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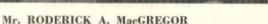
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#### Custom of the House

COTHE FOLLOWING is the usage accorded Scout terms, capitalization and abbreviations in Scouting generally throughout the British Commonwealth and Empire. We reprint it at this time for the benefit of those many new leaders who have not previously had the opportunity to acquaint themselves with the "Custom of the House."

B.-P. (The short reference to Baden-Powell) period after each letter. Hyphenated.

The Boy Scouts Association, no apostrophe after final "s" in Scouts. "The" may be dropped in a running sentence, but not in the title.

Boy Scout Movement. Movement is capitalized.

Other capitalizations are: Scouting, Wolf Cub Pack, Boy Scout Troop, Rover Scout Crew, Wolf Cub, Boy Scout, Rover Scout, Deep-Sea Scout (don't forget the hyphen), Sea Scout, Handicapped Scout, Troop Meeting Room, Flag, Flags, Troop Flag, Queen's Colours. First Class Scout, Tenderfoot Scout, Queen's Scout, etc. First Class Badge, Second Class Badge, All-Round Cords.

(Newspaper editors do not have to conform to our customs.)

Ranks capitalized are, Patrol Leader, Scoutmaster, Cubmaster, Rover Scout Leader. Short form, P.L., P.L.s, S.M., C.M. R.S.L., etc. Periods should always be used after initial titles and not P/L.

P.L.s is not used with an apostrophe unless it is possessive. A P.L.'s hat would appear with the apostrophe.

It is correct to say Staff; plural Staves.

It is neckerchief, not scarf.

Tenderfoot in plural form is either Tenderfoots or Tenderfeet. This issue may be dodged by using the phrase "Tenderfoot Scouts".

Queen's Scout Badge, use an apostrophe. Plural is Queen's Scouts.

Scouts' Own, with apostrophe after second "s" unless only one Scout is present.

It's Cubmaster, not Cubmistress or Lady Cubmaster.

It is Second, not Seconder.

Neckerchief Slides: A "Turk's Head" is a slide of interwoven leather or other pliable material. A Woggle is a slide made of bark, carved wood or bone, etc.

The only exception to this latter custom is that the Gilwell neckerchief slide is generally referred to as the "Gilwell Woggle".

# Guest Editorial

By MAJ.-GEN. D. C. SPRY Chief Executive Commissioner

In the immediate post-war years Canadian Scout officials made an examination of the strengths and weaknesses of the Movement, and studied the factors affecting its future. "Plan Opportunity" was the result. This Plan stressed—

- a) the need for the reorganization of the administration of the Association so that it would be capable, at a later date, of coping more adequately with increased membership.
- b) the need for better information within the Movement so that all might "pull on the same rope in the same direction" and a better information to the general public so that our aims, intentions, and methods would be better understood and appreciated.
- c) the need for an increasingly high standard of training for all leaders.

With these primary needs in the forefront of our thinking, we used the period 1947-1950 to set our house in order for the increase in our membership, which statistics and common sense told us was bound to occur.

1950 saw all of us studying again and establishing targets under the guidance of "Plan Achievement" which was designed to give all of us concrete, easily perceived standards of achievement, towards which our programme of training and activities would lead us. The first target of "Service" has encouraged thousands of Good Turns and acts of public service in all parts of Canada. The second target of "Leadership" has helped us find and train thousands of additional Scouters. The third target of "Supporters" has brought into Scouting hundreds of new Council, Committee, and Ladies' Auxiliary members who now are giving literally millions of hours of effort on behalf of Scouting. "Group" targets have improved the standard of Scouting for thousands of boys.

During the years 1951, 1952, and 1953, much has been achieved. More boys are enjoying a higher quality of Scout experience, more camping has been done, more leaders have joined us and have taken more training—the better to fit them to train an ever-increasing number of Cubs, Scouts and Rovers.

At no time during the post-war period have we set ourselves targets of "quantity". Rather have we stressed the importance of quality first. As foreseen, quantity has automatically followed.

This Jamboree of Achievement is the highlight of the three-year programme. Let us use the remaining months of this final year to complete our targets.

Through the selfless enthusiasm of all our members in Canada, much has already been achieved. There is yet much to do.

Let's do it.

#### A TOAST TO THE CHURCH

By R. J. Mills and P. L. J. Dunsdon Mr. Chairman, Reverend Sir, Honoured Guests, Fathers, Cubs and Scouts:

I am privileged to propose a Toast to the Church. Without the Church there would be no Scout meetings and likely no Scouts. Scouting and the Church go hand in hand like a well oiled machine and the oil is the cooperation among the Church, its officers and Scout Leaders all over the world. The Church is a light in the modern world. It is a beacon to all, rich and poor alike and while the cloak of communism hangs over the world like an ever growing storm, it is the church, not the atom bombs or jet planes which keeps this cloak from falling and smothering out freedom. The Church universal is greater than any nation. Instead of firing guns, it, through its members holds out a helping hand to the needy.

The flood relief of Britain and Holland is just one of many examples: Church people responded generously.

There's a growing feeling that if peace is ever to come it will be through the members of the Church rallying round to really bring all people into the great Christian ideal of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man.

Now let us come to our own local Church in whose Sunday School we have enjoyed this Banquet tonight. I must say a word of congratulations to the fine efforts this Parish is putting forth to the building of the new Church. I would also thank the Rector and Wardens for the use of this building for all branches of Scouting. We hope our Church will continue to make strides in its Sunday School and congregation.

With these thoughts in mind, let us now rise and drink a toast to THE CHURCH.

#### THIS IS AN INVITATION



The Scout Leader is produced from Canadian Headquarters and is designed to be of assistance to you in playing your part in the Scouting game. If there is anything you would like to see appearing in the pages of your magazine, why not write a letter to the Editor outlining your ideas? If you have a really good game you would like to share with others, a different way of teaching some particular test, or even if you just like some article or other, do write, and let the Editor know. Here is the address:

The Editor, The Scout Leader, 306 Metcalfe St., Ottawa 4, Ont.



Dear Sir:

Thank you for your letter of February 13th, and I was pleased to hear that you will be able to use one or more of the photographs I sent you.

The main programme I have for the Pack each week is like the work that outside Packs have but maybe I can tell you a few other things we do here.

The Pack is made up of half breeds, full blooded Indians and one white boy-my own son. All the boys of Cub age belong to the Pack, both from the Fort and the Mission. The Cubs in the Mission stay in the residential school all year and visit relations in the summer. They come from Hay River, Yellowknife, Fort Smith, Fort Rae, Rocher River, Snowdrift and, of course, Fort Resolution. Two of the Cubs never heard English spoken until they arrived at the Mission so you can well imagine how strange things like the Jungle and Jungle names are to them. However, in spite of all obstacles, I keep the programme the B.-P. way and am hoping that by my going over and over the same things they will eventually understand. It is very hard working with them and at times frustrating but just when you feel that they will never understand they surprise you the most and then you realize how worthwhile all your efforts have been.

Incidentally, I am at present being helped by a Mrs. T. McLauchlan—Bagheera—the Scoutmaster's wife. She has been helping since last September. Our sponsoring body is the R.C. Mission and the Father Superior—Father Haramburu—and the Sisters there have given us every co-operation.

One of the tests we cannot possibly give them as laid down in the book is the one for Highway Code. We have a few trucks here but they are seldom on the road. We do stress the importance to them of keeping their dogs chained and also of leading their teams through the settlement. I was able to help them understand this a little more clearly just recently as a Fox with rabies was killed here and there have been several foxes seen in the settlement since. The Dr. and the R.C.M.P. Cpl. gave a talk on rabies to the settlement and both Scouts and Cubs attended.

We have our meetings every Tuesday evening and on Wednesday evenings the Cubs come to my house and work on their tests etc. One week the Fort boys come and the next the Mission boys. They like games and working with their hands better than the instruction periods, so we are encouraging them to draw and I am sending soon for some tempera paints and am most anxious to see how they respond to art. At present they are making a rug out of strips of woollen cord which they are making on cotton reels. We are hoping to sell the rug when it is finished.

They know the birds and animals around here very well but I was surprised to find they knew very few flowers and trees. We immediately joined the Audubon Junior Club in Toronto and we get a lot of nature study pamphlets from them. This Club also teaches a lot about conservation and I have explained what this means to them by telling them why the Government put the ban on them trapping Beaver for so many years, and why even now they can only trap five a season. About a month ago the Fort had quite an exciting hour when three Caribou showed up on the lake in front of the settlement and immediately two natives hitched their teams and were away after them. Two were shot and the other chased by a dog team that had broken away from where the owner had tied them. This Caribou got away. All the children here were very excited.

In the spring some of the Cubs have to go away with their parents to their trap lines or Winter camps. They go mostly for Muskrats. Two small Cubs last year told me they were going so I gave them a book and told them I would like them to make a collection whilst they were away never dreaming they would—to my amazement they made a very systematic collection of feathers.

I always give the Cubs a party at Christmas time and on my son's birthday. I hope this will eventually give the Pack a united feeling. When a Cub has a birthday I give him some chocolate bars and the Pack sing "Happy Birthday" to him. They found this quite strange and amusing at first.

We have had a couple of good Hockey games this year and my husband—who refereed—was very pleased with the sportsmanlike way in which they played.

Our weather isn't too good for outside activities, in the winter it is too cold. Sometimes the temperatures go down to the forty below mark. In the summer we have the mosquitoes and black flies to put up with.

I wish I could have made this more exciting to read but I try to stick—as I said before—to the B.-P. way. It's very hard but who knows maybe the future generation will benefit from what these boys are learning to-day. We all feel it's a very thick fog through which these little feet are treading but then the fog always clears doesn't it? At least we are fortunate enough to understand with what material we are working.

I had the good fortune to attend the 5th Prairie Gilwell last year. What a wonderful time I had and when I came back here I thought I could tackle anything.

This must be all for now and I shall be glad to give you any further information you might like to have.

Yours sincerely, Iris J. Chadwick, 1st Fort Resolution, N.W.T. Wolf Cub Pack.

P.S.—We had a very good ramble last fall. We went into the bush, the two Sixes laying a wool trail and the other two following. At the end of the trail we had a Marshmallow Roast and the Cubs sure loved that, we also pointed out various trees and other interesting things to them.

At Christmas time I taught them the first verse and chorus of "The Wolf Cub Way", "Taps" and other songs which they sang at the Christmas Concert. They also sang Carols in the T.B. Hospital. The patients really appreciated that.

I.J.C.



## PLAN ACHIEVEMENT SPECIAL AWARD WINNERS -- 1952

Here is a further list of those units who won the coveted 1952 Special Award for achieving their targets in our great plan for achievement. Further names will be published as they are received. Have you set your 1953 targets?

1st Leamington, Ontario, Pack; Adath Israel, Northern District, Que., Pack and Troop; Fairmount, Northern District, Que., Pack and Troop; Fairmount-St. Giles, Northern District, Que., Pack and Troop; St. Agnes, Northern District, Que., Pack; St. Michael's, Northern District, Que., Pack and Troop; Twentieth Ascension, Northern District, Que., Pack and Troop; Ist Lansing "B", Ontario, Pack; 34th Calgary, Alberta, Troop; 1st High River (Gold), Alberta, Pack; 1st Harriston, Ontario, Troop; 8th Fredericton Legion, N.B., Troop.

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Gretna Pack, Macdonald Pack, Seven Sisters Pack, Brandon 2 Pack, Brandon 4 Pack, Brandon 8 Pack, Brandon 14 Pack, Rivers Pack, Shilo Pack, Cranberry Portage Pack, Fort Churchill Pack, Flin Flon 1 Pack, Flin Flon 5 Pack, Flin Flon 6 Pack, Flin Flon 8 Pack, Island Falls Pack, Glenboro Pack, Grandview Pack, Oak River Pack, Sherridon Pack, Snowflake Pack, Wawanesa Pack, Fort William, Ont. 6 Pack, Fort William, Ont. 11B Pack, Fort William Ont. 12 Pack, Kenora 3 Pack, Long Lac Pack, Port Arthur, Ont. 4 Pack, Port Arthur, Ont. 7 Pack, Port Arthur, Ont. 10A Pack, Rainy River Pack, Terrace Bay Pack, Geraldton Pack, 4th Winnipeg, A, B, C, D, Packs, 6th Winnipeg Pack, 7th Winnipeg Pack, 12th Winnipeg Pack, 16th Winnipeg Pack, 19th Winnipeg Pack, 22nd Winnipeg Pack, 23rd Winnipeg Pack, 26th Winnipeg Pack, 27th Winnipeg, A, B, Packs, 28th Winnipeg Pack, 36th Winnipeg Pack, 37th Winnipeg Pack, 39th Winnipeg Pack, 40th

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### THE PACK HOLIDAY

PART 3—(Conclusion)
By CUBMASTER W. H. SMITH
29th Toronto Pack

(The first two articles in this series outlined, first, some of the reasons why Camping might receive consideration as an activity for your Pack, and second, how to go about the planning of the camp. To finish up, we would like to pass on some ideas as to what to do, and how to do it, once the Pack arrives at camp).

Ust to get our thinking straight, suppose we first recall the basic purpose of our Pack Holiday, that is, to give each Cub, and the Pack as a whole, a wonderfully thrilling, satisfying, and enjoyable holiday in the open. All of our camping routine and activities are just means to this end, and the most important single factor is the proper atmosphere—the "happy family" spirit.

The spirit of the camp should be firmly established during the first few hours after your arrival. Everything will be new and thrilling, and the Cubs will be in their most receptive mood. This is your opportunity to call a council circle and explain what needs to be done to get the camp rolling. Point out, too, that if everyone in camp is to have the best possible time a few absolutely essential rules must be obeyed without question. Don't forget to remind the Cubs of the importance of the Cub Grin and the cheerful attitude of willing and happy co-operation that goes with it.

#### Camp Rules

The Rules and Regulations at a proper Cub camp are kept to a minimum. There is nothing to be gained by a whole host of petty restrictions—we are running a Cub Camp, not a Concentration Camp.

This does not mean that a camp can or should be run without order or discipline. But the discipline we are aiming at is the Cub variety, cheerful and enthusiastic obedience. It will follow almost automatically if camp routines are carried through punctually and without fuss or bother, and the programme is efficiently organized to eliminate periods when Jimmy has nothing to do but sit around and get into mischief. Again a careful daily inspection of Cubs, kits and campsite has an excellent disciplinary effect on Jimmy's frame of mind.

As samples of the type of "petty restrictions" to be avoided are rules intended to discourage parents' visits or parcels from home. The opinion has been expressed that parents' visits at odd times tend to upset camp routine and to make Jimmy homesick. There is though, no need to let unscheduled visitors affect the camp programme in any way. If parents turn up unexpectedly and find the Pack all away on a ramble—that is just too bad.

So far as the homesickness angle is concerned, if Jimmy shows signs of it during his parents' visit, it is a pretty good indication that something is wrong with your camp. You are far more likely to find that Jimmy has to be reminded of his duties as a host, protesting all the while, "Gee, do you want the other Cubs to think I'm a sissy?"

Neither does it fit in with our "Happy Family" ideal to discourage the "Parcel from Home." Yes, I know, it probably is full of indigestible goodies, but—receiving mail, and especially a parcel, from home is one of the great thrills of camp.

Don't dream of being so brutal as to "confiscate" Jimmy's parcel for general distribution. Can you imagine any more effective way of spoiling his whole day? Besides, you can accomplish the same result merely by suggesting that he pass it around among the members of his Six, a little at a time. No one will get enough to make himself sick, and you have given Jimmy a wonderful opportunity to exercise his Cubbiness.

If the camp is some distance from home, be sure to remind parents to send along a letter or postcard every day, and make sure that Jimmy writes home regularly, too. One amusing sidelight on this question of Letters from Home is the fact that few Cubs can read their



These are the huts used by the 241st Toronto Pack during their Pack Holiday last year. This group consists of Czechoslovakian-New Canadians. Cubmaster J. Pavlik reports a wonderful time and a thrilling experience for each Cub from this Holiday.

own parents' handwriting and Akela will have to translate most of the Cubs' letters for them. Not that Akela will consider this a chore. On the contrary, it is one of those little things which help so much to foster the proper atmosphere of trust and affection.

#### Homesickness

Homesickness is a very much overrated camp problem. Every Cub feels a little lonely from time to time, but he won't let it bother him seriously if the camp spirit is healthy and you have taken care of three points:—

- (a) He must be kept busy.
- (b) He must get sufficient rest.
- (c) He must be satisfied with the meals.

Once in a while, you may run across a boy who comes down with a real attack of homesickness, and whom you cannot comfort at all. In extreme cases, it may even be necessary to send him home. For some unexplained reason, he is usually an eleven-year-old.

In stressing the importance of setting a "Happy Family" atmosphere, please don't conclude that I am advocating a lazy camp. The "Dude Ranch" is quite as much to be avoided as the "Concentration Camp". If the camp is to be of any value to the Cubs, they must take on a definite share of the camp housekeeping and must learn enough of camp routine to form a foundation for Scout camping later on. The camp spirit will gain, not lose, and Jimmy will be more contented, if he feels that he is contributing his share towards the success of the camp. B.-P.'s rule that "the camp must be a busy one-not a school for aimless loafing", applies to Cub camp quite as much as to one for Scouts.

As a matter of fact, while keeping in mind the fundamental differences in the purposes of a good Cub camp and a Scout camp, we must also beware of swinging too far in the other direction. the routine of a Cub camp follows Scouting practice pretty generally,—for example, at an ordinary Cub meeting we don't have flagbreak, but we always do at camp. There is no point in making a fetish of being different from a Scout camp, just for the sake of being different.

A typical Daily Timetable is given on this page. It is based on Daylight Saving Time. If you are on Standard Time, sunset is an hour earlier and the programme is advanced accordingly.

The programme should be kept flexible and at times will be scrapped entirely, in favour of some fascinating adventure the Cubs have dreamed up on the spur of the moment. The only exceptions to this are the meals which must be punctual,—and this includes breakfast!

The first morning in camp, the Cubs will be awake and ready to go at a very early hour, but from then on, none of them will protest at staying in bed until 7:30 or 7:45.

After breakfast, give the Cubs plenty of time to tidy up their tent-sites and get ready for inspection. Blankets must be out airing, towels, and toilet articles hung up neatly in the proper place, and the rest of the Cub's kit neatly laid out on his groundsheet. All rubbish must be disposed of, tents brailed up and swept out.

The inspection must be thorough, but carried out briskly and efficiently. Long drawn out inspections can be very tiresome for the Cubs waiting their turn.

The Rest *Hour* is most important. Camp is a more active place than your average small Cub realizes, and unless he really rests during this hour, he will be cranky after supper. Comic books are usually a first class nuisance at camp, but during Rest Hour they have their place. If he wishes, Jimmy can choose Rest Hour to write his letter home, or he can lie and listen to a story told by one of the Old Wolves.

The afternoon is usually the best time for expeditions out of camp and

#### The Daily Schedule

7:45 a.m. Get up. Roll up bed. Wash and clean up.

8:30 a.m. Breakfast.

9:00 a.m. Routine tent jobs. Get ready for Inspection.

10:00 a.m. Flag Break.

Inspection of Cubs, their kits and tent sites.

10:15 a.m. Morning programme.

11:30 a.m. Morning swim.

12:30 p.m. Dinner.

1:15 p.m. Rest hour.

2:15 p.m. Afternoon programme (out of camp).

4:30 p.m. Afternoon swim.

5:30 p.m. Supper.

6:15 p.m. Free time. Canteen.

Get ready for Campfire.

8:15 p.m. Campfire.

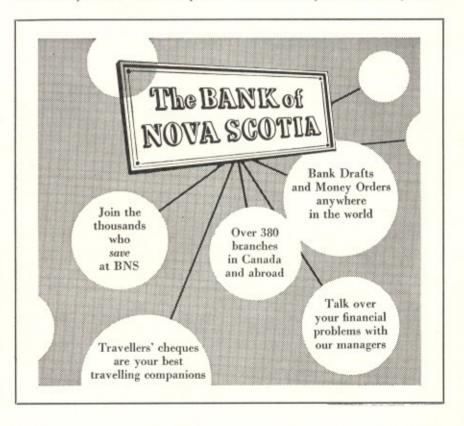
9:00 p.m. Off to bed. 9:30 p.m. Lights out.

Silence.

will usually be quite a strenuous period. If the weather is too hot, however, something a little less active will have to be substituted, and the strenuous activities saved till after supper.

Before supper the Cubs bring in their blankets, which have been airing in the sun all day. Beds are made, and then rolled up until bedtime.

For the first few days at camp, bedmaking will require a considerable amount of supervision. Jimmy is in-



clined to have some fixed ideas of his own as to the proper way to make a bed, and has to be shown why they aren't practical. Then again, the system shown in Handbooks is not as simple as it looks when Jimmy sets out to make up a bed with three blankets of varying shapes and sizes. Blanket pins, too, are awkward gadgets for Cubs' small fingers.

After the evening meal comes Free Time, during which Jimmy can join in one of the two or three games that will be in progress, or else organize his own fun with his own particular friends.

#### Campfire

The evening Camp Fire is the climax of Jimmy's day, sending him off to bed with his heart overflowing with happiness and contentment. The fire itself is an important item; be sure it is properly laid and ceremoniously lit. Then Akela formally opens the camp fire programme, consisting of songs, simple skits, and stunts in which every Cub can join. A short yarn from Akela or one of the other Old Wolves, together with a prayer and a verse of a vesper hymn and the campfire is brought to a close.

It is best to plan on a campfire every night, excepting evenings for which other specific arrangements have been made. Two warnings, though,—be sure that you have a Cub campfire and finish it on time. Perhaps you have recollections of one of those campfires, made up of long drawn out skits which only the leaders and instructors could understand, while the poor little Cubs sit around the fire, trying to keep awake, and wondering when they are supposed to laugh.

If the weather is warm and dry and there is a sufficient supply of extra blankets, you may prefer to have the Cubs come to campfire already dressed in their pyjamas, and wrapped up, Indian fashion, in an extra blanket. This all adds to the proper campfire atmosphere. It also has the practical advantage that the Cubs can get into their pyjamas while it is still daylight, and into their beds in the shortest possible time after campfire. It is very necessary, though, to make sure that Cubs clad in pyjamas keep away from wet grass, and, of course, do not sit on the ground.

After the Cubs have climbed into their blankets, Akela and the other leaders should visit each tent and make sure that everyone is settled down for the night. The boys are then given five more minutes to chat, before the final Silence signal. Some of the Cubs will sleep restlessly during their first couple of nights at camp, and it is advisable for one of the leaders to take a turn around the tents once or twice through the night to make sure no one has rolled out of his blankets—or even right out of the tent. Then, too, rain pattering on the tent will cause some boys to roll around.

One of the earmarks of a good camp is the orderly way in which the Cubs keep their gear. Things which are needed frequently should not be stowed away in the bottom of a kit bag, but hung up in the tent, or kept handy in some familiar way. Uniforms will be worn only once a day, for flag break and inspection, and need not be kept in the Cubs' tent at all, if each Cub is given a large shopping bag with his name on it.

Keep your eyes open for new wrinkles and ideas to simplify and "Streamline" the work of the camp. Remember B.-P.'s text that, "only a tenderfoot roughs it at camp." There is no special virtue in doing things the hard way.

For example, a Parade Circle must be formed many times each day; the Pack frequently wastes valuable time before the circle is the right size, or sufficiently round. Well, if the circle is laid out carefully just once, using a rope (and a peg in the centre), a small rock can be spotted at the correct location for each Cub, with a larger rock for the Sixers. For the rest of the camp, the circle can be formed in a minimum of time, without argument or jostling. Each Cub has merely to run to his own rock.

#### The Wet Day in Camp

Be prepared for the occasional wet day in camp. A complete change of programme will be necessary. The Cubs will probably be quite willing to sleep in, and rouse can well be half an hour later. Blankets are folded neatly in the tent, instead of being put out to air. Inspection and flagbreak may be curtailed or omitted altogether.

On wet days the large marquee or permanent building you have provided will come into its own. Now is the time to arrange "dressing up" stunts, and Handicrafts. Impromptu sketches on suggested themes can be put on, collections of leaves and other scrap book items assembled. Six logs may be written. Dumb Crambo, Charades, and other simple play-acting games will be popular.

If clothes can be dried, a walk in the rain will do no harm. Or, if it is not too

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Sunday

Sunday in camp must be treated as a Sunday. If the Pack consists of boys of one denomination, the Pack can attend church, if one is near. Alternatively a short Cubs Own service is held during the morning. Sunday afternoon will often prove convenient for Visitors' Day. Or it can be devoted to quieter activities, such as nature expeditions, etc.

At a camp of two or three days duration, the normal camp routine will be found so engrossing and will take up so much of the Cubs' time, that there will be little need for many specially planned activities. However, at a longer camp, as the Cubs gain more experience, a more elaborate programme will be necessary to keep everybody busy and happy.

Keep in mind the importance of dividing the work of running the camp among the available leaders. If Akela is to keep his sense of proportion and something approaching an objective viewpoint, he must be able to sit back occasionally and dismiss the camp and its Cubs from his mind, at least for a few moments.

In seeking a campsite, we may as well recognize the fact that both Jimmy and his parents have come to regard the teaching of swimming as one of the essential features of camp life. Therefore an equally essential feature of the site must be a safe bathing beach.

Swimming is probably the activity to which Jimmy has looked forward most, you will have noticed that the suggested daily schedule calls for a swim both before lunch and before supper. If the weather turns cold, it may be necessary to shorten up the swims.

In the water, try to have one leader with the non-swimmers and aim to have every Cub able to swim at least a few strokes by the end of camp.

Safety in the water is of paramount importance, and is secured by sensible planning and vigilant supervision. A picket of at least two good swimmers (Leaders or older Scouts) must be on duty all the time the Cubs are in the water. Read and follow the rules in P.O. & R. If a boat is available, station the picket in it, just outside the line of floats marking the boundary of the swimming area. Many leaders like the "buddy" system of water safety.

The non-swimmers among your Cubs won't require much urging to be cautious, but when Jimmy decides that he has become an expert, you will have to watch him more closely to keep him out of dangerous water. There must be reason in all things, however. In this day and age you cannot expect Cubs who can swim to be contented, if you try to restrict them to playing around in water not much over their knees, or in a roped off area about ten feet square.

Boating, as an activity for Cubs, should be considered only in a very well established camp.

#### Expeditions

A fair proportion of your afternoon programmes should take you out of camp, on rambles, exploring the countryside, and visiting interesting places in the neighbourhood. Perhaps some of the trips can be made by boat. Don't overlook the possibility of occasionally making a real afternoon of it, taking along your lunch, picnic fashion.

It is difficult to give many concrete suggestions, as so much depends on the actual location of the camp. It is up to the individual Akela to explore the possibilities of the countryside, then to put his imagination to work. B.-P. said somewhere that the most important qualification of a good leader was a lively imagination. If your imagination is having an "off day," don't forget that Imagination, like some other qualities is 10% Inspiration and 90% Perspiration.

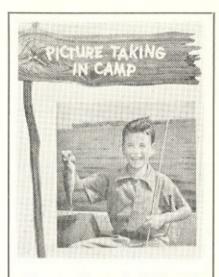
#### Camp Games

You will need a good supply of the equipment required for such organized games as softball, dodgeball, croquet and horseshoes, as well as for a selection of wide games. Try to ensure that every Cub actually takes in these games and doesn't just stand around and watch. Tumbling should be included, too, and can be worthwhile if well taught.

Some of the sports equipment should be kept at each tent. Thus the Cubs are able to keep busy during such gaps in the programme as when waiting for inspection. Comic books are all very well for Rest Hour, but something a little more constructive is necessary at other times.

#### Handicrafts

Reserve a definite place in your programme for Handicraft activities. Many leaders look upon Handicrafts merely as a useful way of filling in time on wet days. A little reflection will show that they have a wider usefulness. A steady diet of such strenuous



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Nature Study

Camp is a wonderful place to go in for Nature Study. At most campsites, there is plenty of Nature, not merely available for study, but thrusting itself upon vour notice. Perhaps vou can recall camps where, between Whippoorwills and Loons, getting to sleep at night presented quite a problem.

In almost any part of the country Jimmy, if he should wake up early, can lie in his tent and listen to the songs of the dozens of the daytime birds. On hikes, he can keep his eyes open for new varieties of leaves to add to his scrapbook.

An opportunity is afforded for another type of Nature "Study", when your Scout instructors come back from a voyage of exploration to announce that they have discovered a desert island, just overflowing with blueberries or wild raspberries.

As Cub Camp is primarily an enjoyable holiday, little time need be devoted to badge work as such. However, many of the camp's regular activities, indulged in for their own sake, such as nature study, swimming, and tumbling will quite incidentally help with star tests and proficiency badges. Leave indoor tests for the coming winter season. (e.g. First Aid).

#### Visitors' Day

One of the highlights of the camp should be Visitors' Day, when Jimmy's mother and dad come to camp to visit him and see how he is being taken care of. Plan something definite in the way of a programme, finishing up, perhaps, with a special campfire.

Don't confine your invitations to the parents of the Cubs attending camp. Your younger Cubs and their parents should be included, too, together with brothers, sisters, aunts, cousins, etc.

Finishing Up the Camp

Get the packing done in good time. One of the Old Wolves should personally inspect each tentsite to make sure that it is in good order and that Jimmy has not left any of his gear. Cubs, in their excitement, can lose some amazing things,-raincoats, blankets, belts,

As for the Cubs themselves, bring them home:-

- 1. With their eyes shining.
- 2. Wishing for more.
- 3. Clean.
- 4. Rested.

# Topics:

# Trigger High Velocity 22's...

#### STILL FAVOURITES FOR PEST SHOOTING

In recent years much publicity has been given to the term "Varmint Shooting" and a growing number of shooters are talking about their super-sensational, 1953 model, custom-built dream guns, whipping up jet-propelled barrel eroders and proceding to break all records for long-

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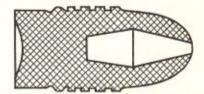
In our younger days, as now, groundhogs provided interesting plinking targets and their nuisance value in the meadows and fence rows was, in Dad's opinion, sufficient to justify an equally interesting bounty-10 cents per tail! Furthermore, the bounty was frequently collected, although the available firearms included nothing more impressive than a well used 22 "pump" repeater.

#### WHAT'S THE SCORE ON 22's?

Wondering just where the 22 rim fire fits into the modern varmint picture, we undertook a little research and were not surprised to find that, far from being outmoded, 22 rim fire cartridges are still the prime favourites for pest shooting. Although outranged by modern high-power loads, the "twenty-two' has proved its effectiveness up to 150 yards . . . and it's economical, too! While high-power centre fire loads with their long range and flatter trajectory are winning many friends, sales records show that shooters still favour the 22 family.

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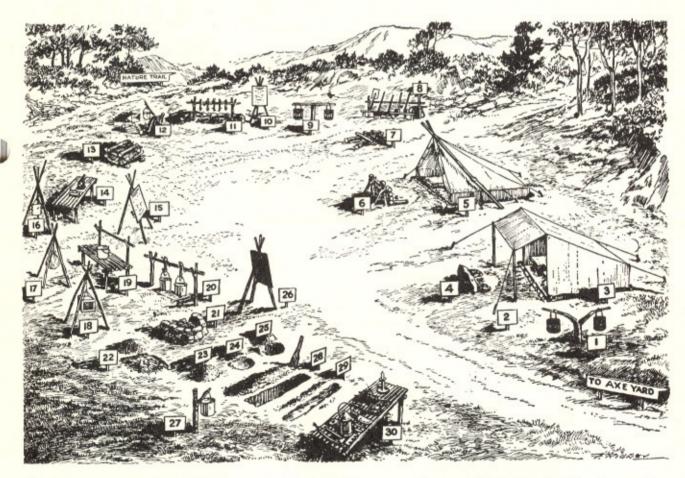
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Jamboree Scouts from every section of our country are now putting the final touches to their Equipment and Supplies as they plan to set forth on the Adventure of THE JAMBOREE OF ACHIEVEMENT. In addition to the First Class Scouts there will be Scouters who have offered their services in operating the many services necessary for such a large gathering. Rovers will police the grounds, Cubmasters will operate Canteens, Trading Posts, and many other facilities, Scoutmasters and Rover Scout Leaders will assist with Finance, Administration, and other details. These Scouters are making sure that Scouts attending the Second Canadian Jamboree will have the best time possible.

We are off to Connaught Ranges, just outside your Capital City, for the period of July 18th to 26th. We'll tell you all about it later and if you are going to be there we look forward to seeing you.



Ever Try A Scouting Skills Trial Field? Well, there are of course limits on its effectiveness but there is one thing sure—your Scouts can learn a great deal by passing through one of these fields. The illustration above, reproduced through the courtesy of the Boy Scouts of America, is a typical Skills Field. Although it will take you and your Assistants and Committeemen a little time to set it up, you can be sure your efforts will be appreciated and well worth while. With these suggestions (above) why not build one of your own this summer?

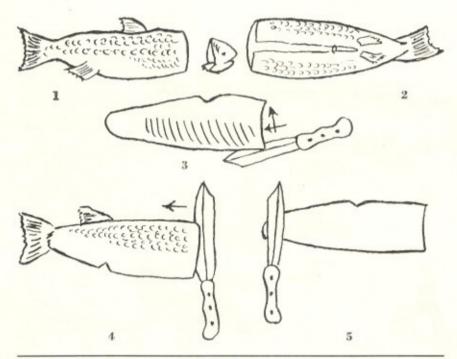
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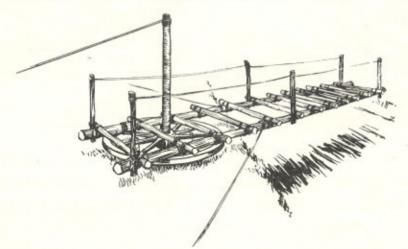
Here is an idea that came from the 3rd Saskatchewan Provincial Jamboree. Every boy should know how to fillet a fish and it is a wonderful objective for a hike.

- Cut head of fish behind fins nearest head.
  - 2. Slit belly from head to vent.
- Remove entrails from fish with a sideways motion of knife—remove belly fins by cutting around muscles.
- 4. Lay fish on table belly side to you, head end at knife hand. Hold down hard on table and cut on upper side of backbone through to tail, with a level under hand cut.
  - 5. Turn fish over and cut along upper

side of backbone as in step 4.

- Hold one half of fish on table and slip knife under ribs at head end and cut with a sliding motion away from you under the ribs.
- Remove ribs from second half of fish same as 6.
- Make light cut in flesh at tail end for grip, and slide knife between flesh and skin, pull skin from under knife proceed the same way for other half of fish.





This bridge may look hard to your Scouts when they see it for the first time. However, don't let that stop them, or you. Have fun trying this and other Pioneering Projects at Troop Camp or on a Week-ender.





#### New Sponsors

The recent application for Charter on behalf of a Group at Mannville, Alberta really had the space allotted for "Sponsoring Institutions" form filled to capacity. The sponsors are the Anglican, United, Lutheran and Roman Catholic Churches in the community.

#### Scouting and The Church

Eight Scouts of the 62nd St. Peter's Anglican Church Group in Vancouver, B.C., were recently Confirmed in uniform by Bishop Gower of the Diocese of New Westminster.

Six of the eight boys have already earned their Religion and Life Award, qualifying for the Badge under the Anglican requirements.

Seven of the boys are active in the Church Choir and they are regular members of the St. Peter's Sunday School.



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# THE BOY SCOUT OUTPOST

EATON'S has the equipment, the clothes, the accessories which Scouts and Cubs need for camping, outings, and meetings. A full line-up of Official equipment, at Scout catalogue prices, are conveniently arranged in our Scout Section . . . if inconvenient to visit, write, or phone your nearest EATON'S store for your requirements.



#### SCOUT FIELD CAP

A "must have" for wear at Camp or when hiking. Smart green colour with Scout badge on front. Extra long peak for protection from sun. Sizes 6½ to 7½. Price \$1.25

#### NAVY DRILL SHORTS

Specially made for summer wear. High grade cotton drill (unlined) cut in smart high waisted model, belt loops, pocket with flaps, zipper fly opening.

Boys' sizes 22 to 28 inch waist \$3.25 Boys' sizes 29 to 34 inch waist \$3.75 Men's sizes 30 to 44 inch waist \$4.75

#### T-SHIRTS

Nothing more suitable for wear at Camp than these cool white ribbed cotton T-Shirts. Smartly cut with Scout emblem on front.

Boys' sizes, small, med., large \$1.25 Men's sizes, small, med., large \$1.75

#### SWIM TRUNKS

The famous "Klingtite" model. Smart Scout green colour with emblem. Elastic waistband, inside supports, pocket with zipper opening. Boys' sizes 10-12-14 & 16 yrs. \$3.45 Men's sizes 30 to 38 inch waist \$3.95

#### MOCCASIN KIT

#### TOILET KIT

Contains all personal essentials needed at camp. Metal mirror, hair comb, tooth brush container, soap box, and face cloth in waterproof "roll-up".

Price \$3.00

#### FLASHLIGHT

Always a handy article for Camp and home use. Specially made for Scouts with metal clip that fastens to belt.

Price with batteries \$2.75

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#### BLANKETS

The Scouts warmest friend. All wool dark grey with blue stripe. Size 60 x 15 inches. Weight per blanket 3 lbs.

Price, single blanket \$7.75 Price, per pair \$15.00

#### GROUND SHEET

Specially made for Scouts from black thoroughly-waterproofed rubber. Size 36 x 78 inches. Grommets at corners. Price \$2.95

#### EXPERIENCE POINTS THE WAY

Veterans campers draw upon their own past experiences when planning new outdoor adventures, but for all Boy Scout campers and hikers—no matter how experienced or how inexperienced they may be—there is always a vast wealth of valuable data close at hand in the helpful experiences of others.

Experience tells you the what, when, where, why, and how of camping and hiking. It teaches how to meet nature on her own terms, and have a wonderful time doing it. It is the experience of Boy Scouts and Leaders that has dictated the selection of the Outdoor Equipment listed on this page, to help you meet the vital test of outdoor planning.

#### SCOUT TENT

A "Wall" style tent affording ample room for two boys or an adult. Made from tan canvas duck. Length 7½ ft., width 5 ft., height 5 ft., with 2 ft. side walls. Excellent for use of the Camp Leader.

Price with poles and pegs \_\_\_\_\$18.95

#### OVERNIGHTER TENT

Weighs only 3¾ pounds. An easy-touse tent that will accommodate two boys. Made of green, high-count cotton with a water repellant finish. Poles and pegs are not provided.

#### CAMPER ROBE

An excellent sleeping robe for campuse. Size is 6 ft. long and width 3 ft. Has zipper opening, attached pillow and carrying bag.

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#### CAMP MIRROR

#### EATING SET

Stainless steel knife, fork, and spoon that clip together and fit into handy compact case.

Price \$2.35

#### PUP TENT

Affords ample cover for two boys. Made from khaki drill and sent complete with poles and pegs. Overall length 8 ft., width 4 ft., height 3½ ft. Price \$6.95

#### KITCHEN SHELTER

Specially made for use as kitchen or dining table shelter. Ridge is 14 ft. and width 17 ft. Made from white duck.

Price (Shelter only) \$39.75 Price (Poles and Pegs) \$11.00

#### CAMP BED TICK

They solve the problem of sleeping at Camp. Made from cotton drill with opening for filling with straw or other bedding material. Width is 3 ft. and length 6½ ft. Complete with pillow.

Price \$3.50

#### DINNERWARE SET

Consists of a plate, soup or cereal bowl, and cup with saucer. Made of breakage resistant material in attractive colour. Price per set \$2.75

#### SPINNING ROPE

Lots of fun and exercise can be had at camp with this 20 ft. rope. Many Scouts are experts at rope spinning. Price \$1.75



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#### SCOUT RUCSACK

A dandy hiking sack made specially for Scouts from 12 ounce duck. Size 20 x 19 inches. Protected by cover with draw string. Price \$5.25

#### TOWEL & WASHCLOTH SET

A good quality "Terry" cloth towel and washcloth in Scout green. A "must have" for camp and always useful at home. Price per set \$1.75

DUNNAGE BAG

You can pack all your personal kit in this bag. Made from waterproof duck, 12" diameter, 36" long with protection throat.

#### WATERBOTTLE

Clean, stainless aluminum. Light in weight and of about 1 qt. capacity. Has cover and carrying strap. Price \$3.50

#### MATCH BOX

#### DELTA LANTERN

#### MIDGET LANTERN

#### SPY GLASS

A six-power tubular telescope with a wide field of clear vision. Convenient to have at Camp. Price \$2.50

#### HANDY CASE

High grade leather pouch that can be attached to belt. Handy for carrying small "wanted" articles. Price \$1.50

#### MONEY POUCH

#### FIRST AID KIT

Every Scout should be able to render First Aid. This Kit contain required essentials for that pose. Contained in smart metal box with hinged cover.

Price \$1.50

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