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CAMP SURVEY**

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ACHIEVEMENT  
SUPPLEMENT**

**ST. GEORGE'S  
DAY  
APRIL 23rd  
1952**



# ANNUAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Canadian General Council of The Boy Scouts Association will be held in Ottawa, Ont., on

FRIDAY, APRIL 25th, 1952  
at 3.00 p.m.

Any Scouters or laymen in Ottawa at that time will receive a hearty welcome at this meeting.



## St. George's Day April 23rd.

"On St. George's Day, Scouts gather together to give thanks for the life of our Founder, and to reaffirm the promise they made at their investiture.

Let each of us, therefore, resolve to pay more attention to our duty to help other people. Remember always what our Founder told us in his last message; that the only way of gaining happiness for ourselves, is to try and give it away to other people.

*Rosallan.*

Chief Scout  
British Commonwealth and Empire

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## The Sign Post

### CAMP FIRES

Camp fires, both indoor and outdoor, provide Scouters with a golden opportunity for leaving in the boys' minds something of the spiritual foundations of Scouting. At every campfire time should be provided, however brief, for the Scouter to implant in the boys' thoughts some conception of the spiritual element of Scouting. This is not easy to the inexperienced, and I commend to you all the excellent book by John Thurman, the Camp Chief of Gilwell Park, "The Camp Fire Leader's Book". Let us do everything we can to make the most of our camp fires. After all, these are the times that stick in a boy's mind.

### HISTORY OF SCOUTING

My predecessor, Dr. John A. Stiles, O.B.E., is at present working on an outline history of the Scout Movement in Canada. I wonder how many Groups and Districts have prepared anything of the history of Scouting in their own particular area. Has your Troop its own log-book or history? Surely here is a project for some of those older lads who are not yet ready for the Rover Crew.

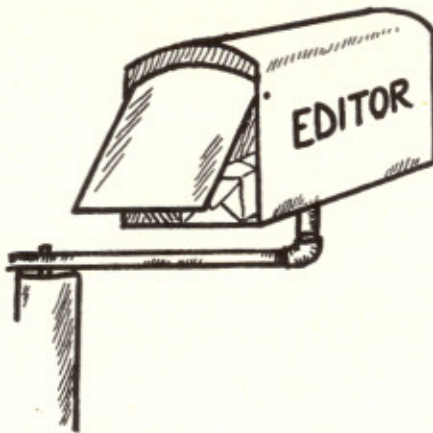
### DISASTER TRAINING

As Spring approaches, I hope that every Troop and Crew in Canada will overhaul its arrangements for dealing with emergencies and disasters. How quickly can you turn out your Troop or Crew? In what condition is your equipment? Have you the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of everyone in your Troop or Crew? Can you really do a job if called upon to do so?

Our motto is "Be Prepared". Are you?

*J. C. Spang*

Chief Executive Commissioner.



Dear Sir:

I do not know whether this has any news value for *The Scout Leader*, but when the city of Montreal was entertaining her Royal Highness, Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh, they had an urgent need for volunteers to help line the street and control traffic. In answer to this, some 162 Scouts, Cubs and Guides travelled from St. Maurice Valley, (towns of Grand'Mere, Shawinigan and Three Rivers) and, in my opinion, did a very creditable job. Some 16,850 Scout miles were travelled in this service, and I feel the boys are to be commended for doing a Scouting job, in a Scouting fashion.

Scoutingly yours,  
J. BARRY CALE,  
Assistant District Commissioner,  
St. Maurice Valley, Quebec.

Dear Sir:

It has been a source of great pleasure to me to see you instituting a section on Sea Scouting under the caption "Up Anchor" in *The Scout Leader*. The Sea Scout branch can play an important part in the overall picture of our Movement and it is most encouraging to Sea Scouters to witness your active promotion in this direction.

Canada is a "water-country" and because of this there should be within our borders one of the largest and most progressive Sea Scout populations in the world. Should we fail to establish ourselves as a leader in this aspect of youth training, then I am firmly convinced that we are guilty of wasting our opportunities and failing to develop a waiting potential. This branch offers a tremendously thrilling programme which is capable of attracting boys who would otherwise be lukewarm towards or downright uninterested in Scouting and it seems obvious that there is pressing need for such a programme.

Sea Scouting forms an integral part of our Scout Family; its adherents hold to the same Law and Promise as their Brothers in the other sections and the ultimate goal is the same—the developing of good citizens. The difference between Boy Scouts and Sea Scouts is a matter of method, not aim; one uses the lure of the land as a medium, the other employs the romance of the sea.

Please accept my sincere thanks for your encouraging efforts in re-building a branch in which I feel Canadian Scouting as a whole will one day take justifiable pride.

Sincerely yours,  
ARTHUR G. HOLMES,  
A.D.C. Sea Scouts,  
Western District,  
Montreal Metropolitan Area.

Dear Sirs:

Our Patrol Leaders' Troop meets once a month under the District S.M. and other Scouters in the city. Their November meeting got under way as usual with Flag Break and corners when I walked a "trampy" looking individual. He was looking for the Salvation Army. Scouts gave him directions, he left and the meeting continued. Not long afterward in came an R.C.M.P. constable. He was looking for a missing man. The Patrols gave him descriptions of the "tramp" but he proved not to be the man sought by the police. D.S.M. Cross went outside and returned with the "tramp" and description were compared to the actual!

The "tramp" was a Group Committeeman. The R.C.M.P. constable was a young man recently transferred here and interested in Scouting.

Scoutingly,  
A. T. JENKINS, D.C.  
Moose Jaw, Sask.

Dear Editor:

I have just seen a copy of your *Scout Leader* for May 1951, which gave a programme of the Canadian Rovers first Moot, which I have found very interesting and some of the ideas I am sure will be useful to my Rovers. I wonder if it is possible for me to get hold of a later copy of your paper which might perhaps give a report of the Moot after it had taken place, am interested to hear how things went.

Due to currency difficulties I suppose I can't send you cash to get a copy, but am wondering whether perhaps you can put me in touch with one of your Rover Commissioners for Rover Leaders who would send me a copy of your paper each month, and in return I will send him a copy of the British equivalent, *The Scouter*, each month. Hope you don't mind me writing you on this, but am really interested in your publication, and the above suggestion may be a way in which I can get it.

All best wishes to you. Good Scouting.

Yours sincerely,  
CYRIL G. OLIVER,  
Assistant County Commissioner  
for Rover Scouts.

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*Ed's Note:* We have sent several copies of *The Scout Leader* to Commissioner Oliver and sincerely hope that some Rover Scout Leader will exchange magazines with him. We also sent along a copy of *The Rover Rambler* bound edition.

Please address Mr. Oliver, c/o *The Scout Leader*.



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# BEADS OF ACHIEVEMENT



HERE is a complete list of the Gilwell Part II (Camp) courses being held in Canada this year. Many applications have already been filed for these courses and Scouters are making their plans now to have their holidays coincide with the dates of the Gilwell in their Province.

Plan Achievement calls on each and every one of us to make a real effort to take training so that we may be of greater service to the boys we are privileged to lead. Will you be at Gilwell in 1952?

## WOOD BADGE COURSES 1952

B. C.	Cubmasters . . . . .	August 23 — 30	Camp Byng
	Scoutmasters . . . . .	July 26 — August 3	Zamora Ranch
PRAIRIES	Cubmasters . . . . .	July 14 — 19	Sylvan Lake
	Scoutmasters . . . . .	June 30 — July 9	Sylvan Lake
ONTARIO	Cubmasters . . . . .	July 26 — August 1	Blue Springs
		September 6 — 12	Blue Springs
		Week-ends June 7 — 28	Crooked Creek
	Scoutmasters . . . . .	July 12 — 20	Blue Springs
		September 20 — 28	Blue Springs
		Week-ends May 3 — 24	Crooked Creek
	Rover Scout Leaders . . . . .	August 16 — 22	Blue Springs
MARITIMES	Scoutmasters . . . . .	July 8 — 18	Near Moncton, N.B.
QUEBEC	Cubmasters . . . . .	August 16 — 23 . . . . .	Tamaracouta
		Week-ends May 30 —	
		June 8	Tamaracouta
	Scoutmasters . . . . .	June 8 — 15	Tamaracouta

## Here's An Idea For District Scouters to Ponder

A MOST useful specialization course, which might well be used in other larger centres, was recently successfully concluded in Ottawa. It was a training course for District Scouters, which we understand, was also used in Toronto some years ago. Under the chairmanship of the District Commissioner, Ray McClelland, the course was completed in one afternoon and evening.

The sessions were as follows:

*The Church and Scouting*, conducted by a Protestant minister and a Roman Catholic priest, and dealing with the churches' problems with boyhood, its need of the Scout programme, its ability to supply leadership, its limitations, the need for emphasis of spiritual values, and how the District Scouter and clergy can co-operate.

*The District Scouter*, dealing with

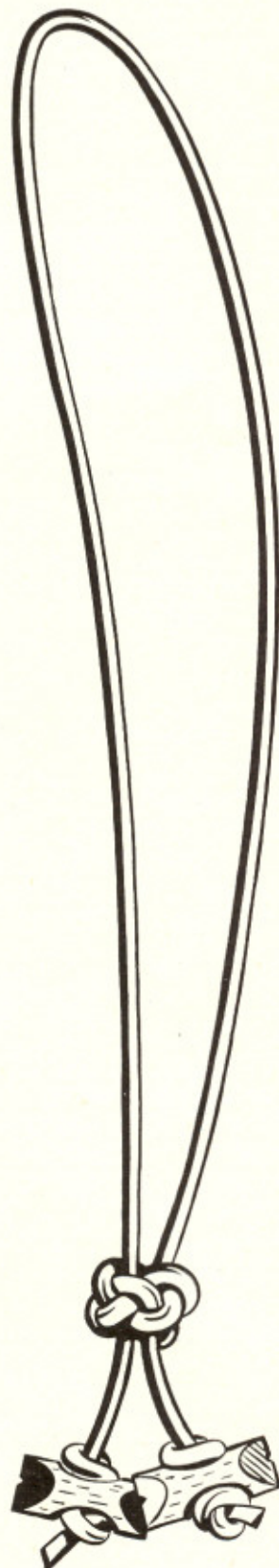
his place and function, his qualifications and training.

*The Community and Scouting*, in which a history and background of Scouting in Ottawa was given.

*Fundamentals of Programming*, dealing with the essentials in construction of a good programme, where emphasis should be placed, appearance of leaders, investiture and other ceremonies, source of programme materials, and where the District Scouter can render aid.

The final session after dinner was on *The Boy Scouts Association and its Internal Development*. This session dealt with the origin of Canadian, Provincial and District Headquarters, their development, functions, staff, limitations, financing, and relationships to International Scouting.

The course closed with a summary by the District Commissioner.





# CANADIAN HOLIDAY

By SIR IAN BOLTON, O.B.E., D.L.

*Sir Ian Bolton is President of The Scottish Council of The Boy Scouts Association. Canadian Scouting was honoured by a visit from this great Scouter and had the pleasure of assisting him to see something of our country and our boys.*

WHEN I was in Paris in 1908 DeLagrange flew 150 metres at about 20 ft. from the ground and *Scouting for Boys* appeared at home, but it never entered my head that one day I should go and buy in ordinary course a ticket to fly the Atlantic. But so it has happened.

I was invited last February by some of my old Scouts to visit them in Canada and September was the month agreed on.

The bus left Glasgow and could hardly enter the airport at Prestwick owing to the stream of local cars visiting the floodlit "Brabazon". After some formalities, the Stratocruiser took off with 60 of us on board. Little noise, no buzzing or pain in one's ears as in a non-pressurized cabin. Bunks were made down and those who had arranged to do so went to bed. But headwinds had a say in the matter and in a few hours we landed at Kerflavik in Iceland.

After visiting the Air Terminal, buying postcards and drinking tea, we were off again at 3.30 a.m. Breakfast on board at 9 a.m. and arrival at Montreal about 1 p.m. by my watch after 14 hours of flying time. There were Customs, forms to fill up, and officials to interview, passports and vaccination certificates to produce, and we were free in Canada. Two old Scouts, with cars, were waiting to take me to breakfast! It was 8.20 a.m.

From the Airport five non-stop weeks began. Innumerable cars racing on the "wrong" side of the road—it took me four weeks to get accustomed to going round corners—innumerable wooden houses, all brightly painted, with coloured tiles on the roofs and trees in all directions. Factories with huge car parks and streets 12 to 20 miles long.

After breakfast my host took me for a tour of Montreal and later to a lunch provided at the Yacht Club by the Chairman of the Canadian Scout Council (who had only heard the day before of my arriving)—then a visit to S.S.S. *Venture*, a Sea Scout H.Q., and a further tour, a cocktail party at the University and home in a thunderstorm.

Next day off by car to see the Montreal Scout Camp Site at Tamaracouta, and after lunch through the Laurentian Mountains to St. Jovite. Next day on to Mt. Laurier and to Ottawa—one of the only two wet days of the tour. After seeing Ottawa next morning, more old Scouts in cars took me to Toronto and later to Hamilton by midnight.

The following day was Sunday, and my host, old Scout, now R.S.L., set off to reach Blue Springs Camp (Ontario's Gilwell) to visit the 1st All Canada Rover Moot by 9 a.m. We just made it. 450 Rovers and all the Chief Canadian Scout officials present for the opening by the Lieut.-Governor, Hon. Ray Lawson. I wandered round the whole camp. There were 2 pipe bands and 3 kilted crews, so it was easy. Gen. Dan Spry had invited me to speak, which I duly did. Canadian Rovers obviously had no idea of the difficulties caused by National Service here. They were a fine crowd. The Rover age in Canada is down to 16½, and the upper age limit is being hotly debated.

The Moot probably changed the whole character of my tour in the West. I was running on a strict schedule, but wherever I was booked to stay out west thereafter—Vancouver, Victoria, Edmonton, Winnipeg—the Scouts took charge.

I toured cities, I met Lt.-Governors, Ministers and Mayors. I visited Camp Sites, Provincial and City Scouts H.Q.s, Universities, oil fields, and even a cattle sale. I attended special lunches and two District (L.A.) meetings, made speeches and discussed Scout problems. All under the auspices and in the cars of various Scout Commissioners and Executives. Hospitality in Canada has to be experienced to be believed.

I crossed the Rockies twice and spent week-ends at Banff Springs Hotel—altitude equal to the top of Ben Nevis—and at Jasper Park Lodge. Bears, elk and big horn sheep kindly showed themselves off. I visited Lake Louise. I spent some time with Dan McCowan, the famous naturalist of the Rockies at Banff. I saw more peaks than I can

remember, all in bright sunshine.

Of course I did many other things. I saw all the old Scouts I had meant to and met others I didn't know were in Canada, e.g. Jack Archer in Victoria; W. Meredith, D.Sc., in Winnipeg. I lived in another world, spacious and free.

I stayed with my old Scouts, met their friends, and was mothered by their wives. They showed me Niagara Falls, the Hydro Electric Station and other places, Montreal, Toronto, Hamilton, Vancouver, Quebec, houses built and building, and the country generally. I was at the Toronto Exhibition and was one of 25,000 listening to a gentleman called Jimmy Durante in the stadium! I was taken to visit Canadian Packers Ltd.—hogs going through, one each 1¼ seconds, and cattle at 90 an hour. Every man doing his same job again and again as the carcasses travelled past him.

Then in the long train journeys there were many interesting people to talk to. On one I had to stand up to the concentrated questioning on Britain, etc., by some 8 university students—young Canada, and good. In return two of them entertained me for an evening at Toronto University.

Also on the train and in hotels there were dishes to eat I had never heard of. So on principle I always ordered them. My first effort produced griddle cakes (pancakes), bacon and maple syrup on one plate—after that frog's legs were ordinary.

The kindness I received from everyone was overwhelming. The day of departure came round. The Montreal Scout Council gave me a second lunch, attended by some of the leading men in the Movement. At this I was presented with a cheque for 1200 dollars for Dumfriesshire Scouts from an anonymous donor.

At the Airport there was a Guard of Honour of 3 Scouts and a Scouter from the only kilted Troop in Montreal.

Flying at 23,000 ft. the Stratocruiser landed me at Prestwick in 9 hours and 20 minutes and my holiday was over. What a holiday. Thank you, Canada.

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Have You Made Plans for A Troop Camp in 1952?





## PLAN ACHIEVEMENT AWARD WINNERS 1951

From Coast to Coast in Canada, Packs, Troops, Crews, Group Committees and Ladies' Auxiliaries have put a great deal of enthusiastic effort into Plan Achievement. Although it is difficult to tabulate the results of this effort in a survey form it is possible to say that the game of Scouting in Canada has benefitted from the impetus given to it by this Plan. Here are some of the Units who have achieved their targets for 1951 and have been awarded the 1951 Special Award shown above. All Award winner's names will be published.

### Nova Scotia

1st Sydney Troop, 4th Sydney Troop, 5th Truro Pack, 1st Milford Station Pack, 2nd Kentville Pack and Troop, 3rd Kentville Troop, 4th Kentville Pack and Troop, 1st Lunenburg Pack, 1st Liverpool Troop, 1st Armdale Pack, 1st Shubenacadie Troop, 14th Halifax Troop, 18th Halifax Troop, 31st Halifax Troop, 21st Halifax Troop, 1st Sydney Pack, 13th Sydney Pack, 15th Sydney Pack, 19th Sydney Pack, 1st New Aberdeen Troop, 1st Glace Bay Troop.

### New Brunswick

19th St. James Pack, 7th Stone Church Pack, St. Paul's Troop, 1st Atholville Pack and Troop, 2nd Campbellton Pack and Troop, 3rd Campbellton Pack and Troop.

### Quebec

St. John the Divine, Verdun  
Shearith Israel, Montreal Pack, Iona, Montreal, Pack, St. Mark's and Gardenvale, Longueuil, Pack, 1st Shawinigan Falls Pack, Garden City, Mount Royal Pack, Mount Royal "A", Mount Royal Pack, Mount Royal "B", Mount Royal Pack, Mount Royal "C", Mount Royal Pack, Park Extension S.A., Montreal Pack and Troop, Holy Family "A", Montreal Pack, Holy Family "B", Montreal Pack, Croydon Troop, St. Peter's Mount Royal Troop, Barclay, Montreal Troop, St. Ignatius, Montreal North Troop, 1st Mount Royal Troop, 1st Grand'mere Troop, 1st Arvida Pack, Riverbend Pack, Snowdon Y.M.H.A. Montreal Pack, 2nd Kenogami Troop, 1st East Angus Pack, 3rd Sherbrooke Pack, 1st Chambly-Richelieu Pack and Troop, Storer, St. Lambert Pack and Troop, Croydon Pack, 1st Sorel Pack, 1st Windsor Pack,

Lakeside Pack and Troop, Lake St. Louis (Valois No. 1) Pack, Lake St. Louis (Valois No. 2) Pack, Strathmore Pack, Pointe Claire Pack, Nitro Pack, Beauharnois Pack, Knowlton Pack, Stanbridge East Pack, Granby Pack and Troop, 7th Sherbrooke Troop, 1st St. Johns Troop, St. Mark's and Gardenvale, Longueuil Troop, St. Barnabas, St. Lambert Troop, Springfield Park Troop, 1st Valleyfield Troop, 1st Bedford Troop, Hampstead, Montreal Troop, St. Matthew's, Montreal Troop.

2nd Rouyn (St. Bede's) Pack, 1st Lachute Troop, Rushbrooke, Montreal Pack, Woodlands, Montreal Pack, Crawford Park "A" Montreal Pack, Crawford Park "B" Montreal Pack, Bronx Park, Montreal Pack, Bannantyne, Montreal Pack, St. Clement's, Montreal Pack and Troop, Holy Cross, Montreal Pack and Troop, St. Aidan's, Montreal Pack, (St. Aidan's) Connaught, Montreal Pack, St. Willibrord's, Montreal Pack, St. John the Divine "A" Montreal Pack, St. John the Divine "B", Montreal Pack, Knox Crescent Kensington (Green), Montreal Pack, St. Saviour's, Montreal Pack, 1st Bryson Pack and Troop, 1st Shawville Pack and Troop, Trinity Memorial, Montreal Troop, Red Moose Crew, Montreal Crew, St. John the Divine, Verdun Troop, 1st Wakeham, Wakeham Troop.

### Ontario

2nd Belleville Pack and Troop, 8th Belleville Pack, 1st Belleville Troop, 4th Belleville Troop, 8th Galt Pack, 2nd Galt Pack and Troop, 5th Galt Pack, 1st Ayr Pack and Troop, 11th Galt Pack, 2nd Preston Pack and Troop, 1st Preston Troop, 7th Galt Troop, 6th Galt Crew, 12th Galt Troop,

1st Midland Pack and Troop, 2nd Midland "A" Pack, 2nd Midland "B" Pack, 2nd Midland Troop, 3rd Midland "B" Pack, 1st Oshawa "A" Pack and Troop, 1st Oshawa "B" Pack, 3rd Oshawa "A" Pack and Troop, 4th Oshawa Pack and Troop, 5th Oshawa Pack, 6th Oshawa Pack, 7th Oshawa "A" Pack and Troop, 7th Oshawa "B" Pack, 8th Oshawa "A" Pack and Troop, 8th Oshawa "B" Pack, 9th Oshawa Pack, 14th Oshawa Pack, 15th Oshawa Pack and Troop, 16th Oshawa Pack and Troop, 11th Oshawa Troop, 8th Oshawa Crew, 1st Pt. Dover (Sea Scout) Troop, 135th Toronto Troop, 89th Toronto Troop and Pack, 147th Toronto Pack and Troop, 184th Toronto Pack and Troop, 228th Toronto Pack, 135th Toronto Group Committee, 228th Toronto Group Committee, 184th Toronto Group Committee, 147th Toronto Group Committee.

1st Highland Creek Pack, 21st Livingston United (Hamilton) Pack, 36th St. Patrick's (Hamilton) Troop, 4th Kirkland Lake Troop, 6th Kirkland Lake Pack, 10th Kirkland Lake Pack, 11th Kirkland Lake Pack, 1st Dobie (Kirkland Lake) Pack, 68th Laidlaw United (Hamilton) Pack, 7th St. James Anglican (Hamilton) Pack, 3rd Grace Anglican (Hamilton) Troop, 31st Delta United (Hamilton) Troop.

The following are from Hamilton District: 15th MacNeill Mem. Pack, 19th St. Paul's Ang. Pack, 33rd Centenary United Pack and Troop, 41st Melrose United Pack and Troop, 43rd A. & B. Westdale United Packs, 47th St. John Evang. Pack, 50th St. Joseph R.C. Pack, 56th Hess St. School Pack and Troop, 3rd Grace Anglican Pack, 52nd Trinity Baptist Pack and Troop, 31st Delta United Pack, 40th St. Enoch's Pres.





Pack and Troop, 43rd Westdale United Troop, 39th St. Mary's R.C. Troop, 1st St. Paul's Dundas Pack and Troop, 2nd Dundas Knox Pres. Pack, 3rd Dundas St. James Ang. Pack, 2nd Aldershot Pack and Troop, 10th Ryerson United Pack and Troop, 23rd Bennette School Pack, 27th Adelaide Hoodless Pack and Troop, 16th New Westminster Pack and Troop, 27th St. David's Pres. Pack and Troop, 44th St. Giles United Pack and Troop, 28th St. John's Pres. Pack and Troop, 36th St. Patricks R.C. Pack and Troop, 12th Christ Church Cath. Troop.

The following are from Ottawa District: Parkdale United (15th) Troop, 32nd (St. Matthias) Troop, 36th (Glebe United) Troop, 44th (Overbrook) Troop, 45th (Rockcliffe Park) Troop, 57th (St. John's) Troop, 1st Aylmer, Que. Troop, 2nd Buckingham, Que. Troop, 38th (All Saints') Westboro "B" Pack, 52nd Toronto Crew, 66th Toronto Troop, 1st Sudbury Troop, 3rd Sudbury Troop, 10th Sudbury Troop, 1st Copper Cliff Troop, 2nd Coniston Pack and Troop, 1st Falconbridge Pack and Troop, 1st Lockerby Pack and Troop, 1st Garson Troop, 19th Toronto Troop, Rideau Lakes Community Pack

63rd "A" Toronto Pack, 63rd "B" Toronto Pack, 63rd Toronto Troop, Crew and Group Committee, 78th Toronto Pack and Troop, 84th Toronto Pack and Troop, 144th Toronto Troop, 186th Toronto Pack and Troop, 195th Toronto Troop, 230th Toronto Troop, 1st Lakeview Troop, 1st Lakeview "A" and "B" Packs, 3rd Lakeview Pack and Troop, 1st Alderwood Pack and Troop, 2nd Alderwood Pack, 1st Long Branch "A" and "B" Packs, 1st Long Branch Crew, 2nd Long Branch Pack, 3rd Long Branch Pack and Troop, 1st New Toronto "A" Pack and Troop, 1st New Toronto "B" Pack and Troop, 2nd New Toronto Pack, 3rd New Toronto Pack and Troop, 1st Mimico Pack and Troop and Crew, 2nd Mimico Pack, 3rd Mimico Pack and Troop, 4th Mimico Pack and Troop, 1st Humber Bay Pack and Troop, 2nd Humber Bay Pack, 3rd Humber Bay "A" and "B" Packs, 1st Etobicoke "A" and "B" Packs, 1st Etobicoke Sea Scout Troop, 1st New Toronto Crew, 1st Brockville Pack, 7th Timmins Troop and Pack, 2nd Timmins Pack, 6th Timmins Pack, 26th Chalmers Presbyterian (Hamilton) Pack and Troop, 40th Toronto Troop, 119th Toronto Pack, 177th Toronto Pack and Troop, 185th "A" Toronto Pack, 155th Toronto Pack, 165th "A" Toronto Troop, 220th Toronto Troop, 1st Newmarket Pack, 1st London Pack, 4th London Pack, 7th "A" London Pack, 7th "B" London

Pack, 9th London Pack, 11th "B" London Pack, 12th London Pack and Troop, 15th London Pack, 16th London Pack, 17th "B" London Pack, 20th London Pack, 22nd London Pack, 24th London Pack, 26th London Pack and Troop, 27th London Pack and Troop, 28th London Pack and Troop, 31st "A" London Pack, 38th London Pack, 42nd London Pack, 45th London Pack, 47th London Pack, 48th London Pack, 49th London Pack, 4th London Troop, 5th London Troop, 7th London Troop, 17th London Troop, 21st London Troop, 29th London Troop, 31st London Troop, 37th London Troop.

1st Almonte Troop, R.C.A.F. Group Trenton "A" Pack, R.C.A.F. Group Trenton "B" Pack, 1st Stirling Troop and Pack, 1st Wellington Pack and Troop, 1st Napanee Pack, 1st Trenton Pack, 64th Toronto Pack, 62nd Toronto Pack and Troop, 62nd Toronto "A" and "B" Crews, 1st Hardington Troop, 3rd Islington Pack, 2nd Malton Troop, 4th Weston Troop and Pack, 1st Humber Heights Pack, 1st Eatonville Pack, 1st Weston Pack, Troop and Crew, 1st Islington Pack, 1st Humberview Pack and Troop, 11th Kitchener "B" Pack, 15th Kitchener Pack, 19th Kitchener Pack, 5th Waterloo Pack, 1st Bridgeport Pack, 11th Kitchener Troop, 12th Kitchener Troop, New Hamburg Troop, 3rd Waterloo Troop, 2nd Niagara Falls Pack and Troop, 3rd Niagara Falls Pack and Troop, 8th Niagara Falls Pack and Troop, 1st Stamford "A" and "B" Pack, 1st Stamford Troop, 1st Niagara Falls Troop, 1st Richvale Pack, 1st Thornhill Pack, 3rd Willowdale "A" Pack, 1st Brampton Pack, 2nd Brampton Pack, 3rd Brampton Pack, 1st Inglewood Pack, 1st Streetsville Pack, 3rd Brantford Pack, 17th Brantford Pack, 1st Blenheim Troop, 1st Centralia (R.C.A.F.) Pack, 1st St. Thomas Pack and Troop, 5th St. Thomas Pack and Troop, 7th St. Thomas Pack, 8th St. Thomas Pack, 183rd Toronto Pack, 201st Toronto Pack, 60th Toronto Troop, 112th Toronto Troop, 197th Toronto Troop, 1st Grand Valley Pack, 1st Wheatley Pack, 1st Essex Troop.

### Alberta

6th Calgary (Wontolla) Pack, 34th Calgary Troop, 6th Calgary Troop, 28th Edmonton Troop, 1st Macleod Pack, 39th Edmonton Pack, 18th Calgary Troop.

### British Columbia

1st Duncan "B" Pack, 1st Williams Lake Troop, 1st Prince George Troop, 2nd Prince George Troop, 1st Vernon Pack and Troop, 2nd Vernon Pack and Troop, 3rd Vernon "A" Pack, 3rd Vernon "B" Pack, 4th Vernon (All Saints) Pack, 3rd Vernon Troop, 1st Bamfield Pack, 1st Ucluelet Pack and Troop, 1st Harrison Hot Springs Pack and Troop, 2nd Britannia Beach Pack and Troop, 1st Woodfibre Pack, 1st Ganges Pack, 1st Britannia Beach Pack and Troop, 2nd Terrace Pack, 1st Fort St. James Pack and Troop, 1st Ashcroft Pack, 1st Buffalo Creek Troop, 1st Lytton Troop, 1st Lillooet Troop, 1st Esquimalt "A" and "B" Packs, 1st McBride Pack, 3rd Kamloops Pack, 1st Kamloops Pack and Troop, 1st Osoyoos

(Okanagan Boundary District) Pack and Troop, 1st Dalhousie, N.B. Troop.

The following are from Victoria District: Belmont, Victoria Pack, 2nd Cathedral, Victoria Pack and Troop, Cadoro Bay Pack, Colwood Pack and Troop, Deep Cove Pack and Troop, Elks Own "A" Pack, Elks Own "B" Pack, Fairfield "A" Pack, Fairfield "B" Pack, Fairfield "C" Pack, Mari-gold Pack, James Island Pack, Metchosin Pack and Troop, Mt. Tolmie "B" Pack, N. Quadra "A" Pack, Oak Bay "A" Pack, Oak Bay "B" Pack, Oak Bay "C" Pack, Oak Bay "D" Pack, Parkdale "A" Pack, Parkdale "B" Pack, Saanichton Pack, St. Saviours Pack, St. Louis College Pack and Troop, St. Johns Pack, Sooke Pack, Sidney "A" Pack, Tillicum Pack and Troop, University School Pack and Troop, View Royal Pack, Willows Pack, Esquimalt Troop, Gorge Vale Troop, James Bay Troop, Luxton Troop, N: Quadra Troop, Oak Bay "B" (Cougars) Troop, Parkdale Troop, View Royal Troop, Fairfield Crew, Victoria Lions Own Crew, 10th New Westminster Pack, 2nd Langley Pack, 1st Otter Pack and Troop, 1st Milner Pack, 1st Langley Troop, 1st Murrayville Troop, 2nd Arrowsmith "A" Pack, 2nd Arrowsmith "B" Pack, 1st Arrowsmith "A" Pack, 1st Arrowsmith "B" Pack, 1st Arrowsmith "C" Pack, 5th Port Alberni Pack and Troop, Great Central Lake Pack, 1st Arrowsmith Troop, 2nd Arrowsmith Troop, 4th Port Alberni Troop.

Vancouver District Centre: 8th Augustana Lutheran Pack, 8th Augustana Lutheran Pack, 12th Christ Church Pack, 32nd International "Y" Pack and Troop, 50th St. Giles United Pack and Troop, 51st St. Michaels "A" Pack and Troop, 51st St. Michaels "B" Pack, 70th Vancouver Temple Pack, Dunbar-Point Grey: 16th Canadian Legion "A" Pack, 16th Canadian Legion "B" Pack, 31st St. Phillips Mowgli Pack, 31st St. Phillips Soan-ge-taha Pack, 31st St. Phillips Dinizulu Pack, 34th St. Georges "A" Pack, 34th St. Georges "B" Pack, 41st Dunbar-Pt. Grey United "A" Pack, 41st Dunbar-Pt. Grey United "B" Pack, 85th School for Deaf and Blind Pack and Troop, 89th Kerrisdale Annex Pack, 25th Dunbar Hts. United "Hathi" Pack. East: 24th St. Margaret's Pack, 26th St. Saviours Pack, 94th Zion United Pack. Fraser: 3rd River-view Pack and Troop, 45th "A" Pack, 17th "A" Pack, 82nd Sunset Memorial Pack, 17th St. Lukes "A" Pack. Kitsilano-Fairview: 18th St. Stephen's United Pack, 22nd Canadian Memorial "A" Pack, 22nd Canadian Memorial "B" Pack, 22nd Canadian Memorial "C" Pack, 35th Community Pack, 48th St. James United "A" Pack, 48th St. James United "B" Pack, 53rd Central Christian "A" Pack, 53rd Central Christian "B" Pack, 90th Community Pack and Troop, 38th Holy Trinity Pack. North Vancouver: 4th North Pack, 5th North Pack and Troop, 6th North "A" Pack, 6th North "B" Pack, 7th North "B" Pack and Troop, 8th North Pack, 11th North "B" Pack and Troop, 12th North "A" Pack and Troop, 13th North Pack and Troop. Richmond: 4th Richmond Pack and Troop, 6th Richmond Pack and Troop, 8th Richmond Pack and Troop, 9th





Richmond Pack. West: 1st St. Stephen's Pack and Troop, 2nd Legionaires (St. George) Pack and Troop, 2nd Legionaires (St. Patrick) Pack, 3rd United Church Pack, 4th St. Francis in the Wood Pack, 7th St. Christopher's Pack, 5th Lions Pack. Centre: 33rd Shamrocks Troop. Dunbar-Point Grey: 16th Canadian Legion Troop, 31st St. Phillips Troop, 34th St. Georges Troop, 41st Dunbar-Pt. Grey United Troop. Fraser: 45th Windsor United Troop, 62nd St. Peters Troop, 82nd Sunset Memorial Troop. Kitsilano-Fairview: 18th Skookum Troop, 48th St. James United Troop. Southeast: 7th Lions Troop, 56th St. Margarets Troop, 57th St. Mathews Troop.

**Saskatchewan**

1st Milden Troop, 14th Moose Jaw Pack, 2nd Regina Troop, 5th Regina Pack, 6th Regina Pack and Troop, 7th Regina Pack, 10th Regina Pack, 12th Regina Pack, 1st Saskatoon Pack and Troop, 9th Saskatoon Troop, 11th Saskatoon Pack, 13th Saskatoon Pack, 24th Saskatoon Troop, 2nd Swift Current Troop, 1st Whitewood Troop, 1st Yorkton Troop.

**Further Lists**

All units who hit their 1951 targets are urged to contact their District Commissioner or Provincial Commissioner, as the case may be, so that they will receive the Special Award.

All Award winners will be listed in *The Scout Leader* as they are received.

**What About 1952?**

Targets for 1952 should now be set and a copy of each Unit's aims sent to The District Commissioner or Provincial Commissioner. In this way it will be possible for your Headquarters to give you assistance where necessary and at the same time provide them with a picture of each Province's targets.

Bring the Group Committee and Ladies' Auxiliary into your planning round table and urge them to take part. Let's make 1952 a banner year in the Plan.

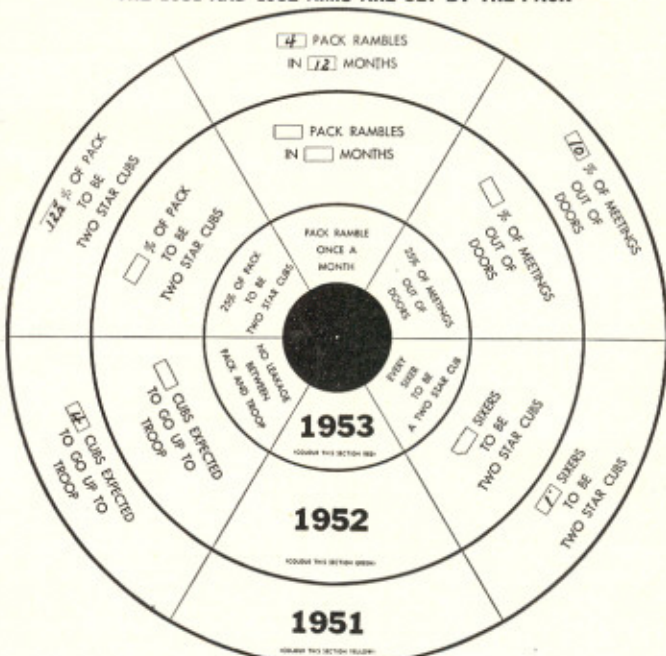
**PLAN ACHIEVEMENT TARGETS**

The target forms illustrated at right are available from your provincial Headquarters. These target forms and the booklet outlining Plan Achievement plans were designed to assist you and may be had for the asking.

**PLAN ACHIEVEMENT TARGET**

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1951-1952-1953

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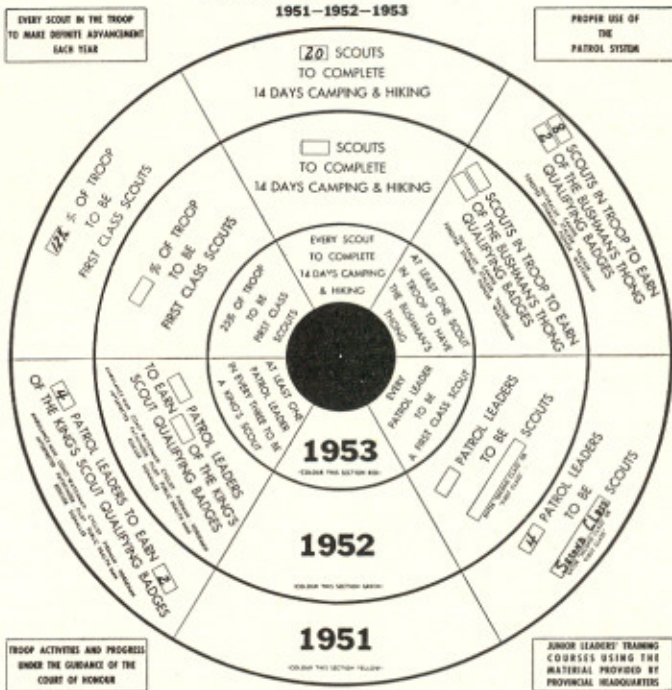
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**PLAN ACHIEVEMENT TARGET**

45 CANADIAN TROOP  
1951-1952-1953



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# AKELA'S DEN

## DUTY TO GOD IN THE LIFE OF THE PACK

THE following is a rather interesting reply to the question which appears in the Correspondence Course studies. **HOW WOULD YOU BRING DUTY TO GOD INTO THE LIFE OF THE PACK?**

One's "Duty to God" ought not to be a separate thing from daily life, and, therefore should not be dealt with as a separate subject. There are, however, certain duties which can be given special emphasis in speaking of this part of the Cub programme.

I would, in teaching the Cub Promise, make a special point of the Cub's Duty to God, giving a simple explanation of who God is and what our debts are to him. Cubs should be made to realize that there is no line to draw between natural and religious duties. "Whether, therefore, ye eat or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the Glory of God".

"The Cubmaster should check on what boys are doing in Sunday School and Church and should impress on them that Public Worship once a Sunday is the duty of every Christian whether they go oftener is a matter of choice, but less no one can do without failing in his or her duty."

"I find that Cubs must often be told what to think or do during Cub Silence. I don't blame anyone—sometimes little boys find it very difficult to comprehend the idea of God. For this reason a sympathetic Pack Chaplain is a necessity and it is a highly desirable situation if Akela could also be the teacher of the Cubs in the Church School."

"Changes in habits and ideas are wrought by example of Akela and all the other old Wolves, and of the boys themselves. Many years ago a thorough change was worked in a school by the courage of one little boy. He came fresh from home, where he had been accustomed to say his prayers. He knelt down in a school dormitory, as

he had been used to doing at home, by his bedside. There was a sudden silence, the boys were astonished. Then some began to bully and try to stop him; others stood up for him. But the battle was won. The better minded boys saw what cowards they had been to give up what they knew was right for fear of chaff—one by one they gradually followed his example, and before that lad left school it was the rule and not the exception for the boys to say their prayers."

"The Cubmaster should beware of confusing God and Nature. One must also beware of making Cubbing the prime spiritual thing. It is intended merely to be a help to the home and the Church, but a help it must be or it is a hindrance."

"It can be a help by the recognition of God in prayer at meetings. I have found it stimulating for the boys to give points for Church and Sunday School attendance. In the matter of Church Parades, I think that it is good to give this sort of special emphasis on Church once in awhile. In this respect, however, the boys must not be compelled to go to church, particularly, if the Church is not of the particular denomination of some of the Cubs."

"Above all, the Cub must always be impressed with the fact, that unless he is loyal to God, he cannot be loyal to himself or his fellows."

### Bounty on Wolf Cubs

This is not to be construed as a new method of making money for Scouting. At a Conservation meeting at Sudbury, Ont., recently, the increase of wolf population in the area was viewed with some alarm. The conference passed a resolution urging the government to pay, in addition to the present bounty of \$25 on each wolf killed, a bounty also of \$25 on each Wolf Cub head turned in to the local game warden.



This is the hand carved oak plaque made for presentation to The Earl Alexander, former Chief Scout for Canada, in recognition of his services to Canadian Scouting.

### A Prayer

*A Prayer by the late Dr. Cody entitled "Boy Scouts." This was used as a Dedication Prayer at the opening of the Toronto Metropolitan Area Headquarters.*

O Thou Lord of Love and wisdom, who has called us to remember Thee in the days of youth, we thank Thee that Thou hast put into the hearts of so many to provide this house as the centre of influence and guidance for the boys of this community. Bless the donors and their substance, and the good work which finds its home in this place. This house we now dedicate to Thy glory and the service of the Boy Scouts of this area. Send Thy blessing, we beseech Thee upon the Chief Scout of this Dominion, the Deputy Chief, the Chief Executive Commissioner and all officers and leaders. Especially do we commit to Thy care and keeping the lads of the Boy Scouts Association in this district and in this Dominion. Grant that they may grow in health, helpfulness and happiness, in honour, self-reliance and spirit of adventure so that prepared as citizens of this land they may make knowledge, wisdom and character to be the stability of our times. Help us who are older to link ourselves to this good cause and to spend our lives for something that outlasts our days on earth. Whatsoever things are true, honourable, just, pure, lovely and of good report, help us both to do and to help others to do. We ask all in the name of Him who on earth went about doing good, Thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, Amen.



## APRIL PACK MEETINGS

SPRING is on its way and as you plan the Pack meetings for April, it was thought you might like one or two suggestions. The most important thing to remember is that Cubs want to be outdoors as much as possible. Here is an opportunity to build toward the outdoor targets in your Plan Achievement planning and, what is more important, give the boys an appreciation of the wonders of the nature we all take for granted. Here, then, are a few ideas you might like to think about:

### Pack Rambles

Each ramble should have a definite objective: Finding many varieties of wild flowers, without picking them; examining the various stages in the development of a new leaf; bird spotting, and so forth. The Ramble should be fun and a competition game between

Sixes for points or a few chocolate bars, always adds to the day's outing.

### St. George's Day—April 23rd

Here is an opportunity for a Parent's Night at which the Pack might act out the story of St. George—the Patron Saint of Scouting. If this is not possible, then the boys should hear the story of St. George. Ask your school or Public Librarian for selected reading, but tell the story, don't read it.

### Spring Clean-Up

Mothers all over the country are planning their Spring Clean-Up programmes and Cubs should be encouraged to help at home. There is also an opportunity for a Pack Good Turn by assisting the Troop with Headquarters clean-up, or if there is no Troop, then it's up to the Pack. Your Sponsors will appreciate the gesture.

### Visit Another Pack

Cubs like to see other boys doing the same thing they are and both boys and Scouters will learn a great deal from exchange visits. Keep the competition to a minimum and leave time for the boys to talk to one another.

### Visit from Committeemen

Ask the Group Committee to visit the Pack and then assign them to various Sixes to instruct in Star Tests. Be sure each Committeeman has a copy of P.O. & R. or other book to assist him in knowing the requirements.

There are only five suggestions here, but when they are blended with yours, April will be a thrilling month for your Pack. Every meeting will be crammed with Adventure and it will really be Spring for your outfit.

## BAMFIELD ADVENTURE

By DON SCHUTZ

BAMFIELD, population of about 350, is a small fishing village on the West Coast of Vancouver Island. It is also the terminal of the Pacific submarine cables, laid fifty years ago to link up communication with Australia and New Zealand. Three years ago its first hotel was built and one year ago the reflection of its first Neon sign glimmered across the water of the inlet. It was only four days before Christmas when this hotel, valued at \$50,000, was burned to the ground, the occupants escaping with only their night attire—all except eleven year-old Cub 'Butchie' Patterson—he jumped from the third floor, fully dressed!

It all started about 2 a.m. when Butch awoke and smelled smoke in his room. He promptly wakened one of the boarders who dashed downstairs to investigate and was met with a burst of flames as he opened the lower hall door; pushing on through this he aroused all in the building and got out to safety. But Butchie was trapped upstairs alone, while his mother was frantic with fear for him below. The manager of the hotel tried desperately to climb the stairway but only succeeded in getting severely burned. He

then rushed outside and called Butch to the window. Meanwhile, Butch told us later, he saw his Cub book on the bureau and remembered what Akela had told the Pack about keeping calm, so he closed his door tightly, got dressed, then waited at the closed window until someone appeared. His door began to rattle furiously as the pressure built up in the hall-way so he pushed the bureau against it then kicked out the tightly closed window and climbed on to the narrow ledge outside. The manager was there now holding out shaking arms and calling to Butch to jump but again his Cubbing came to Butch and he yelled back "Calm down, Akela said you have to keep calm, when you quit shaking I'll jump." Then, when ready, he leapt and was safely caught, unharmed.

Within a few minutes many people had joined in the fight to save what they could from within and the men from the Cable Station had rushed across the inlet with the Company's power pump to douse the flames and protect the nearby Post Office where the shingles were already beginning to curl up. 'Put the hose over there' shouted the manager, 'there's \$300 cash

in the pockets of those trousers!' but the trousers and cash burned with everything else and only some fittings from the far end Coffee Shop were saved.

At 6 a.m. some of the fire fighters went home to snatch an hour's sleep before going to work for the day; others sat around a cup of coffee and postmortemed the excitement of the past four hours; and for many days after as details of the fire spread, the story of how Butchie saw his Cub book and while surrounded by flames, told his 'Old Wolves' to 'keep calm, Akela said you have to keep calm' was the highlight of it all.

Mrs. Patterson is convinced that Butchie's Cub training probably saved his life.

Parents and other members of the Community have been fulsome in their praise for the Cub programme and a new wave of enthusiasm for the whole Scout Movement has swept the Community.

As for Akela, himself, he realizes he may never again see such dramatic proof of the success of his work but this one incident alone makes a lifetime of Cubbing worthwhile.





# PLAN ACHIEVEMENT

The first year of Plan Achievement has been a success with many units taking part in building toward a stronger Movement in Canada. Naturally several questions have presented themselves and *The Scout Leader* has answered some of these in previous issues and presents four more which might have puzzled you as plans were being drawn up and targets checked. We should be happy to answer any and all questions about the Plan and invite your comments. We can all gain more from Scouting by working together and sharing our knowledge, so let's hear from you and your Assistants on how Plan Achievement was implemented in your Unit or Group.

**Question:** We have just organized a new Pack in our District. Are we entitled to the 1951 Award if we set targets on a three year plan to end July 1953?

**Answer:** (a) The plan calls for the 1951 Targets to be achieved by the end of 1951. Therefore, a Pack, newly organized in 1952, cannot possibly qualify for a 1951 award.

(b) From your question it would seem that you have in mind, condensing a "three year plan" into less than a year and a half. It is suggested that the new Pack, Troop or Crew plan ahead for the balance of the current year, setting themselves targets possible of

achievement by the year's end. These targets should be submitted to the District Commissioner, or where there is no D.C., to the Provincial Commissioner, for his approval or recommendations.

At the end of the year the Plan should be reviewed on the basis of whether the 1952 targets were achieved or otherwise, new targets should be set which should be possible of attainment by the time of the Second Canadian Jamboree, in July. This will mean that the 1953 targets set down in the printed edition of Plan Achievement would not apply to Packs, Troops and Crews newly organized in 1952.

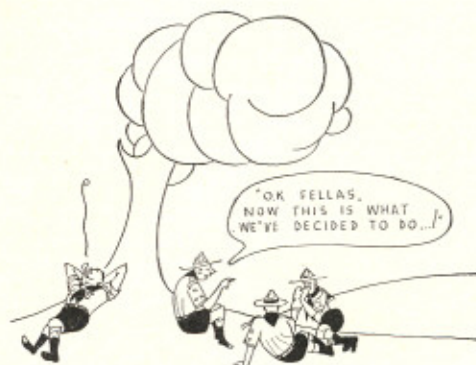
**This ruling is not applicable to Sections organized prior to 1952.**

The important thing to remember is that targets should be *progressive* but at the same time within *possible* reach of all concerned.

**Question:** Now that the first returns are in showing applications for 1951 Awards, can you say how effective the Plan has been?

**Answer:** Generally speaking, Plan Achievement has proved and is proving useful to Canadian Scouting. We submit that the number of Awards applied for is no indication of effectiveness. For instance many Groups or Sections have not qualified for Awards

## PLAN ACHIEVEMENT



**Scout Targets:** . . . Troop activities and progress under the guidance of the Court of Honour.



**Cub Targets:** . . . Imaginative interpretation of the Wolf Cub programme.



**Progress:** . . . Every Scout in the Troop to make definite advancement each year.



# IT QUESTIONNAIRE



simply because they did not achieve all their aims, which may quite possibly be the result of setting their Targets too high. Should all their aims have been completed except for one, or even two, the Plan has merit in that it points up the specific weakness within that particular Section. Indications are that the Plan has been and continues to be a useful "blueprint" to which many Packs, Troops and Crews are building.

*Question:* We have just set our 1952 Targets this month (March) and would like to know if these should be completed by March 1953 or December 1952?

*Answer:* Your aims should be achieved by the end of December 1952. Should your unit have set Targets to be completed within twelve months it may be necessary to scale down your aims so that they may be reached within the balance of the year remaining.

*Question:* Like some others we did not get away fast enough in

1951 and so failed to meet our Targets. Can we still qualify for a 1952 Plan Achievement Award by reaching our 1952 objectives?

*Answer:* By all means. It should be remembered that already 25% of 1952 has gone and that this should be taken into consideration when setting your aims for 1952.

In every instance when setting Targets two factors must be considered:

- (a) The potentiality of the Unit.
- (b) The time involved.

*Question:* We have received our 1951 award and would like to know where it should be placed?

*Answer:* The 1951 Plan Achievement award is worn on the Unit Flag next to the hoist side. 1952 and 1953 awards will be sewn on directly under the 1951 award and evenly spaced on the flag. All other crests should be worn in the fly of the flag.

*Question:* Is it possible for Group Committees and Ladies' Auxiliaries to qualify for a Plan Achievement

award? If so where may I find a suggested list of Targets?

*Answer:* Yes indeed, Group Committees and Ladies' Auxiliaries may qualify for the award. Suggested targets may be found on pages 13 and 14 of the printed Plan Achievement booklet. Your Provincial or District Headquarters will be happy to provide copies upon request. Several 1951 awards have been made to Group Committees and Ladies' Auxiliaries.

### FINALLY . . . .

It is most important that each boy and Scouter be encouraged to set individual targets to be attained within the target year. In this way the Unit and Group will be sure that the ultimate object of the Plan can be realized.

Plan Achievement should be a personal challenge and it is the duty of every Scouter to introduce it to his Unit and encourage each individual to contribute to the greater strength of the Movement in our country.

## ENT ILLUSTRATED

Jack Akroyd



**Rover Targets:** . . . Every Crew will participate in at least one adventurous activity in each of the four seasons.



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## What We Learned From The Camp Survey

By E. F. MILLS

*Executive Commissioner for Training, Canadian Headquarters  
and Canadian Camp Chief*

Here's what some of the Scouts who went to camp last year tell us about our programme. Most of the survey forms were returned and were fairly complete in their answers. The most important conclusion is that boys like Scout camping and want more of it. Have you planned a Troop Camp for 1952?

THE answers received in connection with the Camp Survey indicate that generally speaking our camping is satisfactory.

We could write this article in terms of percentages, but we are not entirely convinced that the figures would present a true picture so we will deal with trends instead.

The age groupings showed boys in camp were equally divided over a spread of ages from twelve to fifteen and over, which, we submit, indicates that if we give boys real out-of-doors Scouting, there will be little or no problem in holding them.

Most of the boys stated that more than half of their Troops were in camp and about half were with their own Patrols. This trend towards retaining Troop and Patrol identity is commendable. The ideal is to transfer the entire Troop as it stands from the Troop Headquarters to camp, so that the organization which has been built up can be utilized. The closer we can get to this ideal, the better will be our camping.

The desirability of having the boys medically examined before going to camp did not seem to be fully realized. It is a safety precaution as well as protection for Scouts and Scouters. This simple routine should be followed. Insurance alone is not enough.

In most cases there was a good distribution of Scouters to Scouts, the usual being one Scouter to every 10-12 boys. The responsibility of running a Scout camp is too great for any one man to shoulder and the few Scouters who were shown as having one Scouter to 25-30 Scouts were courting disaster.

It is interesting to record that most of the Troops had Patrols of from 6 to 8 boys. The size of Patrols effects a camp more than is sometimes realized. If a Patrol is too small, there are not enough hands to do the ordinary camp chores and on the other hand, if a Patrol is too large there is resultant crowded living conditions and so many people to do the work that they get in each other's way.

About half of the answers showed that Troops were using different camp sites than those used the previous year. It is debatable whether or not it is a good thing to return to the same site year after year. Using the same place year after year, saves some work and makes planning easier, but occupying the same site every year, pioneering in the same spot, playing wide games over the same terrain, is all liable to be somewhat boring after two or three times. Changing location affords more adventure and is better training for the Patrol Leaders.

The matter of Patrol equipment needs attention. We listed as essentials an axe, cooking equipment, first aid equipment, rope and binder or bailer twine. Yet, there were some lads who indicated that they did not have even half of those bare essentials. It is obviously unfair to expect Patrol camp-

ing if equipment is not provided and proper storage boxes made available. This is a point which needs attention!

There should be more Troops using Patrol cooking. There is not time or space at this juncture to write a treatise on the merits of Patrol cooking. Suffice to say that Scouters who have used Patrol cooking would never return to central cooking.

There were some who used lean-to shelters and others who slept outside under the stars for some period of their camp, but more should be encouraged to enjoy this experience. The wall tent retains its popularity.

Gadgets were used to some extent but when we find some boys reporting only three or four made and actually used, it appears that more use should be made of the unique opportunity that camp affords for this activity.

Daily inspection of Patrols and Patrol sites are the general rule which indicates that Scouters make full use of this valuable training practice. It is also quite general that the inspections are thorough so we may assume that among the items receiving attention would be cleanliness, sanitation and neatness.

Judicious use of Patrol competition and the appointment of a Duty Patrol



To start off the regular meeting of the Montreal, Que., District Council on a cheerful and lively note, Sea Scouts piped the President and his Executive "aboard" and then presented a ten-minute demonstration of Sea Scout tests. To end the meeting the boys then challenged their supporters to a tug of war.



each day was fairly universal.

As might be expected, swimming was one of the most popular activities. The trend was overwhelmingly in the direction of proper safety precautions, but a very small number indicated that little or no precautions had been established.

Some had the safety picket partly on shore and partly in a boat, others had them in a boat only. Some parked the picket on shore only. The combination of shore and boat is the best arrangement, and was the routine most favoured. The "buddy" system did not seem to be used as extensively as it might be. It is distressing that in spite of P.O. & R. and warnings galore, there should be even a very small number who ignore the safety measures advocated. Where swimming is concerned, one cannot be too careful.

It was gratifying to see that every boy reported that religious observances were held daily. This is as it should be.

Campfire and Night Scouting schemes were popular. The campfire provides romance and night Scouting adventure, all of which is necessary for successful camping.

Another indication of good camping was that practically everyone reported having had the usual rest hour.

In connection with Tests and Badges, the trend was towards those which normally fit into camp routine. Test for badges such as Artist, Electrician, Citizen, Interpreter, Missioner and Dairyman do not fit into the camp picture. Yet, a few lads reported having qualified for them in camp.

A good balance between Scouting and Athletics was maintained, pioneering, nature study, boating, tracking, etc., were all practiced and the reports demonstrated the high popularity of these activities.

Athletics have a place in Scout camping. It was most satisfactory to note that while there had been athletic events, Scouting was not sacrificed in their favour.

Rainy day activities were listed in about equal proportion between outdoors and indoors. But one can sympathize with the few boys who listed, fooled around, played cards, slept, talked, and traded as their rainy day programmes. Imaginative Scouters provided canoeing, swimming, water sports, gadget making, singing, carving, log writing, quiz contests, etc.

That the boys enjoyed their camping was quite evident and that they were satisfied with the food was equally apparent.

Half of the boys stated that they had camped with other organizations and of these, practically all said they preferred Scout camping.

Mention was made about the suitability of the camp site. It was evident that Scouts are more critical of camp sites than is sometimes realized.

Some objections were: too near homes and stores; not enough room; too hilly and rocky; and one lad asked that we insist on all camp sites being left clean and tidy.

Adverse criticism was levelled at poor tents and inadequate cooking equipment.

The reaction to Scouters was most encouraging. Very few complaints were made. Some went so far as to say that they had the PERFECT SCOUTMASTER.

It is difficult to imagine any Scoutmaster, perfect or otherwise, imposing discipline through such media as "writing lines" or "padding", yet they were mentioned.

Again in spite of P.O. & R. and repeated warnings, there were instances of tent raiding. It was not at all common, being mentioned only two times, but even that is too often. Tent raiding is poor Scouting.

Pests and dislikes covered a wide range from rain to flies and mosquitoes, and from poison ivy to skunks. Some of the boys did not like visitors.

There was one objection to special camp initiation. This may be quite valid. We have been told of some exceedingly stupid so-called initiations

which bordered on hazing. This is a practice as much to be deprecated as tent raiding.

As might be expected, many lads listed dish washing as being the least desirable of camp chores, but who likes dish washing anyway?

While swimming and other water sports were high on the popularity list, there was also mention of sports and games with wide games receiving special mention. Some liked nature study, others did not; the same is true of signalling and handicrafts. An interesting reaction was that there were some who liked learning to be self-reliant.

Limitation of space forbids as complete a report as we would like to make, but we have given the main features arising from the survey.

We set out to discover from the boys themselves what kind of camping was being practiced and how it appealed to them.

On the whole the information received indicates a favourable reaction. There are some instances of poor techniques and a lack of adequate precaution, and it is hoped that Scouters will take heed where necessary.

One thing that is certain is that the boys appreciate good organization and that most of them know what Scout camp should be like.

We must not adopt the attitude that what we plan, the boys ought to enjoy. A great deal depends on how we present our schemes. B.-P.'s genius lay not so much in what he planned as in the manner of his presentation.



April 23rd is St. George's Day and therefore holds special honour with Rover Scouts. This would be a good day for the Pack or Troop to visit the Crew or vice versa.





# ROVER QUESTS

## ROVER RAMBLING

By C. NORMAN BELL

*Assistant Rover Commissioner, West Toronto, Ont.*

**Here is the fourth in the series of papers presented at the First Canadian Rover Moot. Rambling was a well attended session and the discussion following Mr. Bell's paper was stimulating.**



I AM interested in rambling. That is the way my bent goes. Even after the number of years I have spent enjoying the wonders of the out-of-doors I still have to look up latin names in a text book every time I need to recall one. My rambling has been simply a prowling around the common woods and fields and creeks, having a look into a woodchuck burrow, the activities of the birds or the forest folk, and writing down the things I see and the things I feel.

Why do I like rambling? There comes to mind the words of an old naturalist long ago, talking about his love for watching birds and animals: "They are our childhood come back to us, all instinct and joy and adventure".

I heard of a man who was a painter. At least when he vanished into the outdoors he had canvases and brushes and things in a knapsack; and when he came home again he would have pictures to show—sketches of a country creek, winding among sun dappled alders, paintings of an old barn with swallows flying around it and the cattle coming home. The pictures may or may not have had much merit. I do not know. But they served his purpose; they let him go scuffling through the autumn leaves, listening to the white-throats; they let him go tramping through the blue whiteness of the snow, breathing balsam scent and hearing chickadees call; they let him spend his leisure hours doing things like this, and responding to them with a spiritual and sensory eagerness that is the birth-right of boyhood and that he never wanted to surrender.

The Chief Scout has stated that "Rovering is a Brotherhood of the open air". If we, as Rovers, are to carry out this purpose of our branch of the Scout Movement, there must be more and more interest developed in the out-of-doors, an urge to see new things, adventure into strange places and know the wild lore of the field,

stream, and wood.

Of the three million boys and girls who will live in camps, among the trees, the wild flowers, the birds and mammals, in five thousand camps throughout North America this year, how many of them will become so familiar with the beauties of nature that they will learn to appreciate them. It is a well known fact that camp experiences, or hiking in the country, is no guarantee of an interest in nature. It is our problem as to how to get Rovers to become so aware of their environment that they will learn to love it.

The idea of rambling begins in the Crew and will go on growing in breadth and depth throughout the Rover's life. All that is needed is one who loves nature and can enter sympathetically into the Squire's or Rover's sense of wonder and excitement of discovery. This source of wonder and excitement is not found indoors, be it flower, or bird, or beast; it is some living creature met in its native woodland or wayside haunt, alive and happy in the midst of a goodly company of other living animals and plant life.

This development, I think, should start when the Squire first enters the Crew, by fostering his interest in an appreciation for natural beauty, the ability to care for himself in the open, and an enlightened attitude towards the conservation of our natural resources. Towards this end the Rover Leader and the older Rover, by their own enthusiasm and example and by a judicious use of the natural interests of the Rover, can arouse the initial interest in hiking and rambling.

"Hikes" and "Rambles" are not always one and the same thing. We are apt to think of hikes as rather long, vigorous walks in which the fun of exploring new places, of getting there and back, and perhaps cooking a meal, are the high points. In rambling, the joy of walking is there too, but the

exploring includes a more conscious consideration of the trees, flowers, birds, and animals along the way. Thus a ramble is apt to move more slowly and the distance travelled shorter. The further and faster you go the less time there is really to see what you are passing.

We all want to be successful in our ramblings. This doesn't just happen—it will be the result of planning, of knowledge, and the application of ourselves towards a goal.

During the season Joe usually managed to bring home his limit in large-mouth bass. In the late fall, his front fender would be draped with a ten-point buck, and when he was in his Rover uniform, if one looked closely, one would find that he had won his Rambler's Badge. Joe was the envy of a lot of his pals.

But Joe wasn't just lucky. He studied his fishing water and knew where the deep holes were, and which lure would "produce" on a misty morning. He took careful pains in sighting in his new scope, and used a load with the right punch for a long shot. And so with his rambling, he methodically recorded his excursions into the wonders of nature and the activities of the forest folk, giving himself a permanent record of his experiences.

Rambling seeks more than that the adventurer bring home "specimens" or learn the names of ten trees or birds. It gathers many varied experiences together to create a feeling of enjoyment. It reveals something of the order, bigness, complexity, and majesty of the world of nature.

To participate in this we must, of necessity, learn to take care of ourselves out-of-doors. The planning of meals, the selection of equipment, the building of fires and the care of our camp-site. Experiments along these lines can be done on short day rambles followed by indoor discussion. Ideas produced should be tested on a subsequent ramble.

Map reading—the meaning of conventional signs, scales, contours and the practice of seeing solids from the flat surface of a topographical map. For practice in this, take imaginary hikes on maps and describe hike as you travel.

Plenty of outdoor experience in all seasons should turn these camping skills into habits.

And finally, as a regular part of your equipment, when you are on a ramble, carry a note book and pencil. Take these with you every time; for it is a great pity not to keep a record of



every hike. Write down everything of interest to the observer, and try to do little sketches, however feeble they may be, to illustrate it. If you cannot do anything else, remember that a few match-stick figures will remind you more vividly of things happened than many pages of writing. If you take a camera along you can make a most interesting record of your various rambles. The memory is an elusive feature, and unrecorded details are soon forgotten.

From the rambles you record, the best can be selected to go into your "Rambler's Log" for the Rambler's Badge.

The question often arises, what shall I put into my Log. Does it have to be all on one subject? The answer is no. But one must have a definite objective for the ramble. The world of nature is far too comprehensive to try to absorb all at once, so limit the field of your interests. This can be done by selecting a specific kind of trip or goal, such as the beach, marsh, or lake to explore.

Vary your rambles to hills and woods by plotting your course to other places—to beach and sand dunes, along a stream or on the shore of a lake, through a marsh or swamp, or down a country lane, between meadows, orchards and fields. Or, if it is impossible to go so far afield, plan trips in a city park, a vacant lot, or even in the neighboring streets. In all these places there is much to see.

Whatever the habitat you visit, make a general survey of the natural history of the region, as well as concentrating on some particular phase, such as insect life, birds, or trees. Note the general type of vegetation and how it is adapted to the environment in which it lives—in marsh, on the shore, in meadowland, or wood. Above all, stress the need of preserving this wild life.

There is no standard method of preparing your Rambler's Log, nor is it desirable that there should be. From the beginning select a standard size paper of good quality. A small loose-leaf book, preferably with blank paper, is suitable. This makes it easier for filing or binding.

All writing or printing in your finished 'Log' should be done in ink, or if you have one handy, a typewriter. Never use pencil when writing your log.

The test of a good Log is, does it give the information wanted? Not, is it good enough, or long enough, or expertly produced, but should include such information as route covered,

general weather conditions, how long was the ramble, who attended, and what was the main object.

Many of you no doubt have read or seen articles written and illustrated by Ellsworth Jaeger. His illustrations and articles have a real sense of humour and a sound knowledge of nature and folk-lore, presented in a most interesting manner to appeal to younger people and awaken their interest in nature.

So must our Logs be human and allow full scope for personality and a sense of humour, and an opportunity given to the Rover Scout to report fully on some aspect of his own choosing, be it natural life, architecture, forestry, or indeed almost anything.

Finished Logs should not be written on the ramble. Take good notes, read these over carefully before drafting your Log. This should be done within 24 hours of ramble. Illustrations, sketches, photographs, and maps can all be added later.

This prayer by Walter Rauschenbusch, I think, expresses what we as Ramblers feel.

"O God, we thank Thee for this universe, our great home; for its vastness and its riches, and for the manifoldness of the life which teems upon it and of which we are a part. We praise Thee for the arching sky and the blessed winds, for the driving clouds and the constellations on high. We praise Thee for the hills, for the trees, and for the grass under our feet. We thank Thee for our senses by which we can see the splendor of the morning, and hear the jubilant songs of love, and smell the breath of Springtime. Grant us, we pray Thee, a heart wide open to all this joy and beauty, and save our souls from being so steeped in care and so darkened by passion that we pass heedless and unseeing when even the thornbush by the wayside is aflame with the Glory of God."

#### ROVER PUBLICATIONS

It was requested by the Rover Moot Discussion Groups at the 1st Canadian Rover Moot that a notice be placed in this magazine for used copies of out-of-print Rover Books for the use of new Crews.

Due to the limited number of Rovers in Canada it is almost impossible to print a separate text book for their use.

If you have any copies of these publications or know anyone who has, please send them to: The Editor, Canadian Headquarters, Ottawa 4, Ont.



## UP ANCHOR

WE HAVE just heard from the 25th Hamilton Sea Scout Troop, who have one or two suggestions.

When this Troop is planning a hike it is always designed to give the Scouts the maximum in new experiences, as well as handling of boats. If there are not enough boats to carry the entire Troop on the hike they suggest that some of the Sea Scouts travel by foot to a prearranged spot and then change places with the Group that have come by water, for the little journey.

It is also suggested that there may be a nice fast little stream where the Troop had gained practice in rigging breeches-buoy. If you have never tried a breeches-buoy take your heavy rope along on your next hike and see how much fun it is.

The 25th Hamilton have learned that one of the most important things in good Sea Scouting is learning to stow gear properly. This can only be learned by trial and error. Each Sea Scout should have had ample opportunity to join in this sort of fun before being asked to go on his 1st class hike. The 25th Hamilton are determined to keep Scouting an out-door game and equally keeping the nautical flavour in Sea Scouting.

#### Welcome District Council

THE picture on page 126 shows members of the Royal St. Lawrence Sea Scout Troop engaged in a tug-of-war with members of the Montreal District Council. At the beginning of the meeting the Council members were greeted by the Troop Leader who said, "We understand the reason you folk are gathered here

is to chart a Scouting Journey and choose a course to steer.

We hope it proves exciting and full of youthful joys—

Your decisions do concern us—for Scouting is for boys.

To help you with your problems

We thought we would review

Activities of Sea Scouts

The things we learn to do."

This was followed with a quick-fire demonstration of the additional tests and activities from Tenderfoot to First Class that Sea Scouts enjoy.



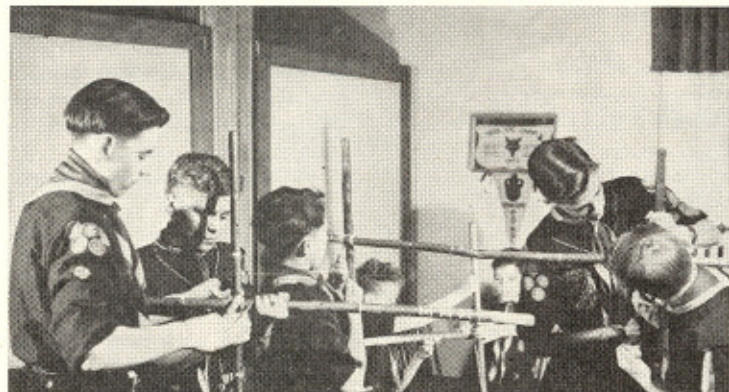
# The Canadian Scout Brotherhood Fund

SINCE the inauguration of this fund in January 1950, it has continued to provide a means for the expression of the 4th Scout Law.

Last year the sum of \$25.00 was given to the 2nd Troop at The Pas, Manitoba, to aid them in the replacement of equipment lost in a fire. During the same year a donation of \$75.00 was received from the 4th Winnipeg Group, representing a partial repayment of the \$160.00 given to them for rehabilitation following the Winnipeg floods.

Disastrous hurricanes in Jamaica in 1951 brought many more problems to the organization there and, at a time when its facilities were stretched to the limit in preparations for the Caribbean Jamboree. To assist the Movement in Jamaica an appeal for tents was made in Canada and a total of \$1,775.00 has been contributed to date (February 15th). However, the Scout Brotherhood Fund Committee did not have to wait until all of these contributions were received but were able to allocate funds already on hand on the fund's treasury. \$993.00 has been used to purchase tents and following the Jamboree these tents will be distributed among Associations in the West Indies to be used for training purposes. The following is a statement of the Brotherhood Fund to date, February 15, 1952.

Scout Brotherhood Fund	\$1,707.56
1st Duncan, B.C., Pack	5.50
	<u>\$1,713.06</u>
Tents—December 31st, 1951	675.00
Colchester County, Boy Scouts Assoc., Truro, N.S.	55.00
Foothills District Council, Alta.	25.00
<i>District or L.A.—Ontario</i>	
Orillia	50.00
Sault Ste. Marie	50.00
Oakville	10.00
North Bay	50.00
North Waterloo	50.00
Lindsay	50.00
Brantford	50.00
Niagara Falls	50.00
Ottawa	50.00
Oshawa	50.00
Windsor	50.00
Belleville	50.00
London	50.00
York Central	50.00
Hamilton	100.00
Humber Valley	50.00
Peterborough	50.00
South Waterloo	50.00
Stratford L.A. and Perth Dist.	50.00
Tillsonburg	50.00
Port Colborne	10.00
	<u>\$1,775.00</u>
Less amount used to purchase tents	993.00
	<u>782.00</u>
TOTAL amount in Scout Brotherhood Fund to February 15th, 1952	\$2,495.06



As soon as a Troop moves into camp they realize how important the instruction and practice they had on lashing really is. Now is a good time to encourage Patrols to brush up on this vital part of Scouting skills so that they will be prepared to take part in Pioneering projects on their next hike and during the Troop Camp.



## Religion and Life Award

### 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 Kelohenu 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.



# LET'S PLAN TROOP CAMPS NOW!

APRIL IS NOT TOO SOON TO START PLANNING FOR THE ANNUAL TROOP CAMP, AND WITH THAT IN MIND, WE SUGGEST THAT ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS TO THINK ABOUT IS A SUITABLE CAMPSITE. THE FOLLOWING CHART IS A GUIDE TO THE TYPE OF THING BEST SUITED TO TROOP CAMPING AND WILL CHANGE WITH LOCAL CONDITIONS, OF COURSE. WE SUGGEST THAT SCOUTERS CALL THEIR COURT OF HONOUR TOGETHER AND DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING TABLE WITH THEM.

CAMP SITE RATING CHART

Score	2	4	6	8	10
TYPE	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT	PERFECT
LOCATION	Edge City	Suburban	Farms	Abandoned Farms	Back Woodland
WATER SUPPLY	Long Carry	Short, Steep Carry	Medium Carry Safe Well	Short Carry Safe Well	Uncontaminated Clear, Cold Spring Short Carry
DRAINAGE	May Flood	Drains Slowly	Drains Two Ways	Drains Three Ways	Drains ALL Ways
SOIL	Clay or Gumbo	Rocky or Loose Gravel	Gravelly	Packing Sand Gravel Under	Firm Loam Gravel under
GROUND COVERAGE	Weeds	Grain Stubble	Hay Crops	Leaf Mold	Well Grassed
TREE GROWTH	Shrubs Bushes	Saplings	20-30 Year Growth-2nd	30-60 Year 2nd Growth	Forest Primeval
FUEL	Down Soft Wood	Down Soft Wood	Standing Soft Wood	Standing dead Hard Wood Fat Pine branches (Soft Wood)	Opportunity to cut Hardwood Fat Pine Stump. (Soft Wood)
TOPOGRAPHY	Flat	12% slopes	5-8% Slopes	Gentle Slopes	Gentle Slopes
SWIMMING	Deep Stream	Safe Depth Stream	Lake, Safe Depth Clear, Clean	Lake Safe Depth Clear Uncontaminated	Lake - Clear, Gradual Slope Beach Uncontaminated
PESTS	Mosquitos Biting Insects	Poisonous Plants	Controllable Flies	Few of Anything	None

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# Scouting Digest

## "Thanks, Sea Scouts"

Mr. James W. Glass, Assistant District Commissioner for Sea Scouts in the Ottawa District area received a very complimentary letter of appreciation from A. C. McNeill, who was in charge of the Royal Crew's Committee which took place on October 11th, 1951. The Ottawa Power Boat Association through Mr. McNeill has made this statement. "It is my considered opinion that this great undertaking would not have been possible had it not been for the efficient help of your Sea Scout Troop. In closing his letter Mr. McNeill extended an invitation from the Commodore of the O.P.B.A. for the Sea Scout Troops to join them on a week-end Cruise in the summer of 1952.

## Ladies' Auxiliary Programme

The January meeting of the St. John the Divine Ladies' Auxiliary in Verdun, Quebec, featured a brief but thorough outline of the Gilwell Part II Course which W. G. Gourlay, the Cubmaster attended last year. Mr. Gourlay amused the ladies with his outline of the S.T.A.'s (spare time activities) and ended up by stressing the importance of Duty to God in the Cub programme.

## Hit the Snow

Among the many interesting extras in the programme of the Three Rivers, Quebec Troop was a Sleigh Drive scheduled to take place in late January. The Troop has found that these little extras help keep the over-all programme extremely interesting.

## Preparing for Camp

The 1st and 5th Fort Erie, Ontario Groups have been conducting regular swimming classes throughout the Winter in preparation for the summer's activities. Over 60 boys have taken part under the instruction of Joe Burroughs.

## There Are Other Ways

Can the Group Committee offer advice to a Ladies' Auxiliary or should

they wait until they are asked for it? Should Cub Leaders and Assistants give all badge instruction to prepare candidates for badge examination or should special instructors be called in to help? Should badge examiners for Cubs give the instruction for their particular badges?

As a result of a number of questions like this, which were put to a full turnout of the 69th Toronto Group Committee, Scouters gained a great deal of support. Several fathers offered to assist as badge examiners and instructors and the over-large Pack was divided into "A" and "B" Packs with the necessary Leaders volunteering at this meeting.

## To Play at Canadian National Sportsmen's Show

The Preston, Ontario, Scout House Band has accepted an invitation to play at the National Sportsmen's Show held in Toronto during mid-March. The band will take part in the opening two days and probably be in on the closing ceremonies as well.

## The Plank Passtime

Scouts of the 1st Arrowsmith, B.C. Troop had an extensive Winter Scout programme this year. The Court of Honour plan a great many ski hikes, all designed to include an enjoyment of the natural beauties which this Western Canadian Troop enjoys in the surrounding countryside. Ski hikes have become a regular feature with many Canadian Troops and if you have not yet tried one, may we suggest you plan to include this in next year's programme.

## Another Famous Scout

General Sir Gerald Templer who has recently been appointed Governor of Malaya, was active in the Scout Movement during his youth. The General joined the Movement in 1908 as a Scout and passed through all ranks to Group Scoutmaster (rank not used in Canada) in 1933.

## 'Good Turn Day' Observed in City by Scout Troop

### Centenary-Queen Square First in Canada to Inaugurate Service

"We are Boy Scouts from Centenary-Queen Square United Church Troop, whose members are doing good turns tonight. Is there anything we can do for you? We do not want to be paid for what you ask us to do."

Such was the greeting received by many householders in the city in response to a ring of the door bell the other evening, as some 45 Scouts from the Troop called at homes to exemplify one of the fundamentals of Scouting. John McCulloch is Scoutmaster of the Troop, and it is said to be the first time that "good turn day" has been observed thus in Canada.

Although the Scouts were not asked to baby sit or do any of its associate chores—as Scouts in Larchmont, New York, were asked to do recently—they ran errands, changed electric light bulbs that were hard to reach, dusted rooms and generally made themselves useful. They worked from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.

## Scout First Aiders Help Injured Skier

Scout training proved its value when 11-year-old Gordon Robinson broke his leg while skiing at Revelstoke, B.C.

Scouts Ken Critelli, George Carofolo, Bonnie York, Al Correale and Mervin Collin applied splints and made a stretcher to carry him down the hill.

Dr. Hamer told them it was one of the best first aid jobs he had seen.

## A Letter to King's Scouts

Many Districts in Canada have now adopted a scheme whereby they write to the King's Scouts in their area. In this way Scouting can keep in touch with these young men, reminding them of their duty to mankind as King's Scouts and wishing them well in establishing themselves in their chosen vocation. There is also a wish expressed that when they are established they will return to Scouting's ranks.



## Contribute to Red Cross Blood Bank

The 51st Group Committee of Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue, Windsor, Ont., was meeting at their regular monthly meeting. President E. C. Goldin, President of the District Council, dropped in on the meeting as has been his practice for some time and suggested that at the close of the meeting the members volunteer their blood to the Blood Donor Clinic of the Red Cross. Every man present accepted the challenge and they went down as a body to the Red Cross Blood Donors Clinic and donated their quantity of blood.

## Scouts to Make Scaled City Model

"Operation Chebucto", the construction of a giant scale model of the City of Halifax, N.S., by the combined efforts of all the Boy Scouts and their Leaders in the city, was announced recently by Paul D. Silver, District Commissioner for Halifax.

In a report to the Executive of the Halifax Boy Scouts Association meeting at the Scout Headquarters, Hollis Street, he said work on the intended 20 by 15 foot structure would begin immediately and he expected it would be completed in about six to eight weeks.

Maps and materials for the construction of the model are already on hand, he said, and the Scouts were given their first assignment Saturday morning, Jan. 19.

Each Troop will survey a given district when the size and number of buildings will be recorded, even to the vacant lots and fields in the neighbourhood. The Scouts will then construct the model houses to scale for the model.

### Many Uses

Working in conjunction with R.C.A.F. and R.C.M.P. skilled craftsmen, the final relief map complete with hills and contours will be assembled at Boy Scout Headquarters. The map is expected to be complete with dock, rail and transportation facilities.

The scale model is to be used for Civil Defence, Traffic control problems, and a myriad of other uses which Mr. Silver is sure will present themselves when the model is completed.

## Flying Rovers Land At Moot

Despite a steady freezing rain, and treacherous roads, 150 Rover Scouts from over 20 Rover Crews within the Central Ontario Scout Region gathered at Camp Samac early one Saturday afternoon for a weekend of comradeship, Rover competition and discussions.

Commissioner C. K. Anderson briefed the Rovers on the plans and procedure of the Rally, before sending them off to their respective cabins under the leaderships and direction of their hosts, members of the 8th Oshawa Rover Sea Scout Crew.

### Evening's Entertainment

In the early evening, each cabin reported to the main council house, where a wide game under the leadership of Rover Scout Donald Houlden of Oshawa was played. Awards for this game were presented to the 1st Orillia Crew, the 1st Maple Leaf Crew, and the 8th Oshawa Crew. The Mate's Council, newly formed under the leadership of Rover Mate Lloyd Sturch of Oshawa presented the evening's entertainment in the usual form of the campfire, presided over by a member of the Orillia Crew. John A. Snow of Willowdale gave the thought-provoking Scoutmaster's Five Minutes at the conclusion of the evening.

Oshawa's Scout President, Bob Coppin, and Bob MacMillan, Vice President of the Local Association both briefly welcomed the large contingent at the Council Hall. Mr. MacMillan spoke of the extensive building going on now in the camp, and welcomed the visitors to come back and enjoy this Scout camp.

Before retiring the Rovers stood around the piano, and had a real sing-song. A tasty snack was served by Mrs. Corbett and Mrs. Warnica of the Local Association, who provided the Rally staff with their meals during the gathering.

In the Council House Sunday morning Bob Johnson, the Regional Commissioner, led a large crowd of Rovers in Rover's Own services. The Regional Commissioner commended the boys to more active prayer in their day by day living.

An Orienteering scheme was presented by the 8th Oshawa Crew and several teams took to the field.

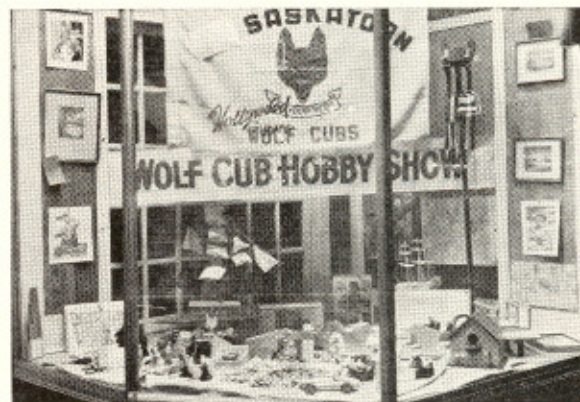
### Rovers Arrive by Plane

During the morning the Aeronca airplane, piloted by Bruce Leatherdale of the 1st Orillia Crew, and Harold MacDonald of Orillia landed on the playing field at Camp Samac, after some very low level flying over the campsite. The plane was welcomed by a large number of Rover spectators.

In the afternoon a fast and furious game of Indian lacrosse, under the direction of Charles K. Anderson was played.

At 3 p.m. the Rovers congregated in the Council House to hear the final words of parting from the Camp Chief, Mr. Johnston.

The Regional Commissioner spoke warmly of the welcome they had received from the Oshawa host Crew and thanked the boys for their large turnout and unanimous support of Rovering schemes throughout the year.



This is the way Wolf Cubs in the Saskatoon District decided to tell their supporters about their very successful Hobby Show. Most merchants are very co-operative in providing window space for displays and it helps to keep our public informed. Naturally the Cubs enjoyed every minute they spent in making their entries for the Hobby Show.



# HEADQUARTERS NOTICES

## SECOND CANADIAN JAMBOREE 1953 JAMBOREE STAFF

### Calling All Scouters and Rovers

There are only sixteen months left until the Second Canadian Jamboree or C.J. 53, as it will no doubt be known. So far it has been impossible to set the actual site or the dates, but nevertheless planning must go ahead.

You will no doubt remember—who could forget—that the Staff for the Jamboree was all volunteer help and came from the ranks of Scouters and Rovers who were not involved with contingents and some Guides. Without their help the First Jamboree or for that matter any Jamboree could not be run.

Those who formed the Staff last time will remember that we could have used a good many more hands for the many jobs going. There will be the need for helpers as:

Quartermaster and Ration Issuers  
Canteen Workers  
Camp Security Guards  
Treasurer and Assistants  
Traffic Control, etc., etc.

This preliminary notice is to ask you to think about your plans for the summer of 1953 and if you are not to be part of a contingent to give serious consideration to offering your services on the staff to help make C.J. 53 a greater success than C.J. 49.

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## SCOTTISH WEE MOOT

Scottish Headquarters of the Boy Scouts Association has announced that the "1st Scottish Wee Moot" will be held at Auchengillan, Scotland, from July 23 to August 1, 1952.

The Scottish Rovers have extended an invitation to any Canadian Rovers who happen to be in Scotland to join with them in the celebration of their 1st Wee Moot, which will include three days of sight-seeing in and around Glasgow and Edinburgh, as guests of Scottish Headquarters. When the Moot is over every visiting Rover will be taken home for a week's hospitality as the guest of a Scottish Rover.

Any Rovers interested are asked to contact Canadian Headquarters for more complete details.

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## STAFF VACANCY—PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

Field Commissioner, located in Montreal and responsible for Field Work in a portion of the Province as directed by the Provincial Commissioner.

Salary will be dependent on age, Scout and business experience and will include normal increases, pension, group life insurance and sickness and accident benefits.

Applications giving full details and salary expected, are to be forwarded to Canadian Headquarters, 306 Metcalfe St., Ottawa 4, Ont.

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## HONOURS AND AWARDS—FEBRUARY, 1952

Before he resigned, 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 was pleased to announce the following Honours and Awards for the anniversary of the birthday of Lord Baden-Powell of Gilwell, Founder, The Boy Scouts Movement, February 22nd, 1952.

## Bronze Cross—2

Posthumously

*Highest possible award for gallantry and can only be won where claimant has shown special heroism or faced extraordinary risks.*

Scout David Kruse, 15, 1st Gaspé Troop, Quebec.—For his special heroism in which he lost his life when he attempted to rescue another boy from drowning at Halimand Beach in the Bay of Gaspé.

Cub Wayne Prescott, age 10, Fourth Pembroke Pack, Ontario.—For his extraordinary gallantry in which he lost his life when he went to the assistance of a small girl who had slipped when swimming into a pot-hole in the treacherous Indian River.

## Silver Acorn—9

*For Distinguished Service*

W. C. Borlasse, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

George H. Cartwright, Quebec, P.Q.

Dr. A. M. A. MacLean, Black's Harbour, New Brunswick.

Evan McCormick, Montreal, Quebec.

Brig. W. W. Reid, Charlottetown, P.E.I.

John B. Ridley, Toronto, Ontario.

Lt Col. H. S. Robinson, Hamilton, Ontario.

Edwin C. Scythes, Toronto, Ontario.

Sydney E. Webster, Montreal, Quebec.

## Silver Cross—2

*For Gallantry with Considerable Risk*

Sixer Grantly Briscoe, 12, 46th Montgomery Pack, Alberta.—For his presence of mind and gallantry in rescuing a girl from drowning in Bragg Creek.

Scout Robert McDonald, 14, 1st Caycuse Troop, British Columbia.—For his gallant rescue of a man who had fallen from a raft in Lake Cowichan.

## Gilt Cross—8

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

Cub Lorne Austin Duguid, 10, 163rd D. Pack, Toronto, Ontario.—For the prompt and brave manner in which he assisted a boy who had fallen from a raft in Georgian Bay.

Deep Sea Rover Scout Ken Roy Houlden, 5th Lynn Valley Troop, B.C.—For his part in the rescue of two adults and a small girl from a fishing boat which had slipped its mooring when the Seymour River flooded.

Scout Charles Arthur MacConnell, 12, 1st Stirling Troop, Ont.—For his bravery in bringing to shore a boy who was in danger of drowning in Oak Lake.

Sixer Robert Patchett, 12, 1st Ganges Pack, B.C.—For the manner in which he assisted another boy who had fallen off a float in Ganges Harbour.

Scout Allan Bernard Pommer, 14, Seven Sisters Falls Troop, Man.—For his prompt action in rescuing a boy who could not swim from drowning when he had fallen from a cable in attempting to cross the Whitemouth River.

Cub James Dickison, 10, and Cub Ira Robinson, 10, 1st Doaktown Pack, N.B.—For their quick thinking and promptness in rescuing a girl who had fallen through the ice on the Miramichi River.

Lone Scout Robert Byron Wardle, 15, Tilley, Alta.—For his prompt and skilful rescue of a small girl who had fallen into a cistern at her home.

## Certificate of Merit—1

*For Gallantry*

Scout Lorne Hill, 12, 1st Stony Mountain Troop, Man.—For his presence of mind and the manner in which he rescued a boy from drowning in a swimming hole in an old gravel pit.

## Letter of Commendation—2

*For Gallantry*

Rover Scout Leader Frederick Gerard Mahler, 4th Galt Crew, Ont.—For his promptness in going to the assistance of a small boy who was in danger of drowning in the rushing waters of Galt Mill Creek.



P.L. John Benson Rutherford, 16, 2nd Duncan Troop, B.C.—For his assistance to another boy who was in danger of drowning in Quamichan Lake.

**Certificate for Meritorious Conduct—1**

*For Meritorious Acts*

A.S.M. Frederick R. Seddon, 3rd Vancouver Troop, B.C.—For the prompt, efficient manner in which he assisted two men in danger of drowning when their truck ran off the road into Kanaka Creek.

**Letter of Commendation—3**

*For Meritorious Acts*

Scout Arnold Turner, 13, Patrol Lader David Dilks, 12, 7th North Vancouver, B.C.—For the part they played when an eighty-six year old man was found lying face-down half frozen in a creek bed.

Sixer James William Godwin, 12, 8th Edmonton Pack, Alta.—For his meritorious and gallant action in saving the life of a boy whose clothing had caught on fire.

**Medal of Merit—19**

*For Good Services to Scouting*

- Charles Norman Bell, Toronto, Ont.
- Robert G. Black, Calgary, Alta.
- Annabel Mitchell Bowman, Toronto, Ont.
- Charles W. Burchell, Halifax, N.S.
- Thomas A. Chubb, Montreal, Que.

- Herman R. Conley, Windsor, Que.
- James Keith Dryborough, Winnipeg, Man.
- Harry C. Firth, London, Ont.
- William S. Fowler, Toronto, Ont.
- Ernest Goat, Montreal, Que.
- Leslie J. Ham, Winnipeg, Man.
- Albert William Haynes, Calgary, Alta.
- A. Stuart Knight, Montreal, Que.
- Rene Lanthier, Montreal, Que.
- Harry Mitchell, Toronto, Ont.
- Mrs. Ruth Naish, Penticton, B.C.
- Norman T. Phillips, Riverview Heights, N.B.
- Ven. Archdeacon E. S. Reed, Gaspé, Que.
- George F. Schroeder, Vancouver, B.C.

**Bar to the Medal of Merit—2**

*For Additional Good Services to Scouting*

- Joseph Henry Brice, Riverhurst, Sask.
- James Walker, Moncton, N.B.

**Certificate of Merit—3**

*For Good Services to Scouting*

- Alva Boyd, Montreal, Que.
- James F. Cartier, Montreal, Que.
- Rev. Father Fernand LaPalme, Sherridon, Man.

**Letter of Commendation—1**

*For Good Services to Scouting*

- Henry Edward Hall, Silvertown, B.C.

To Headquarters

Report of journey from Daves Rd and Danforth to Landing Field 4 1/2 miles

N.E. of Toronto and return via Wofford to Woodbine and Danforth

Date: December 30 and 31, 1941; Average temperature 20°

Weather: Very clear, moderately cold, slight wind and little snow from north and west

Name: Frank Brown, age 14 of the 350<sup>th</sup> accompanied by John Snow age 15 of the 350<sup>th</sup>

Objectives: 1. To investigate airport possibilities of fields near intersection 4 1/2 miles N.E. of Toronto (Daves Rd and Danforth area)

2. To map district in and around Wofford, especially small church on road

Highway to south of town  
3. Clear report of roads used and landmarks passed.

Time	Dist.	Log	Sketches
8:00	0	Opened instructions and looked at notes. Then proceeded N on Daves Rd. Hollinger has some survey East York has route S on Daves to Danforth. Found upon enquiry that the route is along Danforth to Nave and N or Main. Inspected pack, on way	
8:20	1 1/2	We passed St. Anthony's United Church and near the crest of a long winding hill obtained information from a second class scout of the 25th Toronto Troop. St. Anthony's and Crescent School (a private school) were once the famous Mackay estate belonging to Walter Mackay. Mother Midland Ave was a street of employees houses. The pk is very large and in its broad affords good afternoon scouting. Every outdoor sport is carried on in the pk which is a city pk in the Township.	
8:45	1 1/2	Walter Mackay golf course occupies the low tributary valley from Woodbine Ave to Daves Rd. The railway allowance is not used now, but is excellent for hiking. This can be reached from Woodbine Ave, Page Ave or Woodbine Ave. There are no cars now.	

Time	Dist.	Log	Sketches
9:00	2 1/2	At the foot of the long steep hill are two fine camping spots. A large culvert-like bridge spans the stream which varies in width from 5 ft to 15 ft. The level bottom land has a background of high hills (700') well wooded with cedar, maple, beech, and pine. No drinking water is evident. Between two hills to the S.W. can be seen the abandoned RR mentioned before on Daves Rd. Ahead at the hilltop is a collection of modern city houses owned by Fred Tummy, a city tailor. The buildings are cottage style of a permanent nature painted with bright cheer-looking red, green, and yellow.	
9:30	3 1/2	Ahead of us is a long stretch of broken land, cut by streams and narrow low rises of ground. There are a number of dead and many dying trees. The hollows are covered thickly with bogweed, willow, and bull-rushes. The stream seldom reaches a width of 8' but appears to be deep (up to 4') the saw chickens, downy and hairy woodpeckers, sparrows, and shrikes were in abundance feeding on the mulched and wild deep grasses in the background fields. This is bad country but because of its dampness must be approached from N or S or along road. Water can be had from Tummy settlement or store on next corner.	
1:00	4	Pine Hill country is on the corner ahead. The entrance is on the gravel road but it extends for 500 yards N on the Kennedy Rd. The landscaping is beautiful, pine, spruce, ground spruce, maple, and innumerable shrubs background trees are in evidence. The highway is lined by a steel fence and one continuous bed of shagbark hickory. On the N.E. corner there is an old square red perfect building with many rectangular windows, well	

The First Class Hike Report should be a well prepared and useful document. This can be realized if a sketch map and a few details are turned in by each Scout or Patrol after each regular hike. The above report is a portion of a First Class report but some similar form could well be adopted as a general practice for every Scout activity and then incorporated into the Troop Log. Let's have real First Class Hike Reports.



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