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The Sign Post

GILWELL SCARVES

I hope that we shall see more and more Commissioners and District Staffs wearing the well known Gilwell Neckerchief instead of District Scarves. It is a great honour for those who have qualified to belong to the First Gilwell Park Group, and I consider it a good example to the other Scouters for all those who are entitled to do so; to wear the neckerchief when appropriate. After all, this neckerchief is worn by Scouters around the world and it is no small distinction to be permitted to wear it. It is also, as we must continually remind ourselves, an indication that we are all prepared to learn more and to serve more.

MASTER-AT-ARMS—
TRAINING

I hope that 1951 will see an increased number of Scouts earning the Master-at-Arms Badge. I have mentioned this before in this column, and I do hope that Scouters will continue to stress the importance of this badge. There are many instructors from other organizations and from the general public who are only too willing to give of their time and talents to the training of lads, providing we but ask them to do so. Let us have a record year in this really worth while badge.

KING'S SCOUT RECOGNITION

I have been honoured by being invited to attend several King's Scout ceremonies recently and I have derived much pleasure and satisfaction from seeing the grand lads who have earned this recognition. We must do more to encourage a higher proportion of our lads to become King's Scouts. Surely every Patrol Leader should be a King's Scout?

Another point to remember—don't just hand the lad the badge and parchment at some Troop meeting. Let us see more District King's Scout ceremonies with the King's representative—the Lieutenant-Governor—presenting the

badges and parchments. Let us invite other Scouts by the score, and parents and supporters by the hundreds. Let our membership and our friends see the sort of King's Scouts Canada grows!

CIVIL DEFENCE

More detailed instructions concerning the participation of the Boy Scouts Association in the Canadian Civil Defence Scheme will be published at an early date. The scheme will provide many opportunities for us to be of real public service to the nation and to our own communities. Therefore, I hope that all groups will busy themselves with preparatory training in first aid, rope work, traffic control, observation and deduction, life-saving, etc. Further details concerning the training programmes will be published from time to time but now is the time for groups to carry on preliminary training in these and related subjects. Let us be prepared to make a real contribution to Canada's civil defence.

UNIFORM

I have been very impressed with the improved standards of uniform and turn-out of the Groups at Rallies which I have attended during the last few months. In every case, this is the result of the high standards set as an example by the Commissioners and Scouters themselves. We, as adults who have the temerity to train other people's children, cannot expect the proper standards of dress and deportment by the boys unless we ourselves are prepared to set an example. Let us look unto ourselves and ensure that we are not at fault.

UNDER AGE CUBS

I have recently had the pleasure of meeting a five-year old Wolf Cub. Pleasant little fellow, and very bright—brighter than his Cubmaster!

D. C. Spry

Chief Executive Commissioner.

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EDITORIAL

Our New Year's Resolution

FROM coast to coast in our great nation, come reports of Scouters, their Committeemen and supporters who have adopted and are putting into operation Plan Achievement. May we suggest two great national resolutions to be made by all of us when weary old 1950 bows out? 'We resolve that in the year 1951 the boys of Canada will have better training in the fundamental aims of The Boy Scout Movement as a result of concentrated effort on our part to provide more and better trained leaders.' 'We further resolve that we will do our part to attract more trained leaders by an active devotion to the plan which calls for more efficiency in community service, adequate facilities for train-

ing and an informed public.' What an influence we can make on the future leaders of our nation if we stand by these resolutions! Here is a wonderful opportunity to follow the advice of our founder to "leave this world better than we found it". The sweeping success which followed Plan Opportunity amazed many people and the reason was that Canadian Scouters decided in their own minds that our boys deserved only their very best. The realization of Plan Achievement will be positive expression to our Canadian Public and the world that Canada's Scouts are being given the very best boy programme which is available anywhere. Let us put aside our unimportant differences and resolve on this New Year's day to carry Plan Achievement to its logical conclu-

sion and thus give our Scouts their just desserts.

It may seem early to start talking of the next Canadian National Jamboree, but as that will be the place where we will celebrate the victory of Plan Achievement, it is as well that we consider what will happen, now. In all likelihood the Jamboree will be conducted on a light-weight camping standard and Scouters should start now to train their lads in this form of camping. It is not too early to lay plans for making hike tents, pack boards and so forth. Probably each Troop attending the Jamboree will be expected to arrive self contained in all respects which means that each Scouter will want to have his Troop prepared to make some contribution to a composite Troop's equipment.

Chips from the Gilwell Log

Being
Extracts



From
Part I

Correspondence Course

"Akela should try, very very tactfully, to point out any slight physical defect that might be corrected, first, subtly to the boys and perhaps a word or two to the parents, but not in the presence of the boy. Little things might pass unnoticed in the home.

I saw an example of this with a Cub who never would join in active games. Akela coaxed, but he would not join in. Then Akela called his mother and asked if there was a physical defect. The mother said "no"—later on, the mother got after the boy and found that he was suffering from a soreness in his leg of which he was afraid to tell her. She took him to a doctor and it was found that he had a serious bone malady caused by a fall some years back. The boy is now in a cast and on the way to recovery".

This is just another example of the importance of Scouters knowing home conditions of their Cubs and Scouts.



INVESTITURE AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE, OTTAWA—NOVEMBER 14, 1950

Sitting on floor (left) Scout Peter Grant, Montreal; (right) Scout Walter Olney, Slave Lake, Alta. Seated, left to right: Mr. Walter H. Gibson, Tillsonburg, Ont.; Lt.-Col. Malcolm L. Douglas, Brockville, Ont.; Scout John Alex Coubrough, Brantford, Ont.; Mr. Jackson Dodds, Deputy Chief Scout; Cub M. Wayne Bailey, Island Falls, Sask.; Archbishop Philip Carrington, Quebec City, Quebec; Mr. G. King Sheils, Toronto, Ont. Standing, left to right: Mr. David J. Stephenson, Vancouver, B.C.; Mr. Cyril J. Dendy, Montreal, Que.; Scout Gordon Dwyer Smith, New Glasgow, N.S.; Scout Andrew Avison, Silverton, B.C.; Mr. C. P. Killick, Winnipeg, Man.; Mr. G. Robley Mackay, Montreal, Que.; Mr. Allan T. Corner, Montreal, Que.; Mr. R. Ken Jordan, Vancouver, B.C.; Scout Gilbert MacDonald, Canning, N.S.; Dr. Allan Hopper, Moncton, N.B.; Mr. Clarence G. Blake, Sherbrooke, Que.; Mr. Harold C. Tylor, Delhi, Ont.

Scouting Pays

Two Toronto Boy Scouts, Clifford Leybourne and Elgin Strong, have recently returned from a trip to Algonquin Park which they will long remember. The trip came about because Charles Rich, employee of the Ontario Department of Lands and Forests and ex-Royal Canadian Navy, is interested in working with underprivileged boys. So much so that this extra-curricular activity takes up most of his spare time.

Some time ago, Rich urged the boys in one of Toronto's crowded areas to become more interested in wholesome scouting. He offered a "special prize" to the two boys earning the largest number of Scout badges in six months. Leybourne and Strong won, the former qualifying for 11 of the merit markers—including one for first aid. Ten days ago, Leybourne and a group of other Scouts were in the Don Valley practising "Journeying," with other badges in view. They found a 10-year-old Toronto boy who had been struck by a train. With the training received in his first aid course, young Leybourne whipped tourniquets on the younger boy's legs and saved his life. The child lost both feet subsequently but according to doctors would have died had the Boy Scout not acted quickly and efficiently.

With two winners on his hands, Rich realized he had to "come through" with the special prize he had offered. He couldn't afford to finance it personally—since his Scout work takes all his extra money anyway. An appeal to Lands and Forests Minister Harold R. Scott solved the dilemma.

Mr. Scott's department has long stressed the necessity for conservation among the younger fry and here was a first class opportunity. The two Boy Scouts left, with Mr. Rich, for the ranger school at Dorset, stayed overnight and then went on to Algonquin Park. There, District Forester, George H. R. Phillips, one of Canada's best known bush pilots, took them on an airplane patrol flight. They also tried out the Park's vaunted fishing, saw deer, moose and other wildlife and spent many thrilling hours talking to the rangers.

Back in Toronto they are planning to tell their fellow Scouts about the trip—and, of course, as they learned from the rangers, the need for care in preventing forest fires.

—From The Argus



Naval Firemen demonstrate how to put out an oil fire as Sydney, N.S., Scouts watch. The Scouts were later given an opportunity to take part in practical drill with the firemen.

SCOUTS SET PACE FOR SEA CADETS

WHILE the Scouters of Sydney, N.S., were meeting to lay plans for their annual Apple Day campaign, the suggestion of a course on the Fireman's Badge was raised. Mike Field, Akela of the 19th Sydney, made arrangements with the Naval Base at Point Edward to supply equipment, instructors and transportation for the participating Scouts. Under the direction of the Fire Chief at the Naval Base, Sub-Lieut. Kerr, R.C.N., the naval fire team conducted the course in three sessions of approximately two hour duration. There was no writing required as the entire scheme was carried out on a practical basis with

actual oil fires being laid by the firemen and then, under careful direction, the Scouts proceeded to learn how to deal with the situation and probable complications. Classes in ladder positioning, hose coupling, taking fire extinguishers apart, ringing alarms and noting what happens at the operational end when the alarm is received, and artificial respiration were some of the points touched upon. Thirty-eight Scouts qualified for their Fireman's Badge and the Navy Department was so pleased that they have decided to hold a similar course for their own Sea Cadets.

"OPERATION WOODPILE"

WHEN William Bowman an employee of the East Malartic Mines in northern Quebec was injured during a cave-in at the mines, the Court of Honour of the 1st Malartic Troop decided to help. They knew that Mr. Bowman would be unable to tend to his many home duties with a broken leg, a broken thumb and a stretch of two and a half months in

the hospital so the whole Troop of 20 boys offered to split and pile eight cords of firewood. Working after school and Saturdays the lads finished the good turn in one and a half weeks and are now planning their next community good turn. Every one of the Scouts enjoyed their self appointed task and are anxious to offer their services again.

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DISTRICT QUOTA?

WINTER SCOUTING — A CHALLENGE

By P. J. Horan, Field Commissioner, Canadian Headquarters

"Want of adventure brought the boy in—lack of adventure took him out."

—B.P.'s Outlook (1917)

THAT statement is as true today as it was yesterday for, looking at the Boy Survey, we find that "boys are attracted to the movement by a love of *camping and adventure*" and that they "mostly enjoy *outdoor activities*."

Scouters, just check mentally, how many 14, 15 and 16 year old Scouts you have in your Troop? Does the number satisfy you? If not, your program may not be offering enough of a challenge to your older boys and possibly Winter Scouting could be the solution. Is your Troop one of the many that, like bears, go into hibernation during the winter months? Your hikes are put off until the Spring. You may camp during the summer but you miss the thrill of living in the open in winter along with the many new and interesting opportunities of doing practical Scouting under winter conditions.

Plan Achievement calls for 25% of the Troop (including all P.L.s) to be First Class Scouts and also that every Scout should do a minimum of 14 days camping and hiking per year. Let's hope that camps and hikes don't have to wait until Spring. Let's follow the spirit of the "Coureur de Bois" and other early pioneers and get out all year round.

Your Provincial Office carries an inexpensive (.25) little booklet called "Winter Scouting", which gives all the basic information for a day or an overnight hike. This covers such items as where to go, who's to go, how to get there, what to wear, cooking, first-aid, and so on.

This type of program is mainly for the older boy as a leader can't afford to take the chance of being caught out in mid-winter, with young untrained Scouts, when the temperature may drop or a blizzard may blow out of what was to be a fine day. This, however, doesn't mean that the younger fellows should be left out. By no means, as training for Winter Scouting takes time and the younger Scouts may benefit greatly through participation in day outings and ski hikes.

Scouting with the temperature flirting with zero calls for a lot of preparation and know-how. Take it easy at the beginning. Plan and carefully discuss such items as clothing, objective, food, (which should be simple and plentiful including a good supply of sweetstuffs

as raisins, dates, candy, cocoa), and so forth. Start with simple afternoon jaunts to local woods, parks, farms and such places that can be easily reached. If going into heavy underbrush, wear snowshoes but if on open areas, wear skis. On these outings stop to prepare a simple meal, which means collecting wood, clearing snow, storing skis or snowshoes, building a windbreak, making a fire and cooking the meal. Develop your short hikes into all-day hikes. If you find a good camping spot by all means stick to it until your boys have gained more experience and remember that experience makes you master of your surroundings. On the all-day hikes have two meals and take time to put up a shelter or build snow forts which leads on to the building of igloos. It's only a short step after these trips to an overnight hike with your older boys. The main idea is to get the knack of making a *snug and warm* camp for in winter camping you must see that the boys keep as *warm* and as *dry* as possible.

The program in Winter Scouting is as varied and even more challenging than that for Summer Scouting. More challenging in that fires have to be built to be kept going, that all meals have to be hot, plentiful and well cooked, that shelters have to be built to give shelter (for Old Man Winter is a hard task-master), and that all have to do their job for there is no place for "slacking" at a winter camp.

Test and badge work can easily be worked into the program of Winter Scouting. Such tests as cooking, axmanship and tree identification (through the bark and contours) are harder in winter but better for that reason. By building reflector fires, windbreaks, shelters (including igloos) your Scouts are doing pioneering work. How about having them take their cameras along to try to get some real winter scenes to make their own Christmas cards? Winter is the best time of the year to study animal tracks and it can be a lot of fun following up the fascinating "stories in snow" to try to figure out their meaning. How about the Starman's Badge, what with long, bright, clear skies and different constellations from those seen during the summer. Let's not forget the "Winter Sportsman's Badge". Both the skiing and snowshoeing events can be developed

into a fun-packed afternoon program. And get your boys thinking on the new "Winter Scouting Badge" with its high standards and appealing requirements, which offer a real challenge to any Scout. Why not have your older boys try for this badge before the end of winter? What about gathering staves, looking over birds nests in the bare branches, or looking for a new campsite. Use your imagination to develop a program to suit your surroundings.

Winter Scouting carefully planned "will teach the boys new ideas in self reliance and resourcefulness and give them a new pride in the husky worthwhileness of being a live Canadian boy in a live Canadian winter".



Sixer M. Wayne Bailey with his very proud Mother and Grandmother at the Investiture Ceremonies where Wayne received the Silver Cross.

Whitby Scouts Prepared

Two Scouts in Whitby came upon a lad who had severely gashed his foot while swimming and was bleeding profusely. The pair stopped the flow of blood with a tourniquet made of a vine and then constructed a stretcher from their coats and two saplings and carried the injured boy to a doctor. Here is more proof that First Aid training for Scouts should be thorough and the advantage of knowing exactly what to do in an emergency should be stressed throughout the training period.

Religion and Scouting

AT THE annual meeting of the St. Lawrence District Council in Ontario, Scouters and supporters heard a very interesting address by Rev. Fred Payne of St. John's Church, Prescott. Mr. Payne brought to the fore one of the great truths of the Scout Movement—the close association of Religion and Scouting.

Occasionally one hears the remark that Scouting does nothing for religion; that there is no opportunity for religious teaching in the Scouting programme. And too often that remark comes from religious leaders who have not fully studied Scouting, its laws and its Promise. The first section of the Scout Promise, Mr. Payne pointed out, requires the promise "On my honour I promise that I will do my duty to God" In his own creed and faith, the individual Scout worships, attends service, and learns to be a good churchman.

Scouting, said the speaker, does not attempt to make a boy a Scout for the rest of his days; rather the programme is designed to fit a boy into society with a better realization of citizenship, with tolerance toward his fellow man, and a better churchman of the faith in which he has been reared.

What finer accomplishment can be expected of any group?

Another First in Newfoundland

THE 1st Gander Troop in Newfoundland have reported a sweeping success in their first Apple Day campaign. Starting in the early hours of the morning the Scouts sold over four thousand apples to give proof that this form of raising Troop funds is still effective. From the report in the St. John's, Nfld., *Telegram*, we see that the Scouts finished their campaign with a vote of thanks to their public and supporters who helped to make the day such a success.

Collects "The Scout"

MR. Peard Sutherland of Vancouver has been collecting copies of the British paper, *The Scout*, for many years and has asked us to help him. Mr. Sutherland is anxious to obtain copies of this paper for the year 1911 or earlier and also copies for the year 1915. If you can help him complete his file, please write him at the following address: Mr. Peard Sutherland, B.C. Telephone Co., 768 Seymour St., Vancouver, B.C.

THE CANADIAN SCOUT BROTHERHOOD FUND

FROM Newfoundland to Vancouver Island donations to the Scout Brotherhood Fund continue to be received at Canadian Headquarters. At press time the total stands at \$1,503.74 and we feel sure that every Scout, Scouter, Committeeman and Supporter will want to add his contribution, no matter how small.

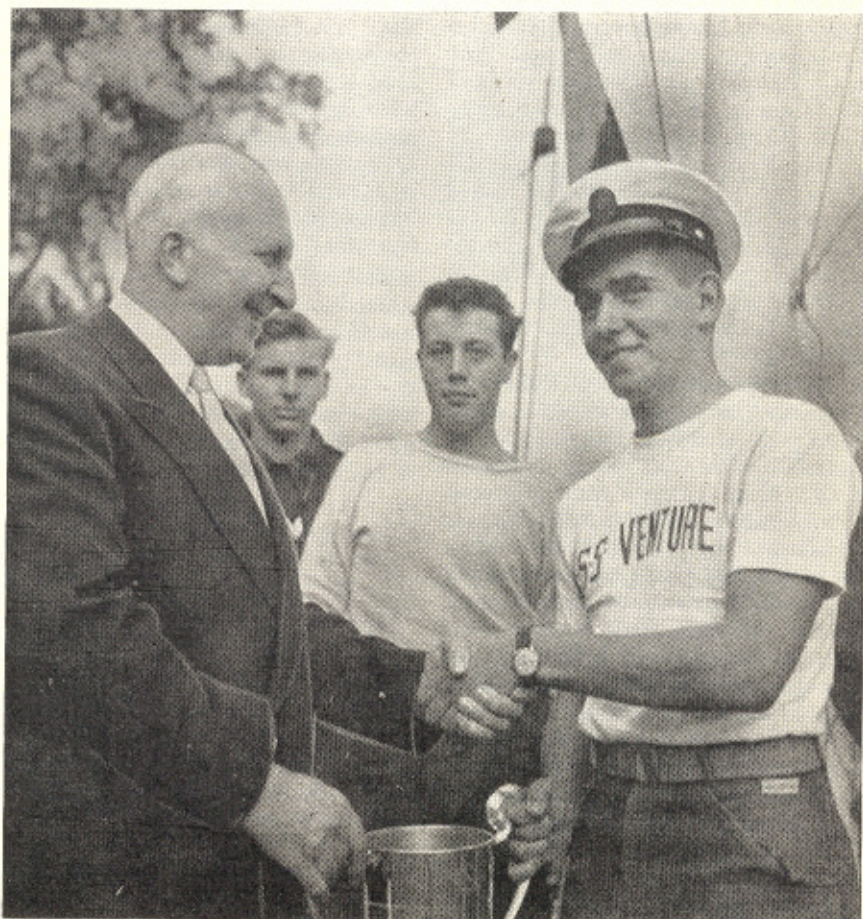
The Scout Brotherhood Fund Committee wish to acknowledge, with thanks, the following contributions:

District Scout Camp, Barrie, Ont.	\$ 5.00
43rd Windsor Scout Troop, Windsor, Ont.	40.00
Kingston Lone Scouts, Saint John, N.B. (Prov. Office)	7.00
St. Martin's Gander Troop, Gander, Newfoundland	10.00
Winnipeg Akela Club, Winnipeg, Man.	6.00

85th Toronto Troop, Toronto, Ont. 6.00

A cheque for \$160.00 has been forwarded to Manitoba Boy Scouts and another cheque for \$426.60 has been handed to La Federation des Scouts Catholiques for rehabilitation in Cabano. The Committee has also approved a donation of \$50.00 to Headquarters in London, England, to assist with the fund which is being created to deal with a recent disaster. A Whaler of the 1st Mortlake Group with four Scouters and six Senior Sea Scouts disappeared in the English Channel during a regular exercise and no trace has been found of the bodies. Many of the Scouters have left widows and children who must be cared for and it is the desire of the Brotherhood Fund Committee that our donations should be used for this purpose.

Russell Ball and his crew of the whaler "Scott" took the Canadian Progress Club trophy in the annual regatta held at the Montreal Sea Scout Base, S.S.S. Venture. Mr. C. L. Abbott, Chairman of the Sea Scout Committee presents the cup to the winner.



AN EXPERT BROADCASTER SPEAKS TO SCOUTERS

By T. J. Allard, General Manager of
The Canadian Association of
Broadcasters

Free Broadcast Time is one gift horse that should be looked very carefully in the mouth.

ANY Boy Scout official who goes to his local radio station and asks for free time is almost positive of getting it quickly and gladly. Then when you have it, you're more than likely to discover to your horror that you have no idea of what to do with it.

It would, in fact, be better not to use it at all than to put inferior or mediocre material in it. Such a practice will merely drive away listeners and perhaps leave a highly unfavourable impression in the minds of those who do follow your programme through, of the Scouting Movement in your area.

The planning of a broadcast programme is a highly complex and lengthy process. The 5-minute broadcast you hear so casually on the air and that seems to roll so smoothly has probably caused hours, even days, of troublesome rehearsals, preparation, writing, planning and timing.

Any broadcast that you put on the air on behalf of Scouting in your area should be carefully prepared to ensure maximum audience; to match the standard of other broadcasts on the station; and to create a highly favourable impression of the Scouting movement. These objectives cannot be achieved without long and careful planning, rehearsal, timing; and more than likely, professional assistance.

It is wise, therefore, not to ask for free time until you have at least 13 carefully prepared programmes which meet the prime objectives in every respect. When you have your programme arranged, it's time enough to ask for broadcasting periods. Additionally, you are in a position to give the station manager something he is likely to welcome.

Programming should be carefully planned by a committee. That committee should include at least one person who is familiar with, and skilled in the preparation of, broadcast programmes. It would be worth your while to try and get the programme director, or production manager, of one of your local broadcasting stations to serve on that committee. In some areas, an advertising agency man may be helpful in this connection. Certainly there should be some competent professional assistance available.

Not only will you require that assistance for correct writing and timing, but to judge whether any talent you may be using is worthwhile broadcast talent. The fact that Johnny Jones may hold a campfire meeting enthralled by his singing, or even the local Kiwanis Club, does not by any manner of means indicate that his talent is of broadcast calibre or will hold any substantial audience of listeners. The selection of any talent to be used should definitely be left in the hands of professional people.

It would be doubly unfortunate to use poor material in broadcasts concerned with Scouting, since the Scout movement offers more opportunities for interesting and dramatic broadcasts than any other organization existing today in the welfare field. A little imagination, especially on the part of a trained broadcaster, can produce some highly interesting programmes that will hold an audience and at the same time have a distinctive Scouting flavour.

For instance, imagine the possibilities of recording on tape, interviews with Scouts, Scouters and parents at a railway or bus station when the boys are leaving for summer camp; the tape to be carefully edited for later broadcast. The same procedure can be used for special broadcasts arranged from the summer camp itself. The investiture ceremony, particularly of King's Scouts, offers magnificent opportunities for highly interesting broadcasts. A group investiture, whether involving members of one Troop or several, also offers interesting broadcast possibilities, particularly if appropriate background is provided. Endless possibilities of this type, suggest themselves. However, such special broadcasts have to be practically feasible as well as interesting, and for this additional reason, it is advisable that you never plan a broadcast without competent professional assistance, advice and supervision.

The best procedure, therefore, is this. Organize in your community a committee to handle all Scouting broadcasts planned. That committee should include at least one experienced professional broadcaster who should have complete final say on writing, presentation, arrangement and the selection of any talent to be used. When that committee has definitely arranged, produced, carefully rehearsed and approved-for-policy of a minimum of 13 broadcasts then

and only then are you in a position to approach the local station manager and ask for the use of his time.

The committee should have at its disposal at least 2 copies of the public relations handbook produced by the Public Relations Service of the Boy Scouts Association, Canadian Headquarters. The chapter on "Broadcasting Scouting" has been prepared by a professional public relations man in careful consultation with Canadian and United States broadcasters, and is an indispensable guide to any Scouter contemplating the use of broadcast promotion.

Your committee might additionally consider keeping the local station or stations provided with worthwhile news items about Scouting generally. Scouter appointments, news of investitures, formation of new Troops, and similar activities, are legitimate and worthwhile news items. There should be prepared under the supervision of a responsible person, preferably one trained in the handling of news, clearly and accurately typed and double spaced, and sent to your local stations, marked for the attention of the news editor.

Such items will be welcomed if they are legitimate news. They will, however, create a highly unfavourable impression if you pour in a steady stream of items that are of purely personal interest or that for other reasons have no real news value to the thousands or hundreds of thousands of regular station listeners. It is better to turn in only 2 or 3 items a year, but have those of really legitimate news interest, than to keep providing a broadcast newsroom with material which will simply be thrown in the waste basket.

Establishment of personal contacts at various levels with your station managers, production directors or programme managers, and news editors, will prove of tremendous assistance to you. One or the other of these people should be invited to all your major functions, should know somebody in your group or district by his first name, and be kept generally posted of Scouting activities in the area.

The use of broadcast material will reap rich dividends if properly and carefully handled, but is likely to backfire disastrously if approached carelessly, casually or without skill. Be sure any broadcast promotion material you do use has been so carefully and thoroughly prepared that it will be a credit to the station, to you and to the Boy Scout movement.

"Jim" Allard is former Scout and an enthusiastic supporter of the Movement.

HURRY! HURRY! HURRY! — LAST CALL FOR

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Your Scouts, Cubs and Scouting friends will appreciate a Christmas Greeting from you on these new Canadian designed cards. The supply is limited—so order yours today.



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Strictly Financial

By Lt.-Col. G. E. Simmons, Executive Commissioner for Administration

THE operation of the Association is a co-operative effort requiring assistance from every member. If you are a member of a Group, you expect help in the way of Training Courses, Examiners, Campsite, equipment and so on from your District Council or Local Association.

In the same way Local Associations need help from the Provincial Council in connection with the provision of Field Commissioners to run Training Courses, Training Aids, Books, Pamphlets, etc.

Provincial Headquarters in turn looks to Canadian Headquarters to provide speakers, to help maintain public interest, the latest information in connection with training, magazines, books, pamphlets, films, uniforms, equipment, badges and the thousand and one things needed to maintain a family of 115,000.

Canadian Headquarters is constantly on the alert to determine how best to interpret the programme to give the greatest benefit to the boy—the real reason for the Movement.

The provision of all these services naturally costs money and as the Group looks to Local Association or District who look to Provincial Headquarters who look to Canadian Headquarters for help, so the reverse is the case when the funds are required.

Canadian Headquarters asks each Province to provide a portion of its annual budget; the Provinces ask their Local Associations and Districts who ask their Groups to help.

At whatever level you are working your contribution to the next Headquarters, is vital. Failure on the part of any link to live up to its obligation jeopardizes the whole structure.

If you are asked to pay a quota, pay it early and do your share in ensuring that every boy who so desires can benefit from Scout training.

As pointed out in the opening statement of this article—financing the Scout Movement is a co-operative effort—a demonstration of the Scout spirit.

"Jamboree" Notice

Effective January 1st, 1951, the subscription rate for the international magazine "Jamboree" will be \$1.50 per year. Order your copy now from The Publications Department, Canadian Headquarters, 306 Metcalfe St., Ottawa.



Ontario Salvation Army Scouters who met at this year's Conference. Left to right in the front row: Maj. A. Simester, Hamilton; F. C. Irwin, Prov. Executive Commissioner; Col. Rufus Spooner, 1st Director of S.A. Scouting in Canada; Capt. Joe Craig, National Director of S.A. Scouting; Sr. Capt. Les Pindred, Toronto Division S.A. Director.

Another Good Turn

IN THE General and Marine Hospital in Collingwood, Ont., there is a Cub, Don McKinnon, who is a member of the 179th Toronto Pack. He has been confined to bed since an accident in August and when the local Cubs heard of this they asked if they might visit their brother Cub. After each meeting a group of boys and their leaders have held a second meeting in the hospital and will continue doing so as long as Don McKinnon is in Collingwood. The boys have also made sure that their new found chum has plenty of fruit, books and toys to keep him occupied during the long hours of convalescence.

Working Toward Plan Achievement

THE Barclay Troop in Montreal has decided to accept the challenge of Plan Achievement. Beginning the new Scouting year with eight Scouts the Troop achieved a membership of thirty-two within two months. They have had a programme sparked with Industrial visits to several local firms, a Hallowe'en party, Troop hikes, weiner roasts, and many outdoor campfires. A Parent's Night is scheduled for early December and the lads have sold over three thousand Christmas cards to help defray their camp costs next summer.

Wolf Cubs—Santa's Helpers

LAST Christmas each Six of the Windsor, N.S., Cub Pack was given the age of a boy or girl who would possibly have a slim Christmas. The idea was that the Six would create a small basket of presents for this person and the maximum expenditure per boy was to be 25c and this was to be earned. Of course the idea was wonderful and the Cubs enjoyed every moment of the game—one Cub, full of energy, managed to round up \$3.50 but was politely told that the maximum was still 25c. The Cubs will repeat the endeavour this Christmas.

Thanks Fellows!

Extract from a letter to his former Scoutmaster by a Flight Cadet in the R.C.A.F.

"I can hardly thank the Troop enough for the Scout wallet you sent me. It means an awful lot to me, as I spent many of the happiest days of my life with the Troop and I should be the one to present you with a gift. It was with your help that I did find my life so happy. It is hard for me to say exactly what I mean, but you have given to the boys guidance to something, which, although they may not fully realize it now, will mean a great deal to them in later life."



A Scouter's Visit

A couple of month's ago I paid a routine visit to a Pack, the first time I had been able to visit this particular Pack.

Approaching the hall, I could hear the good natured shouts of boys having a good time, lots of shouting and cheering.

I entered the hall and saw 22 Cubs playing "Snatch the Hare" under the direction of a senior Sixer. I took off my coat and looked around for the Akela, none in sight, waited for a few minutes thinking he might have stepped outside, then approached the Sixer and asked him where his Akela was. "Akela had to go to see his wife in the hospital", said the Sixer. So I asked if I could speak to the boys. "Sure!" Pack circle. Zip and they were in a circle. I explained who I was and why I was there, inspected them and asked to see them play another game. The Sixer directed them in a "Rooster Fight", two Sixes against two as boys became excited and crowded in, Sixer asked them to step back to where they should be and they stepped back. When all had their turn, I asked them for a chance to say a few more words. "OK, you have only a couple of minutes because we have to be out of here in 5 minutes." The lads after their Grand Howl and prayers had their clothes on and cleared out of the hall about the time it took to look around.

I had never met the Akela at that time, met him at a special night a couple of weeks later, never heard him raise his voice once throughout. What he has I don't know, but he certainly has instilled into those lads a sense of duty and respect for the Cub Law and Promise that you don't see elsewhere. No other Pack, that I have visited would dare be left alone by the Akela for a very short time, let alone carry out for the rest of the evening and close and lock the hall. In the majority of cases, I'm afraid there would be no hall left.

A Few Hints on How to Encourage Co-operation of Cubs' Parents in the Life of the Pack

By Miss Noreen Wilson, Verdun, Que.
CM of Crawford Park Pack

WHEN a New Chum first comes to my Pack, I send him home with the application form for his parents' consent. Then, before a Cub is invested I speak with his parents and help them to see the importance of their son's investiture, and ask their co-operation in his Cub work. Besides our regular "Parents' Nights" I often invite the individual parents down for special events—such as the presentation of proficiency badges, investiture of a Second Star Cub, and an investiture of a Sixer.

Fathers of Cubs are on our Group Committee, and we have a Ladies Auxiliary of Scout and Cub mothers. Two of our mothers have given instruction courses in "Homecraft" and "House Orderly" badges. The fathers have helped in badges—a carpenter ran an excellent course of instruction for six weeks on the "Toymaker"

badge, a policeman is now instructing in "First Aider", and a prize-winner amateur gardener spent a whole summer on the "Gardener's" badge. The above-mentioned are all Cub parents, each excellent in his or her own badge work, and the Cubs received first-class training,—far better instruction than they would have received from their leaders! Another father took complete charge of our hockey team and the Cubs had a wonderful winter of hockey. If a parent has a special training or hobby I find that he (or she) is more than willing to instruct and help the Pack in any way.

My pet theory is that Cubbing is not only for the Cubs but for the parents also and if you have at least from 50-75% of the parents working with you and helping them the life of the Pack rolls merrily along!

I think it is important to know the Cubs' parents and to see the Cubs in their homes. Cubs are never perfect, but even the worst of them can be helped and understood if the Akela understands the home conditions and makes suitable allowances.

Cubs of the Iverley Community Centre Pack present \$36.00 in pennies, which have been collected over the past few months, to Miss P. Fisher of the Children's Memorial Hospital, Montreal, Que. The money will be used in Occupational Therapy and the Cubs are very happy in their good turn.





CODES AND CIPHERS. By Alexander d'Agapeyeff. Published by Oxford University Press, Toronto. Price \$1.35.

This interesting and entertaining book is one of a series termed "The Compass Books" which deals with one subject which is of perennial interest to boys of Cub and Scout and Rover age. Mr. d'Agapeyeff is an authority on cryptography and has told the tale of this interesting means of communication from the earliest beginnings to the present methods of deciphering the most complex codes. The Scout woodcraft signs are interwoven into the tale and the whole story is presented in a very easy to read style. Quite apart from its usefulness as a reference book in devising new games, *Codes and Ciphers* would make an excellent gift book for those boys with the enquiring mind.

THE MYSTERY HORSE. By Louise Riley. Published by The Copp Clark Co., Ltd., Toronto.

Here is the enthralling story of a boy who falls in love with a beautiful bay filly but despite his love for this animal he makes an honest attempt to discover the owner by working with the R.C.M.P. Although the story centres around the boy and his horse the atmosphere of the good family life is pointed up throughout the story. John Merle Smith has caught the characters of the story in his very fine illustrations and there is little doubt that this is another book which will be read again and again by boys and adults.

THE WAHOO BOBCAT. By Joseph Wharton Lippincott. Published by Longmans, Green & Co., Toronto. Price \$3.25.

A thrilling tale of neighborliness in backwoods life. Mr. Lippincott has

given the reader a tale of the fascinating friendship of a boy and a fierce bobcat who reigned supreme in the little known region of Florida known as the Wahoo country. Only the friendship and understanding of a boy who loves all that is part of backwoods life can pierce the veil of terror which the giant cat holds for all humans. A really thrilling story of adventure which will catch the imagination of boy and adult alike, this story is recommended as a gift. Paul Bransom's beautiful and realistic illustrations are obviously drawn by one who knows the bobcat and they give more vital life to the story.

PUBLIC OCCASIONS. By The Boy Scouts Association. Available through Stores Department, Agents, Provincial HQ or direct from The Stores Department, Ottawa. Price \$1.25.

One of the most valuable reference books for Scouters that has been published in recent years. Every Scouter is faced with the problems dealt with in this excellent book. For example there are chapters dealing with Outdoor Rallies, District Campfires, Swimming Galas, Rover Moots, Handicraft Exhibitions and Annual Shows. Twenty-five authorities have contributed to provide Scouters with an up to the minute account of what must be done when planning any Public Occasion. From a Public Relations standpoint this book is of great value to the new Scouter in particular and to every Scouter who must at some time or other plan to entertain the Public at a Scout gathering. The illustrations by Ken Sprague are entertaining and at the same time point up many of the pitfalls which are not so comical in actual practice. Order your copy today and be prepared for your next Public Occasion.

By R. F. (John) Thurman,
Camp Chief, Gilwell Park

This is the first section of a report written by Mr. Thurman especially for *The Scout Leader*. During his visit to Canada last summer, Mr. Thurman saw a great deal of Canadian Scouting and was asked to direct a few remarks to our Scouters through *The Scout Leader*.

WHAT a wonderful country you live in for practical Scouting. It is a wonderful country anyway but for our particular purposes so much of it might have been specially designed so that Scouting could grow and flourish. You know this, of course, or do you? Perhaps in some cases you know it and have forgotten it; perhaps some of you have never realized it; perhaps some of you realize it but only in a vague way, but to any visitor from overseas who is concerned with Scouting it is inevitable that the major impression is "What a wonderful opportunity". Oh, I know there are problems attendant upon the opportunity; problems of distance, the expense of travel, problems of climate and problems of time. At home here I never have to think twice before telephoning anyone and in Canada obviously one must as the person might with good reason be in bed at a time when others are equally properly at work. The problems are there; I see that well enough and, I hope, sympathetically. Now and then, however, I had the impression that some of you, Scouters and Commissioners, were tending to make the most of your problems and the least of your opportunities.

What are these opportunities as I see them? Scouting was envisaged by B.-P. primarily as an activity of the out-of-doors, an activity of the forests and fields, of the mountains, rivers and lakes. You have all these things and all of them in good measure in all their natural beauty. So often I heard of too much done indoors and too little use of all that surrounds you. I know that not all our Scouting can be done out of doors. For reasons of climate and time a great deal of our training must be given in the Troop room but, accept that as we must, it remains equally true that our Troop room is only the place where we prepare to go out, the place where we learn to do our Scouting so that when we are able to take advantage of natural opportunities our Scouting is the better and more interesting for the work we have done in the Troop room.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

CUB PUTS COMMISSIONER ON THE MAT

Visiting Commissioner, at conclusion of a yarn to a keen young Cub Pack: "Now, I wonder if any of you would like to ask ME any questions?"

Obvious deep thought on the part of the Cubs, then, from one bright-faced young Tenderpad—"Yes Sir, I know one." "A man and his dog were

climbing a hill. What was the dog's name?"

That started it, riddles flew thick and fast and after a nonstop ten minutes only Akela's inspired suggestion of a new game saved one Commissioner from complete mental oblivion.

—You never know, with Cubs.

—The Victorian Scout

Chapel Dedicated to the Memory of Rover Scouts

LARGELY attended ceremonies were held on the afternoon of October 29th, at the official opening of the 5th Kipling Rover Scout Crew when a chapel was dedicated to the memory of Robert Laur, 18 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Laur and Rover Scout Alex Murr, 18 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Murr. The two Rover Scouts were instantly killed five miles north of Tillsonburg, Ont., on June 1st, when their Tiger-Moth bi-plane crashed.

Robert Laur was one of the youngest licensed pilots in Canada when he received his flying license, and a few months ago the two boys made history by flying to a Rover Scout Jamboree at Oshawa.

Today W. H. Gibson, regional commissioner and Citizen Rover, paid respects to the young men and said "We rejoice in their memories, and see them living still in the Scouts and still carrying on the work here, and rejoice that this chapel will be a memorial to these Christian lads who have gone".

The dedication was carried out by Rover Mate George Willits, with Rover Scout Ronald Prickett reading the Scripture lesson and the Rev. W. E. Aldworth giving the dedication prayer. This was followed by the hymn of dedication, and a solo by W. E. Pulling.

W. R. Myrick, Rover leader, welcomed the visitors and Harold C. Taylor, Delhi, Assistant Provincial Commissioner (Rovers), and a former member of Tillsonburg crew officially declared the Headquarters opened, and assisted in the flag breaking ceremonies.

A lounge was dedicated in memory of Rovers from Tillsonburg who paid the supreme sacrifice in two world wars.

Assistant Rover Leader Jack Vance said the Rover crew spent three years of volunteer work in erecting the new headquarters, and the furniture had all been donated. Today Mr. and Mrs. Laur and Mrs. Murr donated a floor lamp.

Rover Scouts Ronald Prickett and Wray Routledge presented roses to Mrs. Murr and Mrs. Laur. In the chapel was a framed letter from Mrs. Caroline Kipling giving the crew permission to use the name Kipling. Rover Scout Wray Routledge was chairman and following the ceremonies citizens inspected the new headquarters.

A Birthday Present for Our Chief Executive Commissioner

MAJOR GENERAL D. C. SPRY

Here is an opportunity for every member of the Movement to pay tribute to the man who has been our leader since September 5th, 1946. Major-General Spry will celebrate his birthday on February 4th, and when we asked, in discussion, what he would like most for a birthday present he said:

"The best birthday present you could give me would be the assurance that everyone connected with the Movement had read or re-read *Scouting for Boys* within the past six months."

May we therefore, suggest that you follow this up and then fill in the following certificate and send it along to our Chief Executive Commissioner.

To:

Major-General D. C. Spry,
Chief Executive Commissioner,
The Boy Scouts Association,
306 Metcalfe Street,
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

This is to certify that I have read or re-read *Scouting for Boys* during the past six months.

(SIGNED)

Larry Dinnigan, Scouter Bob Cocker and Peter Carroll of the 27th (St. Mary's) Troop in Calgary, Alta., have again decided to pitch in and give Santa a hand with Christmas. This is the 27th year of operation for toyshops in Calgary with each Troop taking a different night for repair work.





PLAN ACHIEVEMENT FOR ROVER SCOUTS



By D. R. Milne, Field Commissioner, Canadian Headquarters

THE ability to plan is particularly vital to the young man of Rover Scout age. During the years that he is a Rover, he must make many decisions that will shape his future success and happiness.

Similarly the success of the Rover Crew depends upon its faculty to meet the requirements of the members. Participation in an outline for Crew life may constitute the initial training school in planning for life itself. Experience has shown that the most successful Crews are those which set out for themselves a definite course, and follow it. Plan Achievement has been prepared as a guide to Crews in setting targets to be achieved in the next three years.

The Plan seeks to emphasize four fundamental aspects of Rovering—personal preparation, service, brotherhood and outdoor life.

A Rover's prime duty is to himself. B.-P. stressed the need for a young man to be firmly established in life himself before attempting to go out in the service of others. The effectiveness of the Rover Crew in assisting the Rover to prepare himself for life will be determined by the type and quality of

the training which the Crew offers. Significantly, the first target for Rovers is that, "All theoretical training will be carefully co-ordinated with practical application and activities, and full appreciation of the implications of the Rover Scout Vigil and Investiture will be emphasized." In other words, personal and practical preparation for life.

Service, basic to the Rover programme, receives major emphasis. The encouragement of individual and collective community service projects and emergency preparedness is perhaps the foremost of the Plan's three-fold objective. Each Crew is urged to set as a minimum target at least one Crew service project annually in addition to individual Rover service.

B.-P. has described Rovering as a *Brotherhood*. One of the greatest services which our movement can render is to provide opportunity for young men to meet, to live together and to exchange ideas with others locally, nationally and internationally. Rover Moots, providing such opportunity, are being held with increasing frequency in Canada. Plan Achievement's target is representation for at least one Moot or similar event each year. Since brother-

hood begins at home, the encouragement of close liaison between the Crew and other sections of the group forms a second important target.

We should remind ourselves that Rovering is a Brotherhood of the *Out-of-Doors*. There is no more suitable place to foster the development of young men physically, intellectually, socially and spiritually. Plan Achievement sets out three targets. "Every Rover Scout will complete at least 14 days camping and hiking every year." "At least one Rover in each Crew to earn the Rambler's Badge each year." "Every Crew will participate in at least one adventurous activity in each of the four seasons."

This then is Plan Achievement for Rovers. It is presented as a guide for your use in setting up targets for your own Crews. Many Crews will have achieved the suggested targets already. These will undoubtedly set new and more ambitious objectives. The Plan itself is merely a desirable minimum—a floor as it were. The ceiling is unlimited. The important thing is to examine the plan carefully *now*, set out your Crew objectives and get on with the job.



Aim at this Target for 1951



**Attendance at Canada's greatest gathering of
Rover Scouts.**

Make plans now to have your Crew represented.

**The Moot will be conducted on a light-weight
camping basis.**

LATEST DETAILS

Moot Chief: W. H. J. Tisdale,
Provincial Commissioner for Ontario

Asst. Moot Chief: W. T. Hilton, Toronto

MOOT FEE: \$2.00

Brief Record of Parades, Camps and Other Activities Report of 1st St. Albert Troop for Year Ending May 1950—1st Year

Made to Annual Meeting of Group Committee and Sponsors.

I submit herewith for your approval the report of the 1st St. Albert Troop of the Boy Scouts for the 1st year, ending May 8th, 1950.

Commencing in May 1949 with 18 boys they were formed into three Patrols. Three of the original boys did not continue and five recruits who joined during the year dropped out after a few meetings. Eight Cubs have come up and our membership now stands at 27 and all are active. These are formed into five Patrols.

EAGLE PATROL 5 members with Rene Morin as Patrol Leader.

WOLF PATROL 5 members with Gordon Akins as Patrol Leader.

ROBIN PATROL 5 members with Pat McDonald as Patrol Leader.

BUFFALO PATROL 5 members with Roy Sylviski as Patrol Leader.

CROW PATROL 6 members with Rene Brodeur as Patrol Leader.

The boys themselves elected their Patrol Leaders by ballot and these in turn selected their own second. The other boys were each given their choice of Patrols and in every case except one they were placed in the Patrol of their first choice. The boys themselves in turn selected Wilfred Perrault as their Troop Leader.

There have been a total of 47 meetings held during the year and all have been conducted on the point system on a competitive basis, with the Honour Pennant going to the Patrol with the highest marks at the end of the month. Points are given for attendance, good turns reported, competitive games, etc., and are deducted for lateness, personal inspection, conduct at meetings, untidiness of Patrol corners, etc. A Court of Honour, comprised of Patrol Leaders, seconds and the Leaders, meet every so often to plan Troop activities, deal with sets of Misdemeanor and generally conduct the affairs of the Troop.

Three of the Cubs which have come up have been awarded their Leaping Wolf badges for attaining the status of 2nd star Cubs. Standing of the Troop at this date is as follows: 2 1st Class Scouts, each with grade "A" cords for 6 proficiency badges; 12 2nd Class Scouts; 9 Tenderfoot Scouts; 4 recent recruits.

In all 54 Proficiency Badges have been earned as follows: Artist 11,



Last month *The Scout Leader* carried a short article on the Investiture of a Scout who had lost his speech. Here is the plucky Scout, Peter Chaprun, 13, with his Scoutmaster H. M. Watson who worked with Peter for the five months previous to the Investiture.

Dairyman 8, Farmer 5, Missioner 5, Interpreter 4, Friend to Animals 4, Athlete 3, Stalker 3, Winter Sports 2, Bookbinder 2, Ambulanceman 1, Healthyman 1, Stockman 1, Carpenter 1, Handyman 1, Beekeeper 1, Entertainer 1.

The Patrols have each been asked to set up Patrol Headquarters or "Dens" where they can conduct their own weekly meetings and plan their Patrol activities. They are encouraged to plan Patrol Good Turns whereby they can learn to work together and at the same time serve a useful purpose.

Troop activities during the year have been as follows:

July 10: A hike and weiner roast a mile east of town on the Sturgeon River with instruction on building a pyramid type campfire.

August 23: A joint meeting of Scouts and Cubs to hear a report on the 1st Canadian Jamboree held at Ottawa by Scout Bob McEachern of Edmonton.

June: The Troop assisted at the Amateur Night sponsored by the Group Committee.

September 5: Assisted in many ways at the Community League picnic on the grounds and at the refreshment booth sponsored by the Group Committee.

October 11: Hike along the Sturgeon

River west of town for the purpose of passing fire lighting and cooking tests.

October 22: Scouts were taken in to the Rally in Edmonton to meet the Chief Executive Commissioner from Ottawa, Major General D. C. Spry.

December: Conducted a Toy Repair Shop and packed bundles of toys and clothing for seven needy families in the district. Also collected magazines around town and delivered them to the Youville Home.

February 19: Attended Scout Week Church Services in conjunction with Edmonton Troops in observation of the founder, Baden-Powell.

February 26: 1st Annual Parent and Boy Banquet was held in the Parish Hall to honour Baden-Powell. Officials from Headquarters in Edmonton and Ottawa were present.

March 12: Troop visited the Indian Industrial School for a tour and to hear Mr. Dupre relate his experiences as a war spy in the last war.

March 27: P.L.s and Leaders attending showing of films on Scouting in Edmonton.

April 21: Assisted the Group Committee at the Barn Dance in the Community Hall by keeping back the crowd during the judging, guarding the exit doors and helping the ladies serve lunch and clean up after.

April 23: Troop attended church service conducted by Fr. Magnan in honour of our Patron Saint in observance of St. George's Day.

April 29: Troop assisted the Women's Institute with a Cancer Fund Tag Day.

May 5: Several of the 2nd Class Scouts attended a Bronze Arrowhead Course of instruction on Lake Wabamun under Sea Scoutmaster E. S. Cooper of Edmonton.

Besides these activities several overnight camps have been held and the Scouts have assisted at all functions during the year where ushers were required, such as the picture shows, concerts, plays and other social functions.

I am deeply indebted to Father Magnan and Mr. Raboud for their valuable assistance at the meetings and other activities. Also to Const. Rosengren for his instruction in First Aid and to Father Labonte and the Community League for the free use of their halls for our meetings. I am indebted to the Edmonton Council for their valuable assistance, to the public for their generous support of all functions and to the parents for their co-operation. And last but not least to the untiring efforts of the Group Committee who have worked so hard to make this all possible and to enable us to send one of our boys to the American Jamboree in Pennsylvania. These are truly wonderful achievements for only one year and we thank each and every one who has made it possible.

Sincerely yours,
(Signed)

H. SUMNER,
Scoutmaster,
1st St. Albert Troop



SUGGESTED BOOKS FOR SCOUTERS

For the Cubmaster

The Wolf Cub Handbook.....	75c
The Cubmaster's First Year.....	75c
The Cub Book.....	15c
Wolf Cubs by Gilcraft.....	85c
How to Run a Pack by Gilcraft.....	85c
Prayers for the Brotherhood of Scouts (Leather)	95c
(Cloth)	35c
Policy, Organization and Rules, Canada	25c

For the Scoutmaster

Scouting for Boys.....	95c
The Scoutmaster's First Year.....	75c
Tenderfoot to King's Scout.....	40c
How to Run a Troop by Gilcraft.....	75c
Prayers for the Brotherhood of	

Scouts (Leather)	95c
(Cloth)	35c
Camping Guide for Canadian Scouts	15c
Policy, Organization and Rules, Canada	25c

For the Rover Scout Leader

Rovering to Success.....	\$1.25
Scouting for Boys.....	95c
Camping Guide for Canadian Scouts	15c
Policy, Organization and Rules, Canada	25c

All books listed are available from your Provincial Headquarters or the Stores Department, 306 Metcalfe St., Ottawa.

HEADQUARTERS NOTICES

WINTER SCOUTING BADGE

The Winter Scouting Badge has been produced in two sizes, one size will be similar to regular proficiency badges, and the other a larger badge, of the same design, measuring 3" in diameter. This badge may be worn by those qualified on the left arm of the Scout Parka at a point 3" below the shoulder seam.

These badges will be obtainable from Provincial Headquarters at a cost of 8c for the small size and 20c for the large size.

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CHANGES IN RULES

The following changes in rules are reprinted from the July-August, 1950 issue of *The Scout Leader* in response to many requests.

(1) Uniform—(a) Shirts and shorts will be retained as the distinctive dress of the Boy Scouts in Canada for wear on appropriate occasions.

(2) The wear and use of sheath knives is restricted to boys of First Class or higher grade.

(3) Entrance Age for Rovers:—The entrance age for Rover Scouts is lowered to 16, but Rover Squires will not be permitted to take their investiture before their 17th birthday. The upper age limit for Boy Scouts remains at 18 as at present.

(4) King's Scout Qualifying Badge Repasses:—In future only the Ambulance Man's Badge will require an annual re-pass. Other King's Scout qualifying badges will not require an annual pass.

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His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, the Honourable Gaspard Fauteux, P.C., L.L.D., D.D.S., L.D.S., has been appointed the Provincial Patron for The Boy Scouts Association in the Province of Quebec, by the Chief Scout for Canada.

HEADQUARTERS NOTICES

STAFF VACANCIES

Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario

Field Commissioner to be located in either Fort William or Port Arthur to assist these two District Councils and to carry out field work in Eastern Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario under the supervision of the Provincial Executive Commissioner for Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario.

Starting salary \$2,400 per annum, including normal increases, pension, group insurance, and medical and hospital insurance.

Applications in this connection to be forwarded to Canadian Headquarters. All those received up to December 31st, 1950, will be considered.

Saskatchewan

Field Commissioner for Central and Northern Saskatchewan to be located in Saskatoon but without responsibility for the Saskatoon District as this is provided for by other means. The Field Commissioner will operate under the supervision of the Provincial Executive Commissioner who is located in Regina.

Starting salary \$2,400 per annum, including normal increases, pension, group insurance, and medical and hospital insurance.

Applications in this connection to be forwarded to Canadian Headquarters. All those received up to December 31st, 1950, will be considered.

Toronto Metropolitan Area

Field Commissioner to be located in Toronto and to be responsible for field work in section of Toronto and some functional responsibilities in the Toronto Metropolitan Area Headquarters.

Starting salary \$2,400 per annum and up depending upon experience, including normal increases, pension, group insurance, and medical and hospital insurance.

Applications in this connection to be forwarded to Canadian Headquarters. All those received up to January 15th will be considered.

Canadian Headquarters

There will be two vacancies for Field Commissioners at Canadian Headquarters with effect from the 15th January, 1951.

The starting salary will be \$2,064 per annum, with some adjustment possible in the case of a well-experienced Scouter, together with the normal increases, pension, group insurance, and medical and hospital insurance.

These Field Commissioners will be held for training at Canadian Headquarters and given the opportunity of studying District and Provincial methods at first hand with the ultimate object of being posted to a Provincial or District appointment as these become available.

Applications should be forwarded to Canadian Headquarters.

Yukon Territory

The above position has been established and is to be filled at the earliest opportunity. The person selected for this post will be based on Prince George, B.C., and will be responsible for conducting field work between Prince George, Prince Rupert, the Cariboo and the Yukon Territory. He will be employed by Canadian Headquarters but will receive his instructions from the British Columbia Provincial Council. Once annually he will visit the District of Mackenzie in the North West Territories.

The starting salary will be \$2,400 per annum with normal increases, pension, group insurance, and medical and hospital insurance.

Applications in this connection to be forwarded to Canadian Headquarters. All those received up to January 15th will be considered.

SEVENTH WORLD JAMBOREE—AUSTRIA

AUGUST 3-13, 1951—BULLETIN NO. 2

1. Steamship Accommodation

The following accommodation has been reserved for our use in connection with the above mentioned Jamboree:

Eastbound.....S.S. *Ascania*, ex Montreal July 18

Westbound.....S.S. *Scythia*, ex Southampton Aug. 23

Total cost in this connection has been advised as \$305.00 which is somewhat better than the \$350.00 originally estimated.

2. Deadline for Applications

In order that all those selected to attend the Jamboree may have adequate time to finalize their own arrangements it has been decided to establish a fairly early deadline for the receipt of applications at Canadian Headquarters. Therefore, Provincial offices may set their own deadlines provided that applications for participation in the Jamboree are in the hands of Canadian Headquarters by 15th March, 1951.

With regard to Leaders, final selection by the Chief Executive Commissioner will be made from lists submitted by provinces. Successful applicants for leadership will be advised as soon as possible after 15th March.

3. Fees

(a) Scouts:

The following will be required to be forwarded to Canadian Headquarters with lists of selected applicants:

10% Steamship Fare.....	\$ 30.00
Railfare England-Austria return.....	45.00
Camp Fee	25.00
Total	\$100.00

The remainder is to be forwarded so as to reach Canadian Headquarters not later than 15th June.

(b) Leaders:

On being advised that they have been selected as Leaders for the contingent, those so selected will be required to forward the above fees, the remainder to be forwarded in the same way as for Scouts.

4. Equipment

Details concerning canvas, cooking equipment and personal kit will be issued as soon as further instructions are received from Jamboree Headquarters.

During the war, the ribbon factories in France went out of business and so we were not able to get the tartan ribbon for the Gilwell neckerchiefs. Incidentally, France is the only country that makes this particular type of tartan ribbon.

The factories have now opened up and Maclaren tartan ribbon is available once more. The Stores Department has a supply on hand and those Wood Badge Scouters who have neckerchiefs with the tartan in some queer sort of material with the design stamped thereon, may obtain from the Department a patch of real ribbon cut to size, on payment of five cents. In ordering, be sure to quote your parchment number.

There may be some who wonder why we have a patch of Maclaren tartan. It is in honour of Mr. W. de Bois Maclaren who in 1918 offered to purchase a camping ground which would be available for Scouts, especially those from the East of London. A small committee was formed and decided to look for an estate which would not only afford camping facilities but would also act as a centre for Scouters' training. Early in 1919 they found that the estate of Gilwell Park near Chingford was for sale. It was inspected by the committee, and B.-P. and Mr. Maclaren were informed that it would suit for the purposes in view. Negotiations were started at once and by Easter of that year permission was given to make use of the estate. The purchase was completed by Mr. Maclaren and the formal opening took place on 25th July, 1919.