

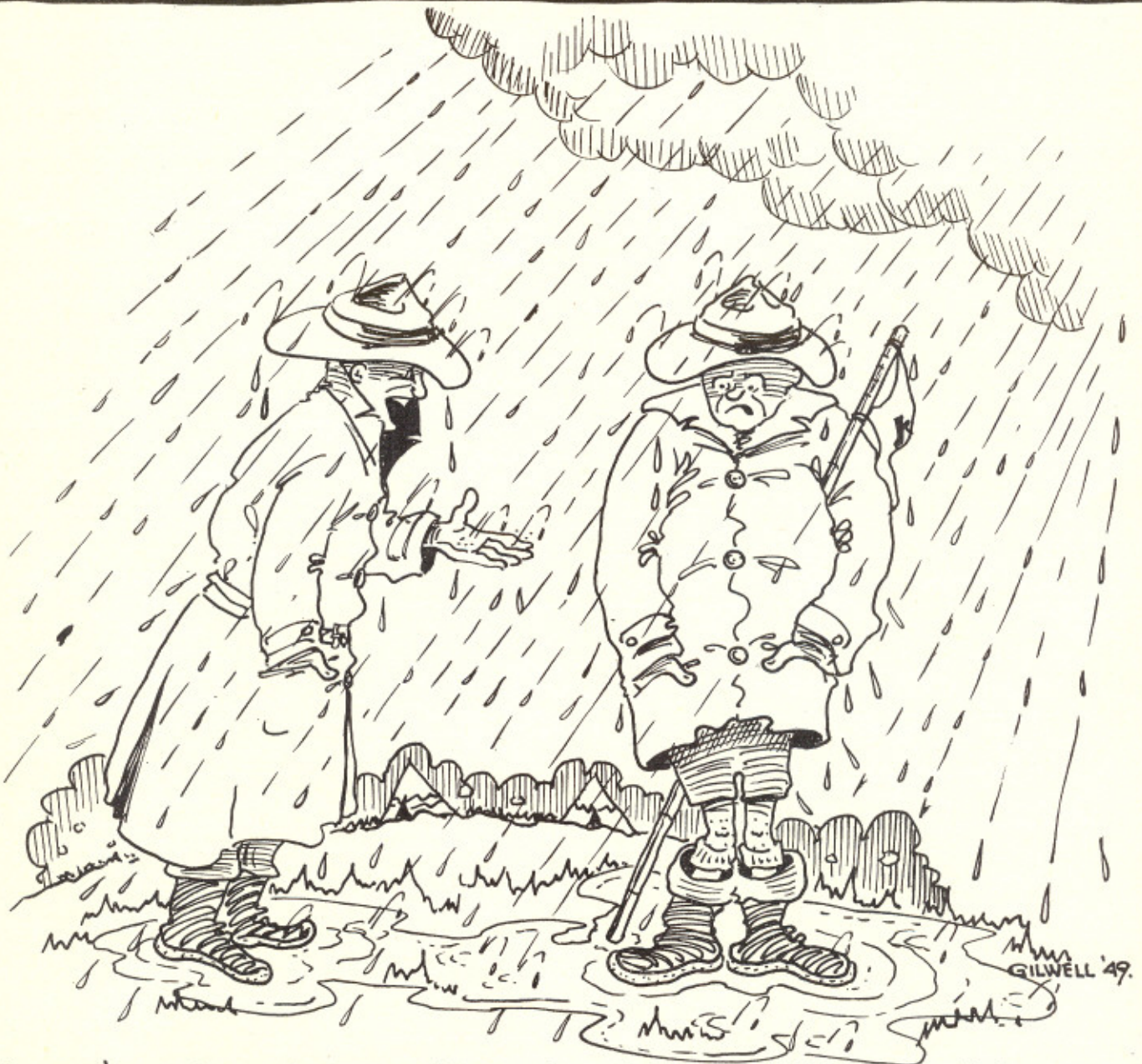
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".. LET'S OUR PATROL MAKE A CAMP SUNDIAL ...!!!!."

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The Sign Post

CAMPFIRE OPENINGS

ON A recent field trip I was asked by a Scouter for one or two campfire openings. It occurs to me that there may be many who would wish to have this at their disposal. Therefore, I give you one or two below with the hope that they may be of some use to you, either at your summer camp or indoor camp fires.

(1) *To be used on special occasions:*

- As the flames point upwards
—So be our aims;
- As the red logs glow
—So be our sympathies;
- As the grey ash fades
—So be our errors;
- As the campfire warms the circle
—So may the Scout ideal warm the world.

(General Godfrey Fausset)

(2) Here is an emblem; sparks that upward fly—

So may our hearts be young and spirits high.

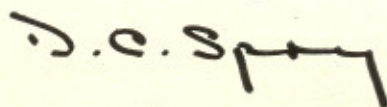
(Rex Hazelwood)

(3) *For the last evening in camp:*

- Now as we come to our last campfire
- Let's pause for a moment and praise
- The almighty God who saw fit to inspire
- Our Founder who gave us these days.

(John Thurman)

(4) From the North,
From the South,
From the East,
And from the West:
May good luck come to you.



Chief Executive Commissioner.

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CARTOONS

The cartoon used as a Cover Picture this month, and several others used in this issue are from the talented pen of Scoutmaster Stuart Nelson of Vernon, BC. All originally appeared in the Gilwell Log of the Wood Badge Course held at Semiahmoo Bay, White Rock, B.C., last summer. Mr. Nelson was good enough to redraw them for *The Scout Leader*, to help in the drive to make this year—1950—Canada's biggest year in Training.

What We Think

St. George's Day

APRIL brings with it the annual observance of St. George's Day—the festival of the Patron Saint of World Scouting. The selection of St. George as the Movement's Patron Saint was made by B.-P., because he saw in him the manly, courageous, and chivalrous example he wanted to set before Scouts as an ideal.

St. George's Day provides Scouters with an excellent opportunity to impress upon their lads those qualities of character of which St. George is emblematic. He was Patron Saint of the Knights of the Round Table, an ancient order of chivalry whose exploits are preserved in English traditions, and whose code embodied many of those characteristics which a true Scout is expected to possess. "Be always ready" was to the ancient knights what "Be Prepared" is to the modern Scout, and like the Scouts of today the Knights of the Round Table pledged themselves to be considerate to others, kind to the poor, courteous to all, patriotic, and honourable in all things.

B.-P. used to think of St. George's Day as a time for stock-taking—a time to look back and reflect upon mistakes that had been made and a time to look forward with a determination to avoid such mistakes in the future. He also regarded the day as an occasion for re-telling the tales that have gathered round the name of St. George. The best known of these is the legend of St. George and the Dragon, a yarn that still holds a fascination for young and old and makes an especial appeal to Cubs. Then the story of St. George and his martyrdom is among the fine things of history, and how he sacrificed himself for his fellow Christians must ever have a meaning for those who value good things.

St. George preferred to choose the way of true service to others rather than to fulfil personal ambi-

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WHY TRAINING?

BOY LEADERSHIP - A GREAT CHALLENGE

by E. F. Mills, Executive Commissioner for Training

IF THEY have not already done so, it is fairly certain that very soon the administrative staff of your workshop, factory or office will be passing round the annual holiday list.

If you are one of those Scouters who have not had the benefit of attending a Part II Wood Badge Course, make sure that you know the dates of Part II Courses being held in your province—they are published in this month's *Scout Leader*,—then try to arrange your holidays so that you can take advantage of the training offered. If you are a Scoutmaster or Cubmaster, then be sure to pass the information along to your Assistants.

This year will be rather a special one in training. We will have John Thurman, the Camp Chief at Gilwell Park, with us from July 17th to August 23rd and he will visit as many Part II Courses as his somewhat hurried itinerary will allow. I know that one visitor, no matter how distinguished, does not make a training course, but there is this to be said of John Thurman. He is a man thoroughly imbued with the Scout spirit. He is a wholehearted and loyal advocate of B.P.'s methods and there are few men better informed on Scouting methods or more capable of inspiring others. Bringing with him as he will the atmosphere of Gilwell Park with all its tradition and history, I am certain that his contribution to Canadian Scouting will be of inestimable value. Don't miss the opportunity of meeting John Thurman—he is a grand chap and very, very human.

A whole lot has been written year after year about the benefits of and the need for training. Perhaps it is to some extent redundant to put a few of the arguments before you again, but the importance of training is sufficient justification for so doing.

1. *We need to see Scouting from the boys' viewpoint.* There is no point in trying to impose a programme which does not appeal either in its content or application. There is only one real way to find out, and that is to get to the boys' level. When you attend a Part II Course you actually do become a Scout or a Cub most of the time, living as they live, playing as they play, working as they work.

2. *We need variety in our programmes.* A Part II Course is a constant

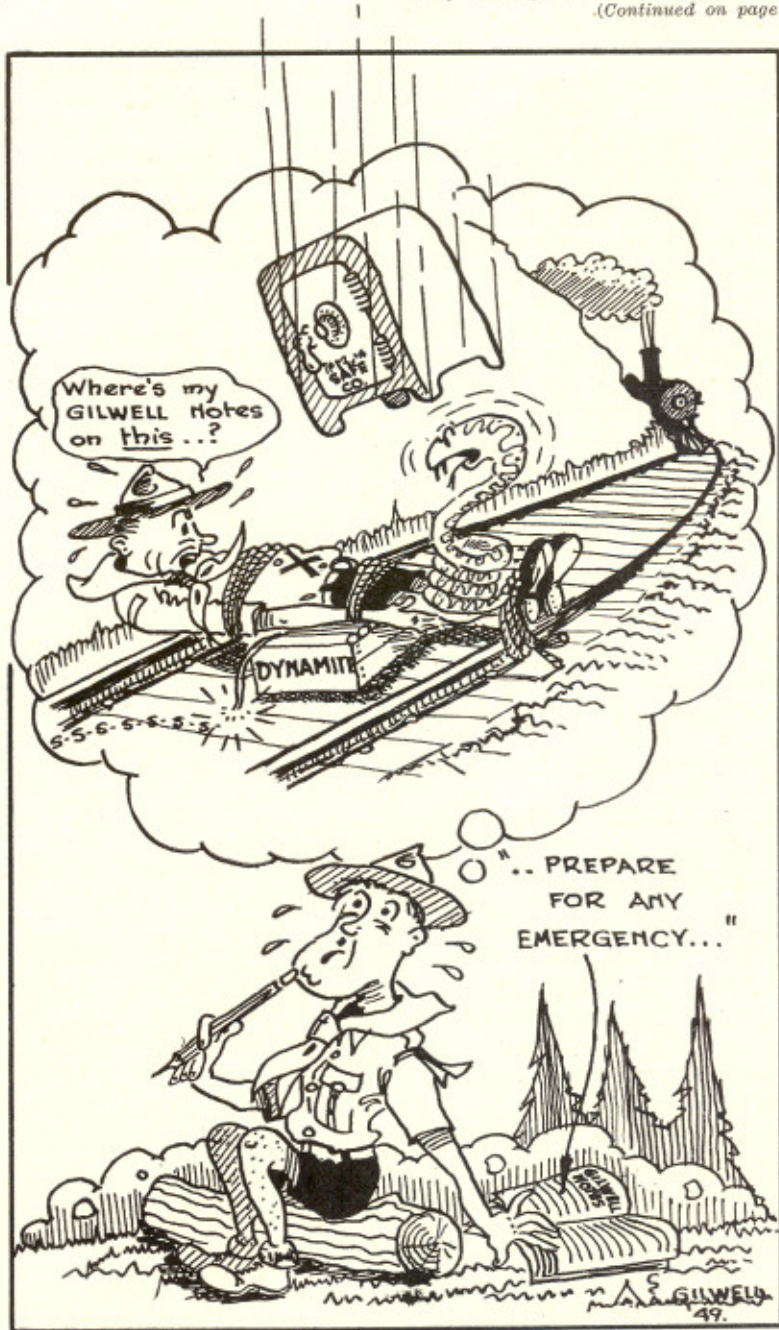
experience of ever changing activities and programme ideas. No two days are the same—there is something different every hour.

3. *We need good camping.* A Part II Course is run as would be a well organized Cub or Scout Camp. Good camping practices are taught under the supervision of people who know their job.

4. *We need to stress the out of doors.* A Part II Course is entirely an open air affair and the activities and programmes are essentially out of doors in their content.

5. *We need lots of imagination and adventure in our Scouting.* Ask any Scouter who has been there about the Wolf Cub expeditions, play acting, and story telling sessions or enquire from

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Stuart Nelson, Vernon, B.C.

Why Training?

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a Troop Scouter about the hike, obstacle expedition or patrol projects, you will find there is adventure and imagination aplenty.

6. *We need more contact with other Scouters.* In a Part II Course you are placed in a Patrol or Six. You live, play and work with them and thus arises an opportunity for exchange of ideas with people interested in the same things, whom you have perhaps never met before and who may be doing their Scouting or Cubbing a little differently but just as effectively.

7. *We need inspiration.* That is profoundly true and in the daily contact with others equally interested in the fun, work and daily routine, there is always an underlying feeling of inspiration. But particularly is this so at camp fires, when in the calm of the night, by the quiet embers of the fire a Scouter feels very close to the real meaning and purpose of Scouting.

One could go on adding to the list but space forbids. The main thing is that you make up your mind to attend a Part II Course this year. Sometimes we hear it said that a Scouter cannot go because it would mean foregoing his Troop or Pack Camp, but if by missing this event one year, the succeeding years' camps would be better would it not be in time well spent? The urge to serve is a noble one, but nobler still is the urge to learn how best to serve.

This business of boy leadership is an important issue and a great challenge. Prepare for it by training for the task.

St. George's Day

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tions. In this he was an example to all Scouts. As B.-P. has pointed out in the preface to *Scouting for Boys* Scouting is meant to make a boy efficient so that he may use his gifts in the service of his community. In a reference to St. George in *Scouting for Boys* B.-P. also showed how he was related to the Knights of the Round Table, and when St. George's Day arrives on April 23 Scouters could not do better than turn to "Camp Fire Yarn:—No. 20" and recall to their Scouts and Cubs how the knights of old laid great stress on chivalry to others, discipline of self, and self improvement.



R. O. Cutler—Halifax, N.S.

DEATH has robbed Scouting of two outstanding leaders in recent months in the persons of Robert O. Cutler of Halifax, and Executive Commissioner Leonard Wheeler of Galt, both of whom died on Monday, January 16th.

Mr. Cutler, Assistant Provincial Commissioner for Nova Scotia was 47, and had been active in Scouting since boyhood as Scout, Scoutmaster, District Commissioner, and then Assistant Provincial Commissioner. He was Scoutmaster for many years of the 9th Halifax Troop, in which Chief Executive Commissioner D. C. Spry was at one time a member. Mr. Cutler was also an active worker in All Saints Cathedral, having served as Secretary-Treasurer since 1935, and a member of the choir since he was a boy. A keen tennis player, a member of the Commercial Club and of the Scottish Rite, Mr. Cutler was a Chief Clerk of the Treasury of the Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Company.

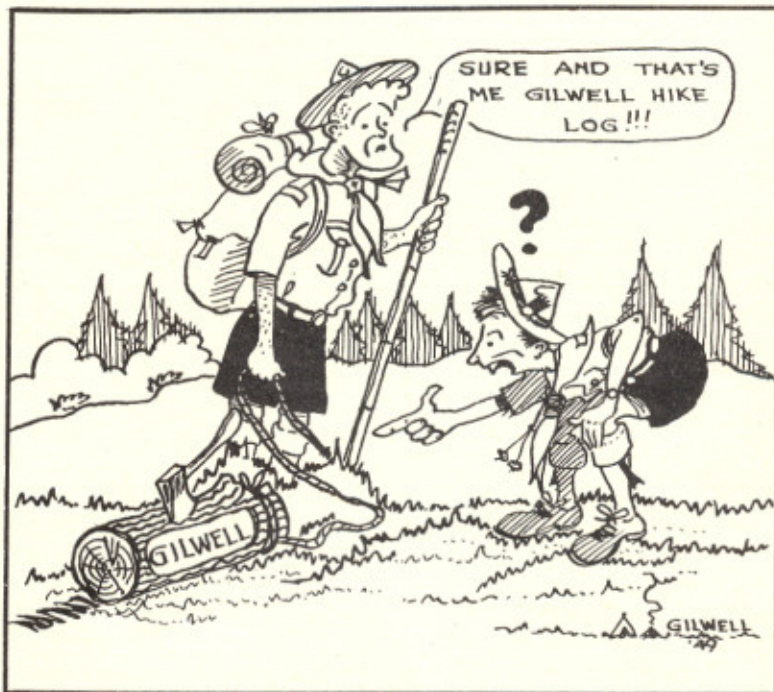
Leonard Wheeler—Galt, Ont.

Mr. Wheeler, who died in a London, Ont., Hospital, was Executive Com-

missioner for the South Waterloo, and active in Scouting for 40 years. Mr. Wheeler was first associated with Scouting in 1910 when he joined the 1st King's Norton Pack in England. Coming to Canada at the age of 10 he continued his interest as a boy and as a leader, culminating in his appointment as Executive Commissioner in 1945. He served with the Canadian Forces in the first World War, and returning to Galt in 1919 immediately took up Scout leadership again. A very large crowd turned out in tribute to Mr. Wheeler at his funeral in Central Presbyterian Church, Galt, on January 18th. "Life should not be measured," Rev. Dr. M. B. Davidson said, "in terms of years, but more especially by the quality of the years. Many persons live long and do little. Some are called from the midst of life's activities who have accomplished a life's work in a short time. Such a man was Leonard Wheeler."

Parents and the Cub Pack

THE American Cubbing programme lays stress on the use of parents in the working of the Pack. Similarly, Canadian Cubbing might well follow this practice and not only ease the burden of the Pack leaders, but arouse much greater interest in the programme among parents by using more parents than we do for instruction and other purposes.



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Stuart Nelson, Vernon, B.C.

HELPS FOR AKELAS

STORY TELLING AS AID TO
TEACHING WOLF CUB TESTS

By *Mary A. Pickering, Akela,*
3rd Victoria Pack

TELLING Time is one of the First Star tests—but the majority of boys of Cub age can already tell time so it is a test that is more or less uninteresting. After giving a yarn on the origin of Time there is a possibility of it slipping into the background and when we are looking for variety in programmes, it should not be overlooked.

It may be introduced from time to time in an interesting manner by making up a story using time throughout. If an Akela is not adapted to making up stories, take any short story and put time into it.

Take an alarm clock or clock card and with the Cubs sitting in a circle give the clock to a Cub. I read the story and as each "time" is mentioned the Cub having the clock sets the pointers to correspond. Baloo follows the clock around checking the Cubs as each has his turn.

One evening I attended a Pack meeting and they failed to have a clock so I used the same idea using a compass card and a very impromptu story. I told a story about a day in the Jungle with Mowgli.

I started—"One morning Mowgli awoke as the sun was coming up in the East"—and went on to the different directions to see different animals of the Jungle. In the story I brought in how the mother bear teaches her cubs to somersault, how Kaa boxed and wrestled with Mowgli, how Bagheera taught Mowgli to climb out onto the branches of a tree. Not only were the Cubs using the compass they were becoming acquainted with how the jungle characters are taught.

An Akela may choose any story of adventure or comedy from the Jungle Books and with a little imagination adapt them for use with clock cards or compass cards, thus combining a test and a yarn.

Here is a sample story.

Jimmy's Day at the Circus

Jimmy woke one morning, he looked at the clock on his dresser and as it was only 7.30 he lay there thinking. Suddenly from outside he heard some-

one calling "Jimmy! Hi Jimmy!" He looked out of the window and saw his friend Bobby. "What do you want Bobby?" he called. "Hurry up, it's 15 minutes to eight Jimmy," said Bobby, "the circus wagons are in town and they are going to start to unload at 9 o'clock. We are supposed to meet the boys down by the church at 5 minutes after 9. I'll go on ahead and you hurry up eh?" Jimmy said he would be as fast as he could. The pointers on the clock pointed to 8 o'clock when he went downstairs, but do you know what had happened? Jimmy hadn't folded his clothes neatly when he went to bed last night at ten minutes past 8 and he had mixed his socks up, he couldn't find one so he grabbed another and Mother made him go back upstairs and change to a complete pair. By the time he came back down it was 20 minutes after 8. He sat down to eat his breakfast. He was so excited he didn't want to eat but Mother said, "Take your time and eat your breakfast, if you leave here at 10 minutes to nine you'll be in lots of time. Jimmy took her advice and

was soon on his way to meet the boys at the church. Down the street they headed, all talking at once. Going through town they spied some boy's wrist watches in the jeweller's window. Bobby said, "I'm getting a watch for my birthday." One boy said, "Why, you can't tell time." Bobby said, "I can. That watch says 30 minutes past 2, that one says 20 minutes to 11 but there's the one I like—that Mickey Mouse one that says 12 o'clock." "Alright, I guess you can tell time so come on or we'll miss the circus," so on they went. They watched the unloading and then they asked the man if they could work so the man set them to carrying water and running errands. Soon it was 15 minutes to 12. The man gave them free passes to the afternoon performance which started at 2 o'clock. They were a really happy bunch of boys when they reached home at 10 minutes past 12. At 20 minutes past one they were on their way again. They had a wonderful time watching the elephants, seals, tigers and lions performing. The last performance ended at 30 minutes past 3. The boys then bought peanuts and fed the animals. By 15 minutes past 4 they were beginning to get tired so they started for home. When Jimmy reached home he found a note from his mother saying "she would be home on the 5 after

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In connection with their annual Father and Son Banquet, Cubs of the 2nd Dartmouth, N.S., Pack, staged a hobby show which attracted wide attention. Here is a section of the display.

INFORMATION ON THE

Religion and Life Award

Church of Jesus Christ—Latter Day Saints

- I. Aaronic Priesthood Activity and Religious Training (choose one).
1. Qualify for the individual Aaronic Priesthood certificate.
 2. Complete two senior seminary courses and produce evidence of above average attendance in Aaronic Priesthood.
 3. Show a minimum record of attendance at Sunday School, sacrament meetings, and priesthood meetings of sixty percent each during the past year.
- II. Reading (choose any two).
1. Read one of the Standard Works of the Church.
 2. Read an approved biography of a President of the Church.
 3. Read an approved history of the Church.
 4. Read the reading course book for the current year.
- III. Leadership (choose one).
1. Attend a basic Senior Leaders' Training Course.
 2. Serve as an officer or teacher of a class or priesthood quorum for six months.
 3. Serve as a chairman of a committee for a special group project or social event.
 4. Serve as a class president or executive officer of a class or club in Church or school or community for six months.
 5. Serve as captain of an athletic team during a season of competitive play.
 6. Serve as an executive officer or chairman of a committee of the Senior Scout unit for a total of at least six months.
- IV. Service (choose one).
1. Spend at least three hours' time on a project to improve the ward chapel or grounds.
 2. Spend at least four hours' time on a Church welfare project.
 3. Participate in a service project sponsored by the unit.
 4. Name three ways the unit can assist in curbing the use of alcohol and tobacco, and show evidence that the Scout has personally taken steps to carry out at least two of the methods suggested.
- V. Tradition (choose one).
1. Trek the Pioneer Trail.
 2. Locate and write a brief ac-

count of a landmark or trail of significance in Church history in the community.

3. Possess a personal genealogical record of ancestors which includes at least twenty-five names.
 4. Know the history of your own ward.
- VI. Public Performance (choose two).
1. Render a solo (vocal or instrumental) in a Church meeting or programme.
 2. Be a member of a regularly organized chorus or choir for six months.
 3. Take a prominent part in a dramatic production.
 4. Give a ten-minute talk on a gospel subject in a Church meeting. (If I-1 has been met, this requirement will automatically have been completed).
 5. Participate in a debate or discussion before a group of people.
 6. Tell a story in a Church meeting or class.
 7. Explain and demonstrate a hobby before a group of people.

Requirements for Jewish Boy Scouts

1. Attend and participate in Sabbath (Friday evening or Saturday morning) and Holy Day Services at your Synagogue for at least three months of the year.
2. Be a regular pupil at a Hebrew School or of a Temple Sabbath or Sunday Religious School. (Scouts who have no opportunity to attend formal classes may substitute an equivalent course of private study under the supervision of a teacher or Rabbi).
3. Recite in English or Hebrew the Ten Commandments, and explain their meaning.
4. Describe the work of at least one Jewish charitable organization to which the Scout has made a Financial Contribution.
5. Name six Jewish holidays observed during the year and describe briefly how each is celebrated in the home and Synagogue.
6. Make or draw at least three ceremonial objects used in the observance of the Sabbath and holidays. Be able to explain the meaning and use of each object in the home and Synagogue.
7. Describe the different prayer books of the Synagogue and tell when each is used. Show that you can follow one

complete Service in the prayerbook. Give the important ideas contained in the Kiddush, the Shema Yisroel, En Keloheinu and two other prayers.

8. Describe the divisions of the TANACH and name at least four books in each section. Explain the meaning of SIDRAH and HAFTORAH.
9. Give evidence of having read at least one book dealing with a Jewish subject, and write a composition telling what you have learned from it.
10. Tell what Judaism teaches with regard to man's duties to God, to his family, to his fellow-men, and to his country. Give a Quotation from Biblical or Rabbinic literature illustrating each of these teachings.

To qualify for the Religion and Life Award, the Scout must complete Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 9, and 10, and may choose either one of 5 and 6 and either one of 7 and 8.

The Scout's Rabbi or the Jewish Chaplain of the Group will administer the test, and will make the presentation of the Award. All other requirements as laid down in general qualifications for this Award.

The Purpose of Canadian Scouters Training Centre

COURSES operated at C.S.T.C. differ in many ways from the usual Part II Course.

The purpose of C.S.T.C. Training is to pass along to Scouters, who either are or will be members of provincial training teams, methods of instructions which will set a standard of training common to all provinces and to ensure that these standards will be sufficiently high. Every member of the professional staff is expected to take this training.

Volunteer Scouters are also accepted who have been specially selected by their provincial commissioners as being potential members of training teams.

Trainees must have already qualified for a Part II certificate in the section for which they are registered.

C.S.T.C. provides a Refresher Course plus training in instructional methods.

As it is a National effort, it means that accommodation is somewhat limited as far as individual provinces are concerned.

Multiple Units

Where it is found necessary to break a large unit into two sections, the same number should be retained. Thus the 36th Home Town Pack, when made into two Packs should become the 36th Home Town A and B Packs.

SCOUT LEADER'S BOOKSHELF

The Camp Fire Leader's Book

Two experts, Rex Hazlewood, Editor of *The Scouter* and John Thurman, Camp Chief at Gilwell Park, have collaborated in the production of a book which should not be long in finding space on the bookshelves of hundreds of Canadian Scouters. The *Camp Fire Leader's Book*, is exactly what its title implies.

In the foreword the authors have this to say: "May we, as the authors of this book, humbly direct your attention to its title? It is the *Camp Fire Leader's Book*, a book, that is, giving advice on how to lead a Camp Fire. It is *not* a collection of yells and stunts and sketches. We could compile such a book, but we never shall, for we believe that the only possible satisfactory Camp Fire Book of such a nature is one that each Camp Fire Leader compiles for himself. Here we only quote songs or yells and the like to illustrate a theme."

There are few phases of the Scout programme more appealing to the boy than the camp fire, and almost any Scouter who has taken his Troop to camp will agree that long after camp is over the Scouts still talk about the stunts, the yells, the stories and the fun of the campfire. When it holds so much appeal, it is essential that Scouters have the "know how" if camp fires are to become memorable occasions in the lives of Scouts.

It is possible, we suppose, that some Scouters are born with the happy and useful faculty of conducting successful camp fires, but most of us have to learn the hard way. For this latter group, and we are in the majority, this book will become an inseparable companion.

Messrs. Hazlewood and Thurman have set about their task in masterly fashion, and in 18 chapters have covered pretty well everything that the Scouter Camp Fire Leader has to know about camp fires.

The chapters cover these subjects: Aim and Purpose of Camp Fires, The Fire, Ceremonial and Good Order, The Programme, Some Problems in Leadership, Songs and Singing, All Kinds of Yarns, Spinning the Yarn, Parodies, Stunts and Sketches, Yells, Games, Individual Items, Scout Training at the Camp Fire, Indoor Camp Fires,

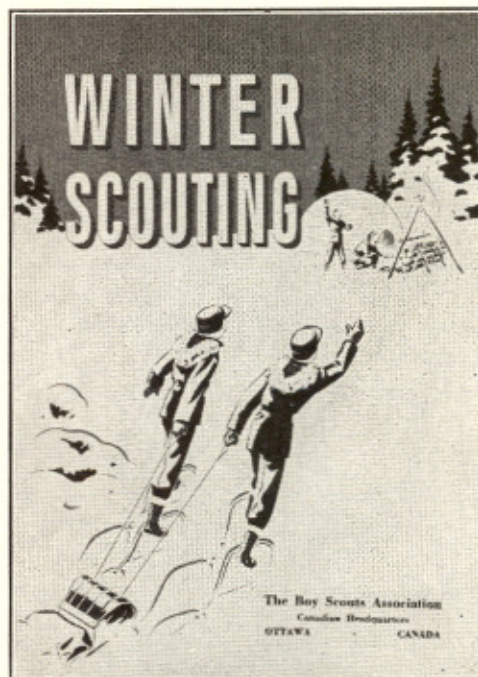
Cub Camp Fires, Your Note-book, Also to Remember.

To make the book even more complete the authors have added a selected bibliography, and a piece on wood values as appendices.

Scouters who are looking for appropriate verses or quotations for Camp Fire opening or closing, who want to know how to draft a programme, tell a yarn, build a fire, lead a yell or play a game, will find *The Camp Fire Leader's Book* an invaluable aid. The Training Department at Canadian Headquarters unhesitatingly recommends the book, and all of us who have seen it are happy to second the motion.

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MORE ABOUT THE AMERICAN JAMBOREE

HERE is additional information regarding the Boy Scouts of America Jamboree at Valley Forge, Pa., in June and July.

Each Scout and Scouter attending will be furnished two official Jamboree neckerchiefs and two Jamboree emblems free of charge. Additional neckerchiefs and emblems will be on sale in the Jamboree Trading Post.

Commissary

Each unit will be completely responsible for all its food preparation and serving, preferably on a Patrol basis, in strict accordance with the Jamboree menu. This menu will provide a completely adequate and well balanced diet, and supplementing from outside sources will not be necessary.

Each section will have a Ration Supply Depot where all food supplies will be issued to units. It is planned

to have all food packaged in standard size units to facilitate handling and breakdown within the unit to Patrols.

Because of the cost, refrigeration will not be furnished to individual unit areas. All perishables will be kept under refrigeration at Section Commissaries, and will be issued in one meal quantities three times a day. It is expected that all perishables will be completely consumed each meal. All other supplies will be issued once daily.

Trading Posts

Jamboree Trading Posts will be located at various sites on the Jamboree grounds to give convenient service.

Each Trading Post will have departments carrying uniforms and equipment, souvenirs and snack bars with candy, sandwiches, soft drinks and ice cream.

The Trading Posts will also have

provisions for handling mail, for telephone service, laundry and dry cleaning, telegraph service and photo finishing service.

Adjacent to each of the Trading Posts will be an enclosed area with tables for letter writing and informal games, a craft workshop, and a meeting place for Scouts. The Trading Posts will be the only official sales outlets on the grounds.

Jamboree Leader

THE Executive Committee of the Canadian General Council has appointed Major R. B. Oglesby of Ottawa, leader of the 1950 Contingent to the Boy Scouts of America Jamboree at Valley Forge, Pa. Major Oglesby, who is Scoutmaster of the 38th Ottawa Troop, will be remembered as Director of Transportation at the First Canadian Jamboree who did a big job with remarkable efficiency. A Cub and Scout in Brandon, Manitoba, Major Oglesby is a graduate in arts of Brandon College and Toronto University, and has long been active in the Movement. He is attached to the Historical Section at Canadian Defence Headquarters. Major Oglesby's staff will be named later.



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Stuart Nelson, Vernon, B.C.

Story Telling

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5 bus." Jimmy was to light the fire and put the kettle on. This he did and then he laid down on the chesterfield. At 10 past 5 when mother arrived home she found Jimmy fast asleep, maybe dreaming he was in the jungle catching lions and tigers. At 20 minutes to 6 Jimmie's mother called him to supper. A very sleepy Jimmy came to the table rubbing his eyes and said "I'll just have cereal for breakfast Mom." His Mother said "Jimmy, what time do you think it is?" Jimmy answered "8 o'clock" breakfast time. His mother laughed "Why, Jimmy, it's 15 minutes to 6 supper time. By 20 minutes to 7 Jimmy was wide awake and when 8 o'clock came around Jimmy didn't want to go to bed, so Mother let him stay up until 5 after 9 then up to bed he went. By 25 minutes to 10 Jimmy was back to sleep dreaming he was having a breakfast of peanuts with the elephants.

LOG OF THE FIRST CLASS HIKE

By *Watkin K. Williams in The Scouter*

It sometimes happens that candidates for the First Class hike test fail at the first or second attempt, largely because they (a) don't really know what is expected of them, and (b) are imbued with the strange idea that, while every other section of the badge needs constant practice before testing, the hike test can be taken on the very first hike that a Scout has ever made—and possibly also the last hike that he has any reason to expect to make! Now this is obviously a most absurd idea to hold about the final and most important of all the First Class tests, and I hope that any Scouts (or Scouters) who still hold it will very soon become better informed.

Examiners are usually very glad to help a boy by pointing out his mistakes and encouraging him to try and do better; but I honestly don't think it is fair (a) to the boy, to lead him to expect to pass on the very first attempt that he has made at hiking and reporting, or (b) to the examiner, to expect him to spend many hours in reading and commenting upon all the "trial trips" that are made, however willing he may be to give all the help he can.

In other words, Scouters should give their Scouts plenty of opportunity of practicing hiking and report-writing and map-making before actually sending them in for the test. This does NOT necessarily mean giving them several hikes under the full conditions of the test; but when one Scout in the Troop is ready to take the test, that provides a golden opportunity for sending out another Scout (who still needs further practice) to make a "trial trip" as his companion, the log book of the practice candidate being shown up to, and comments being made upon it, by the S.M. instead of the D.C. or other examiner.

But the beginnings should be on a smaller scale than this: start small is a very good motto in many forms of Scout training, and a miniature hike is a splendid way of beginning to train for this test. For instance, a four-hour hike on a Saturday afternoon (possibly with an oral report on the first occasion instead of a written one) is very good practice, and it can be done on lots of occasions when a 24-hour hike is impossible to arrange. Another advantage of the miniature hike is that it can easily be done in the winter, and the custom of doing this will begin to

break down the idea, held by many Scouts, that the full-scale hike is an activity limited to the summer months—though the conditions of the hike test clearly imply that the Scout should sleep in a tent, there is nothing in the wording of the conditions to forbid him to sleep in a barn if he happens to take the trip on New Year's Day!

Another way of making a beginning is to have Patrol hikes, with one report (oral or written) made afterwards by each Patrol. Three obvious advantages of the Patrol hike are (a) that even the Tenderfoot can begin to learn the technique of hike reporting and map-making under the leadership of his P.L., (b) that the conditions can introduce some emphasis on "knight errantry" and the doing of good turns, and (c) that Patrol hikes are not only good training for the individual Scout and the Patrol as a unit, but also bring the Scouts before the public eye.

In conclusion, here are a few facts and suggestions to be borne in mind about the hike and the hike-report:—

1. Suitable food should be taken for at least two cooked meals (and by that I don't mean "hotting-up of tins"),

including some meat, and preferably dampers or twists.

2. The report should include a detailed menu of all meals, stating clearly which items were cooked, and commenting frankly on what they were like.

3. The tidiness of the camp-site (especially clearing-up afterwards) is a most important part of the test, and will be examined either by the D.C. or by someone on the spot whose certificate of good camping the Scout may possibly be required to obtain in his log-book.

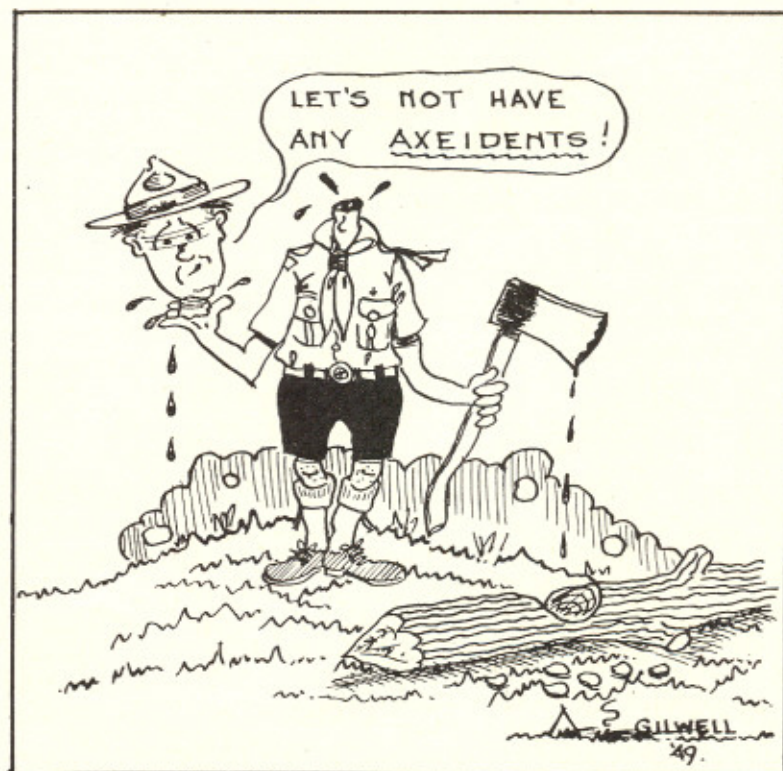
4. The test also includes map-making, and a clear map of the whole journey must be included in the report. This need not be a work of art, but must be neat and clear and to scale and drawn according to the accepted conventions of map-making.

5. Every map or plan MUST include (a) a North point and (b) a scale.

6. Rough notes of the report should be written on the journey, and these should be sent in with the final report to the examiner within a week after the hike takes place.

7. The instructions given by the examiner for any particular hike will probably include other First Class subjects (e.g. estimation or tracking or the study of birds or trees).

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Stuart Nelson, Vernon, B.C.

First Class Hike

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8. The first object of the report is that it should be clear enough to enable a reader who has not seen the original instructions to follow in the footsteps of the writer; it should also be attractive in style, and an excess of compass-directions on almost every line only leads to confusion.

9. The first page of the report should state (a) to whom it is written, (b) by whom it is written, (c) that it is a report on a First Class journey from this place to that, (d) the date, (e) a map reference, and (f) a polite comment on the weather.

10. All proper names of PERSONS and PLACES (and the word "NOT") should be written in BLOCK CAPITALS.

11. One side of the page should be divided into three columns, (a) a narrow column on the left, for time (24-hour system best), (b) a wide column in the centre, for the actual report (which should include some account of what happened at the camp site as well as on the journey), and (c) a narrow column on the right for the TOTAL distance travelled up to date. The opposite page should be kept for sketches (the more, the merrier), little maps to show difficult turnings, plan of camp site (perhaps), and summaries of other special information.

12. Summaries of any special investigations should always be given, even if the details are referred to at various stages on the journey.

13. It is a pleasant custom for the report to be signed by the Scout's Patrol Signature (as shown in Camp Fire Yarn No. 4 in *Scouting for Boys*).

14. The hike is an adventure, and the fact that a report of it must be made in "correct" form should not be allowed to obscure the spirit of the adventure; on the contrary, the best reports reflect this spirit.

Attention Scouters

Have you a copy of the new *P.R. Handbook*? This production of the Public Relations Department is available to every Scouter without charge. As a guide to relationships with the public, the sponsoring body, newspapers and radio stations it will prove invaluable. If you have not received a copy ask your District Commissioner to obtain one for you from your Provincial Headquarters.



Yes sir, men make the best cooks! At least that's what these members of the 80th Toronto Troop believe—and looking over their prize-winning samples who'll say they're wrong? They won prizes at the County Fair and Hobby Show.

Standardizing The Uniform

WHEN any large group of Scouts from a number of Troops congregate at a rally or parade, the desirability of a standard uniform becomes very evident. Frequently Scouting is criticized for its general untidiness in public, and a great variety of uniforms does contribute to this untidiness.

An effort is being made to adopt a standard uniform in Canada, comprising the green shirt, blue shorts, blue stockings with solid green tops, and of course the other standard parts of the uniform. Where whole districts have adopted this uniform, the smartness of the Scouts in public has been cause for complimentary comment.

In several other Scouting countries a standard uniform has been adopted with good results. Apart altogether from the smartness angle such a step would enable the Stores Department to purchase in larger quantities at better prices with resulting benefits to the rank and file of the Movement.

There are one or two factors about this standardization however which Leaders should understand. It is not

felt that Troops should be compelled to give up their own coloured uniforms if these have produced a traditional loyalty and pride among their members. It is, however, hoped that the standard uniform will be adopted wherever possible.

It is realized that boys would be put to unnecessary cost to make a complete change over, but this may be accomplished in two ways. A special campaign, waste paper collection or other money raising effort could be staged and the new uniforms purchased from the proceeds, or the Scoutmaster might suggest that as his boys purchase new shirts or socks that they fall into line with the suggested colour scheme.

The green shirt has the additional merit in that it goes well with the winter uniform.

Where the standard uniform is adopted as District Policy it would of course become obligatory to fall into line. Where no district policy has been established, it is suggested that Troops gradually change over, and thus make their contribution to a more smartly uniformed Scout Movement.



BRIEF BITS
About Scouting

Presented with Beads

AT A brief ceremony at the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Canadian General Council in Toronto on January 27th, Mr. Jackson Dodds, C.B.E., Dominion Commissioner presented Major-General D. C. Spry, C.B.E., D.S.O., Chief Executive Commissioner, with his Gilwell Neckerchief and Beads. General Spry took both his Akela and Wood Badge courses at Gilwell Park in England last summer, and also completed his Part I courses at Headquarters.

Medal Ribbons

CANADIAN Headquarters is experiencing considerable difficulty in obtaining a steady supply of embroidered medal ribbons. Frequently requests for additional ribbons for second uniforms cannot be filled. It is therefore suggested that these ribbons be mounted on bars which can be moved from one uniform to another with a minimum of inconvenience, in much the same way as military ribbons are mounted. This will help to conserve the present supply until such time as they become more readily available.

"Q" Up

WHILE rambling through London, on their first visit to that great metropolis, two Canadian Rovers on their way to the World Rover Moot, being hungry, decided to eat at Lyon's famous Strand Corner House. Here is the story in their own words: "Feeling very smart in our new Scout uniforms, we joined the line-up. There were quite a lot of women in the line and we were embarrassed at the way they stared at us. "Good heavens," said Tom, "you'd think they'd never seen a Canadian Rover before." However, we felt rather flattered at all this attention, and tried our best to uphold the honour of Canada by a smart Scouty bearing, until a kindly old English gentleman walked over and whispered, "I say, boys, you're in the wrong line. This one is for the ladies' washroom!"



Newfoundland's first Provincial Commissioner, E. B. Foran. Prior to the Newfoundland Scouts joining the Canadian Association, Mr. Foran was Chief Commissioner on the Island. He led the Newfoundland Contingent to the Canadian Jamboree last summer.

Junior Leader Distribution

WE frequently hear complaints that *The Junior Leader* is not getting into the hands of Patrol Leaders. Every month 8,500 copies of *The Junior Leader* are sent out to Scoutmasters for distribution to the Patrol Leaders and Troop Leaders of their units, and yet at a recent Bronze Arrowhead Course, only half a dozen boys of some forty Patrol Leaders taking the course, reported that they received *The Junior Leader* regularly. It is a matter of honour with all Scoutmasters that they place this periodical into the hands of their Patrol Leaders as soon after delivery as possible. It is one means of helping to develop the type of Patrol Leader who can be most helpful to a Scoutmaster in the operation of his Troop.

Water Safety and First Aid

THROUGH the good offices of The Canadian Red Cross Society, Water Safety Division, and the St. John Ambulance Association, instructors in Water Safety and First Aid are available to the Scout Movement without charge when ten or more Scouters

or Rovers can be grouped together to make a course. Both Water Safety and Ambulance Work, are of vital importance in Scouting and the training in these subjects given by these two organizations, is of the highest order.

Orienteering Film Available Here

ENCLOSED with this issue of *The Scout Leader* is a special folder telling about a new film on "The Sport of Orienteering" which has become a most popular form of wide game. This film is available on a free rental basis from the National Film Society, 172 Wellington St., Ottawa, but the Society must be given a confirmation that an audience of at least 25 will see it. The society will not send out the film without this guarantee. DO NOT order from Scout Headquarters. Order as directed above.

Prayers at Meetings

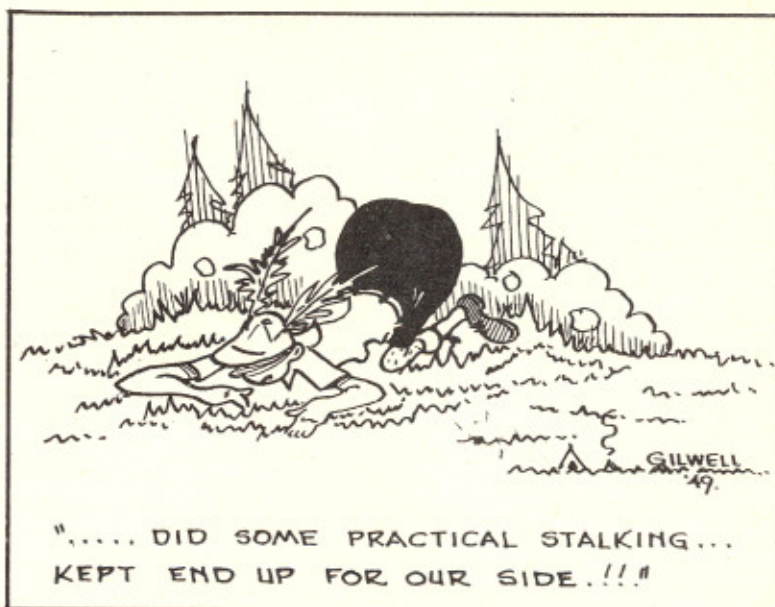
THE Scouter should plan his choice of prayers as carefully as he plans his programme of activities" Scouters are reminded in the preface to *Prayers for the Brotherhood of Scouts*.

Lt. Col. J. E. H. Tidswell, who is Assistant Provincial Commissioner in Alberta, and an active Calgary Scoutmaster, is one who follows a careful plan.

"The tone of the weekly Troop meeting," Col. Tidswell writes, "should be set by the regular use of short suitable prayers after flagbreak and before flag-lowering. Such prayers may be found in *Prayers for the Brotherhood of Scouts*. I have found it convenient to select a "Law of the Month" for each month from September to June. I announce it, prior to flag-lowering at each meeting during the month, read a prayer appropriate to the law and the Lord's Prayer is then said in unison.

"If the date of a meeting falls upon or close to any particular anniversary

or feast, the Law of the Month is often announced and its appropriate prayer is read at Flag Break, and a prayer



".... DID SOME PRACTICAL STALKING... KEPT END UP FOR OUR SIDE.!!!"

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APPENDIX A

ANNUAL SCHEME FOR USE OF THE SCOUT LAW

MONTH	LAW	REASON	PRAYER
Sept.	9	Saving for next summer's activities.....	103
Oct.	4	Going-up Ceremony and Investiture.....	95
Nov.	2	Remembrance Day.....	93
Dec.	3	Christmas.....	94
Jan.	1	A New Year's Resolution.....	91
Feb.	7	Remembrance of the Founder.....	100
March	5	Interchange in order that 10 will be used in the month	96
April	10	in which Easter falls.....	
May	6	Be Kind to Animals Week.....	99
June	8	A cheerful heart for the Summer.....	199

SOME PRAYERS APPROPRIATE FOR SPECIAL OCCASIONS

DATE	OCCASION	PRAYER
Sept.	1st meeting of the season.....	21 (a)
	St. Michael and All Angels.....	182
Oct.	St. Francis of Assisi.....	98
	Battle of Trafalgar.....	172
Nov.	All Saints' Day.....	252
	Remembrance Day.....	275
	St. Andrew.....	249
Dec.	The King's Birthday.....	(b)
	Last meeting before Christmas.....	270
Jan.	1st meeting of the New Year.....	21 (a)
Feb.	Troop Birthday (Organized 1 Feb. 1913).....	276
	Founders' Day.....	81
March	St. David.....	251
	St. Patrick.....	250
April	St. George.....	247
May	Empire Day.....	274
June	Last meeting of the season.....	296

(a) Read "In the dawn of this new year of Scouting"
 (b) The State Prayer

appropriate to the festival is reserved for flag-lowering. One's judgment will guide one as to which order may be the more significant. The stirring activities of those whose anniversaries and feasts are thus commemorated will invariably provide a subject for the Scoutmaster's Five Minutes or for a camp fire yarn."

Col. Tidswell's Chart, which might well form the basis for similar charts for other Groups appears at left. The numbers of the prayers shown in the chart conform to the numbers in the 8th and 9th editions of *Prayers for the Brotherhood*.

Medical Examinations

IT should become standard policy throughout the Movement that all boys and leaders before attending camps, training courses involving camping, and jamborees, should have medical examinations. It is not only a safeguard for each individual but it protects others who might become involved by some boy or leader having a contagious disease or other infectious trouble.

Are you running a Cub Pack or a mob? Once a Cub Pack is permitted to grow beyond the recommended maximum number of 36 boys, it ceases to be a Pack and becomes just another mob of boys. Beyond this maximum no Cubmaster will find it possible to give his boys the personal attention and individual interest that is so necessary if successful Cubbing is to result. By sticking to the rules, it will pay big dividends in better Cubbing.

STAVES FOR GREEK SCOUTS

IN A country-wide campaign, closing on St. George's Day, April 23rd, Canadian Scouts will cut and trim 5,000 staves as a gift to the Boy Scouts of Greece. Due to the rocky nature of their country and to enemy depletion of their forests, it is virtually impossible for Greek Boy Scouts to provide these staves for themselves.

The campaign is being conducted by Provincial Councils and the manner of

collecting and shipping, is being arranged either by District Councils or Provincial Councils.

The staves will be assembled in Montreal prior to St. George's Day, and the Montreal District Council will prepare the staves for shipment to Greece on a Greek freighter. Scouters should obtain full particulars of the campaign from their own Provincial headquarters.

St. George's Day Observance

ELSEWHERE in this issue we have referred to the importance of observing St. George's Day. At all Pack, Troop and Crew meetings during the week of April 23rd, reference should be made to the Patron Saint of Scouting.

Coming as it does this year on a Sunday, an ideal opportunity is presented to stage a Scout or Cubs Own Service at which the story of St. George is told and particular stress made on the application of the virtues of St. George in the everyday life of Scouts and Cubs. Particular emphasis should be laid upon the chivalry of the Knights of Old, upon which the Scout Law is based. This whole subject is dealt with at some length by B.-P. in Campfire Yarn No. 20 of *Scouting for Boys*.

Scouters' Bookshelf

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The Camp Fire Leader's Book, by Rex Hazelwood and John Thurman, from Stores Department or your Provincial Headquarters, \$1.25 per copy.

400 Ideas for Patrol Leaders

A new book for Patrol Leaders is now available from the Stores Department. It is called "400 Ideas for Patrol Leaders", and it is all that the title suggests. An exceptionally fine feature about the book is that at the beginning of each section, there is reference to the appropriate yarn in *Scouting for Boys*, thus bringing the Patrol Leaders to the origin and inspiration of Scouting.

It has been said time and again, and cannot be repeated too often, that the

successful Troop is the one which is operated on the Patrol System. Frequently we hear of P.L.s who would be glad to run Patrol Meetings, hikes and so forth, but once they start, they find after a time that they run out of ideas. This book has the full 400 and they are all good, and every one has its basis in *Scouting for Boys*.

We recommend this book without any hesitation or reservation.

Price per copy 25c.

Is Yours a One Man Show

SCORES of Packs and Troops in Canada are run by Cubmasters and Scoutmasters without any proper assistance. No Scoutmaster or Cubmaster, however talented he may be, can give all the leadership necessary without adequate help. If you have no assistants in your unit, see to it that you obtain assistance as soon as you can. Not only will it make your work more effective but it will assure continuity of leadership in the event of illness or transfer on the part of the unit leader.

STORES DEPT. BULLETIN

The 1950-51 Stores Dept. Catalogue is now in production, and is expected to be ready for distribution some time in April.

We regret that no more copies of the 1949-50 Catalogue are available, and that several requests have had to remain unfilled. However these requests will receive priority when the new Catalogue is published.

DIARY IS OUT OF STOCK

The Boy Scout and Wolf Cub Perpetual Diary is now out of print—but as soon as the Publications Department can produce a new one, announcement will be made. This popular diary has sold 10,000 copies in little more than a year.

Despite delays in obtaining periodicals due to printing and other difficulties, The Stores Department now has a larger book stock than ever before in its history. Books out of stock (if being reprinted) will be back on the shelves just as soon as possible.

THE STORES DEPT.

The Boy Scouts Association
306 Metcalfe St. Ottawa



United Nations in miniature is the 218th Toronto Wolf Cub Pack which boasts Canadian, Italian, Chinese, Japanese, Greek and Hebrew boys in its membership. Some of the boys are seen with their Cubmaster, Mrs. Chester Cook.

HEADQUARTERS NOTICES . . .

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Linton Tooley, District Supervisor, Saskatoon, Sask.
 Clarence Wight, District Commissioner, Glenwood, Alta.
 Bill Williams, Cub Instructor, Saskatoon, Sask.
 Alfred Walter Wright, Assistant District Commissioner, Hamilton,
 Ont.

BAR TO MEDAL OF MERIT—7
For Additional Good Services to Scouting

T. M. Bennett, Scoutmaster, Vegreville, Alta.
 W. J. S. Dormer, District Scoutmaster, Montreal, Que.
 Bruce Grant, District Commissioner, Fort William, Ont.
 William Albert Jewkes, Assistant District Commissioner, Calgary,
 Alta.
 Charles S. Matkin, Assistant Provincial Commissioner, Magrath,
 Alta.
 Dr. J. J. Ower, Scoutmaster, Edmonton, Alta.
 Miss Hilda M. Sheffield, A.D.C. Cubs, West Kildonan, Man.

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT—9
For Good Services to Scouting

V. J. Diederichs, Scoutmaster, Edmonton, Alta.
 Fred A. Driscoll, Scoutmaster, Charlottetown, P.E.I.
 Mrs. Leda Hall, Secretary Treasurer, North Winnipeg Association,
 Winnipeg, Man.
 Enos L. Leitch, Assistant District Commissioner, Edmonton, Alta.
 W. L. Nesbitt, Badge Committee, Montreal, Que.
 John Paterson, President Scout Swim Club, Winnipeg, Man.
 W. W. Shepherd, Honorary Auditor, Winnipeg, Man.
 Harry Stevens, Rover Leader and District Secretary, Medicine Hat,
 Alta.
 The Rev. J. H. H. Watts, Lecturer and Quartermaster, Regina,
 Sask.

WARRANTS ISSUED

His Excellency, Viscount Alexander of Tunis, K.G., Chief Scout for Canada, has been pleased to approve of the following Warrants as Scouters.

British Columbia—Sidney Haslam, Vancouver; Delmar Craig Sherritt, Murrayville; Frederick William Pennington, Vancouver; Mrs. Rae Reed, Vancouver.

Alberta—Miss Rose Bombardieri, Calgary; Mr. Charles R. Whitaker, Edmonton; Mrs. Julia A. Murphy, Calgary; Mrs. Caroline Milburn, Calgary.

Saskatchewan—John Charles Hill, Porcupine Plain; Norman Jackson, Saskatoon.

Manitoba—James Keith Dryborough, Norwood.

Ontario—James Henry Praskey, Marathon; William Bogle, Scarborough Junction; Florence Matilda Weber, Nashville; Patrick Dawson Niederman, London; Cecil E. Sadler, Elmira; William George Childerhose, North Bay; Raymond Lionel Redwood, Cochrane; Melville Roblynn Flynn, Gravenhurst; Norman George Scovell, Toronto; George Kinghorn, Cochrane; Leon Cuthbert, Cochrane; Warren James Morris, Toronto; Frederick R. Wetmore, Leamington; Allan Ross Derbyshire, Leamington; Frederick Thomas Stacey, Toronto; John Winrow, Chippawa; Gordon R. Brown, Chippawa; Doreen Ruth Michaelis, Toronto; Clifford Allan Bowman, Toronto; Viola G. Golding, Hagersville; Gwynneth G. L. Springford, St. Catharines; Margaret Anne Cocroft, St. Catharines; Florence Larene Smith, St. Catharines; Shirley Reid Smith, Toronto; Sybil Louise Mutton, Toronto; Sidney St. Clair Schofield, Toronto; Douglas L. Woods, Toronto; George Arthur Loader, Toronto; David Crombie, Toronto; Edward Wm. Burt, Toronto; Harold Edward Thompson, Toronto; Mary Alice Elizabeth Russell, Toronto.

1950-CANADA'S BIGGEST YEAR IN TRAINING-1950

This year it is expected that more Canadian Scouters will take Wood Badge Training than ever before. A distinguished visitor at many of the Courses will be John Thurman, Camp Chief at Gilwell Park, England. A Wood Badge trained Scouter is one who has felt the need for the best of training, to aid him in doing a better job for his boys. Plan now to take Wood Badge Training in 1950. Write your Provincial Headquarters for Particulars of Training Courses in your Province.

PLANNED WOOD BADGE COURSES

Canadian Scouters Training Course, Dunrobin, near Ottawa
 Cubmaster..... July 19-24—Scoutmaster..... July 10-18

CUBMASTER COURSES

British Columbia, Camp Barnard..... Aug. 12-19
 Prairie Provinces, Prince Albert, Sask..... July 31-
 Aug. 5
 Quebec, Tamaracouta..... Aug. 19-26
 Ontario, Blue Springs..... July 22-29—Sept. 2-9

SCOUTMASTER COURSES

Maritime Provinces..... July 18-28
 British Columbia, Osprey Lake..... Aug. 19-27
 Prairie Provinces, Prince Albert, Sask..... Aug. 7-16
 Ontario, Blue Springs, July 29-Aug. 6—Sept. 9-17
 Quebec, Tamaracouta..... June 17-24
 Quebec, Noranda District..... July 22-29

Weekend Courses, Quebec, Quebec City, May 20—June 3; Richmond, August 12-26 or August 5-26.

GILWELL CAMP CHIEF'S VISITS

Mr. Thurman will visit the following Wood Badge Courses

C.S.T.C.....	July 17-23	Maritimes.....	July 24-26
Ontario.....	August 1-3	Prairies.....	August 9-11
British Columbia.....	August 15-17	Quebec.....	August 21-23



THE DUFFEL BAG



Leaders Entertained

THE Ladies' Auxiliary of the 4th, 14th and 20th Scout Groups, in Kitchener, Ont., expressed their appreciation of the efforts of their leaders recently, when they entertained them at a dinner and theatre party. The dining room was attractively decorated in Scout colours, and there were favours and prizes for all the leaders.

Maybe That's the Answer

FROM R. M. Harrison's Column, "Now", in the Windsor, Ont., *Daily Star*:—"Cheers today for five wide-awake Sandwich East lads credited with saving the life of a Detroitier whose plane, lost in a blinding snow-storm, crash-landed in a lonely Riverside field. Harold Turner, 14, Donto Edwards, 12, William Bryce, 15, Norman Belmore, 16, and Donald Moore, 15, skating on a pond, heard the aircraft in trouble, spotted the location of the crash, rushed to the rescue, made the injured airman comfortable on cushions, built a fire with cotton waste and wood from the wreckage, notified the airport, called the police, brought ambulances screaming to the scene. All five are Boy Scouts. Maybe that's the answer."

"Peace Now Reigns"

Extract from a Scouter's Correspondence Course

"I AM enjoying the work very much, but sometimes it is a wonder I am not bald-headed instead of grey. We have 16 Scouts and 24 Cubs here. Scouting was very much needed in —. When I consented to lead, here, the Police, local and Provincial, were having a wild time, particularly in the lower end of the Village. I was very pleased and proud to be told yesterday by the local police that trouble has been completely wiped out, and peace now reigns. It has all been attributed to the Scout Movement here. We were just recently presented with a stone cottage by the Village trustees for a long leave, for \$1.00. On top of that they wired the building at a cost to the Village of near \$60.00. However, I could tell you tales by the hour. I get discouraged but after yesterday, I feel that I am doing a bit with the boys."

Photography Exhibition

SOMETHING unique in Scout shows was inaugurated in Montreal's western area in January when a Scout photography exhibition was staged. There were seven classes open for competition: outdoor, indoor, portraits, news shots, animals, still life, and architectural and industrial. There were groups in sections for Cubs, Scouts and Scouters. More than 150 entries were made. A special section was devoted to photographs taken at the Canadian Jamboree at Ottawa last summer. Scouters Arthur Holmes, Alex Bramson and Allan Stone had charge of the show.

Companions-in-Arms

"WE IN law enforcement look upon Cubmasters, Scoutmasters and Rover Leaders as companions-in-arms in the fight against crime", Chief Constable Mulligan of Vancouver told the annual meeting of the Greater Vancouver Association.

Service Stars

TORONTO'S *Scouters' Digest* discusses a problem which is common all over Canada. "How many Packs, Troops and Crews", *The Digest* asks, "see to it that their boys receive their yearly service stars regularly and on time. Each member of Scouting has the right to expect a service star for each year of membership in the Pack or Troop or Crew or as a leader. It is one form of recognition we should not allow to slip." This of course, involves as *The Digest* points out, the keeping of accurate personnel records. If you haven't done so lately, check your record and see that your boys receive the service stars due them.

Preparing for Camp

From a Correspondence Course Study

FIRST of all: During the winter I get the Scouts to study as much of the theory of Scouting as possible. Also during that time we have a number of Winter Hikes and this year we have had two overnight hikes at which the boys built bunks of birch and cedar. They also planned the menus. The boys are also making pack boards and accumulating bed rolls as well as a fair amount of cooking equipment. They are also learning how to cook appetizing meals. Thus far the results have been only fair but with each hike and camp we can see much improvement.

Last year we had about ten winter hikes and by the time Spring came the Scouts were quite adept at setting up a comfortable camp area.

At the present time our best method of raising funds is to sell paper to a nearby pulp and paper mill. This source of funds is quite useful. We also raise funds on Apple Day. Our Troop is fairly new and we have plenty of growing pains as yet.

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HEADQUARTERS NOTICES

DEPUTY CHIEF SCOUT

His Excellency the Viscount Alexander of Tunis, K.G., Chief Scout for Canada, has announced the appointment of Mr. Jackson Dodds, C.B.E., as Deputy Chief Scout for Canada. With this appointment Mr. Dodds relinquishes the title of Dominion Commissioner which in future will not be an official title in the Association. The office of Deputy Chief Scout thus replaces that of Dominion Commissioner, although the duties and responsibilities remain much the same.

B.-P. BIRTHDAY HONOURS LIST

His Excellency Field Marshal the Right Hon. Viscount Alexander of Tunis, K.G., Governor-General of Canada in his capacity as Chief Scout for Canada is pleased to announce the following Honours and Awards on the occasion of the anniversary of the birthday of Lord Baden-Powell of Gilwell, Founder, The Boy Scouts Movement, February 22nd, 1950.

SILVER WOLF—3

For Services of Exceptional Character

Rev. Canon H. J. Cody, Toronto, Ont.; G. Robley Mackay, Montreal, Que.; Hon. N. E. Tanner, Edmonton, Alta.

SILVER ACORN—4

For Distinguished Service

S. Allan Hopper, Moncton, N.B.; C. H. P. Killick, Winnipeg, Man.; David J. Stephenson, Vancouver, B.C.; Harold C. Taylor, Delhi, Ont.

SILVER CROSS—4

For Gallantry with Considerable Risk

Cub M. Wayne Bailey, 10, Island Falls Pack, Island Falls, Sask.—For his gallant attempt to rescue a girl from drowning in a creek near Island Falls.

Scout John Alex Coubrough, 12, 10th Brantford Troop, Brantford, Ont.—For his presence of mind and gallantry in bringing to safety a small boy and girl who had fallen through the ice of the Grand River.

Scout John Gilbert MacDonald, 15, Canning Troop, Canning, N.S.—For his quick action in rescuing a girl who had been pulled beyond her depth by an exceptionally heavy tide at Kingsport Beach.

Scout Walter Olney, 12, 1st Slave Lake Troop, Slave Lake, Alberta.—For his gallantry in rescuing another boy who was in danger of drowning when attempting to swim the Lesser Slave River.

GILT CROSS—2

Granted to those who do exceptionally well in case of emergency though without special risk to themselves

Scout Peter Grant, 12, St. Hilda's Troop, Montreal, Quebec.—For his quick thinking and promptness in assisting a girl who was in difficulties when swimming in Muskoka Lake.

Scout Donald Robertson, 17, Westcott Troop, Westcott, Alberta.—For his prompt assistance to a boy and girl who were in danger of drowning in Dog Pound Creek.

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT—3

For Gallantry

Cub Norman Dann, 11, 1st Port Dalhousie Pack, Port Dalhousie, Ont.—For his presence of mind and manner in which he went to the assistance of a small boy who had fallen into the Old Welland Canal.

Scout Roger Christianson, 13, 1st Warner Troop, Warner, Alberta.—For his assistance in the rescue of two girls from drowning in a coulee north of Warner, Alberta.

Scout Kenneth Oswald, 13, 1st Warner Troop, Warner, Alberta.—For his quick thinking in organizing a human chain to rescue two girls from drowning in a coulee north of Warner, Alberta.

MEDAL FOR MERITORIOUS CONDUCT—5

For Meritorious Acts

Scout John Clayton, 13, Airdrie Troop, Airdrie, Alberta.—For the Scout-like manner in which he assisted another boy in difficulty when swimming in Nose Creek.

Scout Wilfred Davies, 15, 3rd Toronto Troop, Toronto, Ont.—For his prompt and efficient assistance to a girl who was being carried into deeper water by the current of the Credit River.

Scout Edgar Jorgenson, 14, and Scout Frank Stoddart, 16, 18th Calgary, Troop, Calgary, Alberta.—For their quick thinking and promptness in rescuing two, of a party of four, whose boat had upset in a high wind on the Ghost River.

Cub Eddie Samuel Redshaw, 8, 1st Atikokan Pack, Atikokan, Ont.—For his presence of mind and initiative in pulling to safety a small girl who had fallen from a dock into the Atikokan River.

CERTIFICATE FOR MERITORIOUS CONDUCT—2

For Meritorious Acts

Scout Ronald Harpur, 16, 6th London Troop, London, Ont.—For the efficient and Scout-like manner in which he assisted a man who knocked himself out when diving into Perch Lake.

Scoutmaster R. Gordon Ross, 35, 1st Vermilion Troop, Vermilion, Alta.—For his efforts to locate the body of a boy who had drowned in the Vermilion River.

LETTER OF COMMENDATION—1

For Meritorious Acts

Cub Dale R. Russell, 10, Island Falls Pack, Island Falls, Sask.—For his Scout-like conduct and presence of mind in going for help when Cub Wayne Bailey was attempting to rescue his sister from drowning in a creek.

MEDAL OF MERIT—27

For Good Services to Scouting

William Botting, Chairman Organization and Extension Committee, Calgary, Alta.

William Bryce, Scoutmaster, Ville Lasalle, Quebec.

James M. Castle, District Commissioner, Medicine Hat, Alta.

Arnold Peter Ceretti, P.E.I. Provincial Council, Borden, P.E.I.

Howard P. Collins, Scoutmaster, Vancouver, B.C.

H. I. Etienne, Montreal District Council, Montreal, Que.

G. W. Foote, Cubmaster, Montreal, Que.

Margaret E. Foster, Cubmaster, Edmonton, Alta.

Donald F. Hammond, District Scoutmaster, Duncan, B.C.

Gordon Marshall Jackson, Hamilton District Council, Hamilton, Ont.

Herbert Roger LeVan, District Scoutmaster, Hamilton, Ont.

Fred M. Mann, Deputy Provincial Commissioner, Toronto, Ont.

W. S. Morrison, District Commissioner, Arvida, Que.

Lawrence Richard Nash, District Cubmaster, Vernon, B.C.

Herbert Clive Northcott, District Scoutmaster, Vernon, B.C.

John R. Preston, District Cubmaster, Montreal, Que.

Randle D. Purser, District Commissioner, Wallaceburg, Ont.

Violet Sams, Cubmaster, Gaspé, Que.

Peter B. Smith, Scoutmaster, Vancouver, B.C.

Charles H. Spreadbury, Assistant District Commissioner, Calgary, Alta.

Thomas P. Stark, Field Commissioner, Brandon, Man.

Hector J. Tapp, Scoutmaster, Vancouver, B.C.

Harold C. Taylor, Assistant District Commissioner, Edmonton, Alta.

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