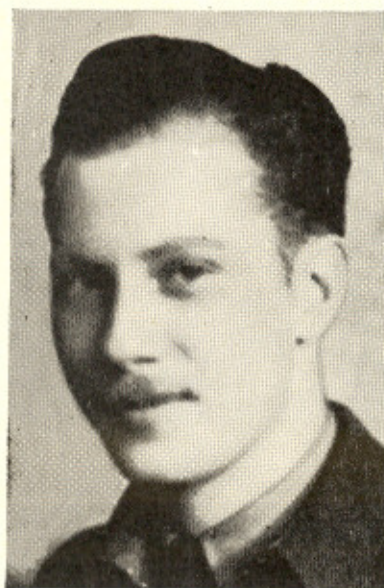
Judge—A First Aid Expert—Shall disqualify team if all bandages are not correctly, neatly, and firmly done, or if Scouts run with and jolt patient. **Speed Event.** Patient not more than 10 lbs. lighter than rescuers.

Rescue Race—One Man and a Patient: Patient lies on back, head towards rescuer, one arm horizontal. Rescuer runs 30 yards, picks up patient in Fireman's lift, and returns with him. Team to be disqualified if patient is not properly adjusted within 5 yards of patient line, or if patient in any way assists rescuer. Patient not more than 10 lbs. lighter than rescuer. **Speed event.**

Knot Tying—Patrol of Six and Four Ropes: First man runs to log ties Clove Hitch on log, then runs back, tags second man who ties his rope to the rope of 1st man with a Reef Knot, then runs back. Third man ties his rope with Sheet Bend, then runs back. Fourth man ties his rope with Fishermans, then runs back. Fifth man shortens rope with Sheep Shank. Sixth man ties Bowline around body and drags the log to finish line. **Speed event.**

Ropes not to be more than six feet long.

Semaphore Signalling—Four Men: reader, sender, receiver and writer: Stations 50 yards apart; no signs or communications other than flag signals permitted. A thirty word message totalling approximately 100 letters will

**SCOUT CRAFTSMAN**

SCORES OF CANADIAN SOLDIERS WHO LOST LIMBS IN EUROPE, AND WHO WERE PRISONERS OF WAR IN GERMANY ARE GRATEFUL TO CPL. DON EVERY, ABOVE, WHO MADE ARTIFICIAL LIMBS FOR THEM FROM ODDS AND ENDS IN THE GERMAN CAMP. DON RELATED THAT HE LEARNED HANDICRAFTS AS A SCOUT IN WALLACEBURG, ONTARIO.

be given to reader. As soon as writer has taken down message, he runs to starter with it. No abbreviations allowed, no insertions or corrections on message as received. Each letter wrong to be penalized 1 second. **Speed event.** Five minutes allowed.

Tree Felling—One Man with Axe from each Group: Tree to be felled on desired spot. Neatness of cut and accuracy to count. Tree must be felled within three minutes. Contestant to supply his own axe.

Cross Cut—Three men—Two to Saw and One to Hold Log: A neat cut on both ends desired. **Speed event.** Team to supply own saw. A neat cut of 4" from both ends of tree desired.

String Burning—One Man: Officials to set up strings 18" from ground, fastened to stakes 3' apart, in one straight line, and supply each contestant with two matches and one stick of seasoned wood, approximately

3" x 3' long. Contestants to furnish knife and axe. No preliminary preparation of fire place or of wood permitted. Only two matches allowed. Contestants to build fire on ground in such a way as to ignite string. **Speed event.**

Message Relay—One Patrol of Eight Boys: Message—A small paragraph of not more than 50 words. First man to memorize message and last to write it down. No form of contact to come between boys except when message is passed on.

Tent Pitching—Team of Four Boys: Team to supply all equipment. **Speed event.** 10' x 12' x 3'. Wall tents to be used.

Bridge Building—Team of Four Boys: Team to supply all poles and equipment. Four points given for strength, three points for knots, and three points for lashings. Open to any type of bridge.

Cub Events

Leapfrog—One Six of Six Boys: Travelling distance of 50 yards. Each boy not to take more than 3 steps after leap.

Book Balancing—Six—Two Boards: Travel 5 yards each way. If board falls off, man to start over.

Ball Throwing—Six: Each boy to catch ball twice, once while sitting down, and once while standing up. If ball not caught, to try again.

Trains and Tunnels: Tall boy in front, feet apart. First boy runs through legs, then runs back and second boy joins on and so on till all go through the tunnel and hang on behind train.

Figure Eight Hopping: Each boy to hop figure eight. Second boy to start only when he is tagged by first boy.

Skiping Contest: Each boy to skip 10 frontwards, and ten times backwards.

Picking Cub by Elbows—One Six of Six Boys: Cubs sitting down one behind the other in Indian file facing same direction. The last man will pick the man in front of him by the elbows who in turn will lift the one in front of him and so on until last man who runs to the back and repeats the whole thing over again until finished. Man to sit down again after lifting his man up.

Throwing Balls Through Legs of Sixes: Two Sixes in Indian formation each facing the other, 10 yards apart. 1 ball. The ball is thrown through legs of one six, the last man gets it and runs in front of other six across from him and throws the ball through legs again. **Speed event.** Sixes are on opposite sides at end of game.

CHINS-UP FUND



5,000 More Books to go to Poland

When Canadian Scouts first undertook the worthy project of providing Scout handbooks for the Scouts of Europe whose countries had been overrun by the enemy—the Polish Scouting for Boys was the initial undertaking. Three thousand copies were printed and forwarded to headquarters of the Polish Scouts in London. That shipment has been exhausted and to fill an urgent need for a further supply, 5,000 additional copies have been ordered and will be shipped overseas as soon as possible.

The first edition of the book was distributed to Polish Scout Troops in refugee centres in East and South Africa, Iran, Palestine, New Zealand and Mexico. The new edition is needed for Poland itself where Scouting has remained active despite the Nazi oppression.

Polish Scouts Praised

The Polish Prime Minister, Mr. Arciszewski recently sent a message to all Polish Scouts. In part he said:

"Polish Scouting occupies a prominent place in the life of Poland. Its part in Poland's fight for freedom, and the useful services it has rendered in bringing up the new generation during Poland's independence, are well known to all. During this war Polish Scouting remained faithful to its ideals and traditions, and it has been serving the country by bringing up youth, and by fighting against the enemy. By its efficiency and self-sacrifice, it took one of the foremost places in the underground Movement."

The Prime Minister adds that Scouting can play a very useful role in the future by "proclaiming and putting into practice in everyday life the ideal of Scout brotherhood among the youth of the whole world."

It is to this cause that present donations to the Chins-Up Fund are being given. The total contributions to the fund have now reached \$54,730.46. Much of this money was sent to

Britain and expended on relief work among Scouts during the blitz. The balance is used to pay for the printing of these books for European Scouts whose countries were conquered. The current issue of 5,000 copies of the Polish Book will bring to 38,000 books provided by the Boy Scouts and Wolf Cubs of Canada to aid their brothers Scouts in Poland, France, The Netherlands, Czechoslovakia, and Norway. Two books were published for each of France and The Netherlands.

Tightening the Bonds

The effect of this grand work on the Scout Movement is reflected in the fact that the Boy Scouts of America are now undertaking similar work. It can best be summed up in one sentence from a recent letter from Henry Kapiszewski, of the Supreme Council of the Polish Boy Scouts in London: "The bonds between Polish and Canadian Scouting are tightening more and more."

Donations to the Chins-Up Fund should be sent to your Provincial or District Office, which will see that they reach their proper destination.

Donations received up to and including March 20th include:

3rd Galt, Ont., Pack; 42nd Winnipeg Pack; 13th Winnipeg Troop; 27th St. George's, Man., Pack; 1st Neepawa, Man., Troop; 1st Lantz, N.S., Troop; 26th London, Ont., Group; Victoria, B.C., District Scouters' Course; Peterborough, Ont., Local Association.

3rd North Bay, Ont., Group; Brantford, Ont., Local Association; 10th Brantford, Ont., Troop; 1st Collingwood, Ont., Group; Kincardine, Ont., Local Association; 1st Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont., Pack; 3rd Ottawa Group; 1st Barrie, Ont., Troop; Brownies, Cubs, Guides and Scouts of Cormorant, Man.

1st Agincourt, Ont., Group; 2nd North Bay, Ont., Pack; Ganges, B.C., Girl Guides and Ganges Troop; Mr. J. C. Gillooly, Toronto, Ont.; Brandon, Man., Local Association; 9th Winnipeg Pack; 9th Winnipeg Troop; 9th Winnipeg Leaders; 6th London, Ont., Pack; Trail-Rossland, B.C., Scouts.

Flin Flon, Man., Scouts; 1st Port Burwell, Ont., Sea Scout Troop; 6th Kitchener, Ont., Group; Chatham, Ont., Scouts; 1st Blackstock, Ont., Troop; 1st London, Ont., Troop; 19th London, Ont., Pack; London, Ont., Scouts; Assiniboia, Man., Executive Committee; J. Harold Williams, Providence, Rhode Island; 1st Caledonia, Ont., Pack and Troop.

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Sherbrooke's Good Turn Week

SHERBROOKE, Que., Local Association staged a very successful Good Turn Week. It got under way with the Scouts doing individual Good Turns such as snow shovelling, carrying wood, etc. The Association sponsored four motion picture shows in church and school halls in different wards of the city. These shows were free to children who are barred from the commercial movies. Nearly 400 attended these shows and Scouts were on hand in uniform to supervise. The Good Turn Week attracted good publicity in the press.

Form New Association

As a result of a district rally in February at Neepawa, Manitoba, a new district association came into being. Scouts and leaders came from seven neighbouring towns. There were twelve hockey games between Scout Troops and Cub Packs. After the hockey there was a big banquet at Knox Church, followed by entertainment. There was also an informal leaders' conference which resulted in the formation of the district Association. The rally closed on Sunday with a church parade in which the Guides and Brownies joined. Provincial Executive Commissioner E. F. Mills spoke at the dinner and at the Sunday service.

Press Opinions on the Boy Scout Movement

Elora Ontario Express—To our mind there are one or two outstanding characteristics of Scouting and Cubbing which should be given special mention. Baden-Powell had a dream which came true. There is practically no country in the world where this organization is not known and their ideal of service has been nobly carried on during this war.

Windsor Daily Star—Probably the highest recommendation of Scouting is the fact that it has been discouraged and suppressed in totalitarian countries. The war has wiped out the Movement in Germany, Italy and in Japan.

Scouting probably appeals to boys first and foremost because it offers them opportunities to have fun. There is certainly nothing wrong with that. It is the nature of youngsters to want to play and the Scouts provide facilities for pleasurable recreation, under the best supervision and aimed at definite objectives of character-building.

St. Thomas Times-Journal—This is Boy Scout Week—An event which annually coincides with the birthday on February 22nd, 1857, of the late Lord Baden-Powell, founder of the movement which in 37 short years has come to be recognized throughout the civilized world as one of the greatest character building agencies yet devised.

The Calgary Herald—Today it (Scouting) is recognized in all free and democratic countries as one of the most fruitful youth character building influences ever conceived. In all walks of life, whether in war or peace times, young men who have gone through the training given in Boy Scout Units are to be found among their nation's best citizens and most outstanding leaders.

Mitchell Ontario Advocate—Boys and girls grow up only once. They deserve this splendid guidance (Scouting and Guiding). They are the men and women of tomorrow shaping the destinies of our country and its people. They will provide some of the stabilizing force that will be needed in post-war years when the energies of every nation will be concentrated on winning the peace.



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Definite Uniform Rulings

In Port Arthur, Ont., the Local Association has set definite dates for Scouts and Cubs to wear winter and summer uniforms. Winter uniforms consisting of breeks instead of shorts is to be worn from September 15th to May 30th and summer uniform with shorts the balance of the year. This ruling was made to ensure uniformity throughout the district. The rule must be adhered to by all Scouts.

The Grand Howl

A SCOUTER in the armed forces who recently visited Headquarters, remarked on his visits to many Cub Packs in different parts of Canada, and he was somewhat puzzled to find that in nearly every Pack there was a different manner of doing the Grand Howl. Actually there is only one right way to do the Grand Howl, and that is the way B.-P. outlined in the *Wolf Cub Handbook*. The Grand Howl is one of those features of Cubbing which should make a Cub feel at home in any Pack in Canada. If one of your Cubs has to move to another town, and join a new Pack, he should find the Grand Howl the same in the new as in the old Pack.