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## The Sign Post

### FINANCIAL CO-OPERATION

The general system of financing the Scout Movement in Canada has greatly improved during the last few years, but there is one point that still gives us all concern.

There are many rural Groups who pay little or nothing into the Provincial Council's funds, yet they expect visits from Field Commissioners, free magazines, pamphlets, subsidized books, etc. — to say nothing of having their letters answered. All these services cost money.

At present the funds of Provincial Councils are mostly obtained from the larger centres of population. I have come across rural Groups with quite healthy bank balances, who have not paid a penny into the Provincial Council funds for years. Surely this is worth reconsideration.

As Scouts we should not expect something for nothing — we should be prepared to pay our fair share of the financial load.

What about you rural Scouters having a chat with your Group Committees to see what you can do to put this matter right?

### SCOUTING 1952

A summary of the Annual Report for the year 1952 appears in this issue of *The Scout Leader*. 1952, the second year in Plan Achievement has been an outstanding one in many ways and I urge you to read this digest carefully. I would also ask all unit leaders to make sure their assistants see the **TRIBUTE TO SCOUTERS** which appears on page 182.

Let us now make a supreme effort to ensure that 1953's Annual Report will tell an even greater story of progress and achievement.

*D.C. Spry*

Chief Executive Commissioner



## Coronation Celebrations in Canada

Let us remember the words of our beloved Queen when she spoke to us on her twenty-first birthday:

"There is a motto which has been borne by many of my ancestors—a noble motto, 'I serve'. Those words were an inspiration to many bygone heirs to the Throne when they made their knightly dedication as they came to manhood. I cannot do quite as they did, but through the inventions of science I can do what was not possible for any of them. I can make my solemn act of dedication with a whole Empire listening.

"I should like to make that dedication now. It is very simple. I declare before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service and the service of our great Imperial Family to which we all belong.

"But I shall not have strength to carry out this resolution alone unless you join in it with me, as I now invite you to do. I know that your support will be unfailingly given.

"God help me to make good my vow, and God bless all of you who are willing to share in it."

\* \* \* \*

Once again on Christmas Day she asked us for our prayers that she may be given strength to bear the burden of her task:

"At my Coronation next June I shall dedicate myself anew to your service. I shall do so in the presence of a great congregation drawn from every part of the Commonwealth and Empire, while millions outside Westminster Abbey will hear the promises and the prayers being offered up within its walls, and see much of the ancient ceremony in which kings and queens before me have taken part through century upon century.

"You will be keeping it as a holiday; but I want to ask you all, whatever your religion may be, to pray for me on that day—to pray that God may give me wisdom and strength to carry out the solemn promises I shall be making and that I may faithfully serve Him, and you, all the days of my life."

As we solemnly renew our Promises, at the Coronation celebrations; let us accept the challenge she has given us and dedicate our lives to the sharing of that burden with her, by our Love, by our Loyalty, and by our Prayers.

ROWALLAN  
Chief Scout  
British Commonwealth  
and Empire.

## Editorial

The Scouter's Five Minutes is probably the greatest opportunity a leader has to influence and inspire boys in the idealistic phases of the Scout programme.

Naturally, we are all thinking about our Queen as she prepares to dedicate herself to the service of her people at the Coronation Ceremony on June 2nd. This is not the first time she has taken a solemn Promise, for our Queen was Invested as a Guide. As a member of our sister movement, Elizabeth was a faithful and energetic Guide and we may rest assured that she is convinced of the need for the continued growth of Scouting.

You will want to speak to your boys about our Queen and ask them to remember her during the Coronation Celebrations on June 2nd. Here are a few brief notes:

1. The Coronation Ceremony is a religious ceremony in which the Queen dedicates herself to the service of her peoples in all parts of the world, and in which her people's representatives at the Coronation acclaim her as Queen.
2. Our Queen accepts the Bible as a guide to life as these words are spoken: "Here is Wisdom; This is the Royal Law; These are the living oracles of God".
3. The Crown, as represented in the Queen, is the link which holds together the greatest free association of self-governing nations in the world.
4. The Queen in her person, represents all those traits of national character which all good citizens recognize as necessary to national greatness—honour, loyalty, devotion to duty, ideal family life, active religious life, etc.

There are many other points which you will want to touch upon and you may be sure your audience will be interested in a carefully planned talk. Our Queen endeared herself to us as she toured Canada in 1951 and we are proud to proclaim her Queen of Canada.



York Central District  
District H.Q. Box 305,  
Thornhill, Ontario  
April 15th, 1953.

Dear Sir:

I have been asked to send you the following information with the request that perhaps you can find room to include it in a future issue of *The Scout Leader*.

1953 marks the 30th Anniversary of Gilwell Training in Ontario.

To mark the occasion this committee is planning a super Gilwell Reunion at Blue Springs Scout Reserve, near Acton, Ontario, on August 21st, 22nd, and 23rd.

The event will be open to all holders of the Wood Badge both active and non-active.

We hope that as many Gilwellians as possible will make the journey there to relive the wonderful times they had at Gilwell.

Further details may be obtained from myself at the above address.

With many thanks,

Yours very truly,

Peter E. Woodger,

Secretary,

Gilwell Reunion Committee.

- Our very best wishes on Ontario Gilwell's 30th Birthday. *The Scout Leader* will look forward to a report of your activities to pass on to other Scouters.

580 Chester Avenue.

Town of Mount Royal,

Montreal 16, Quebec.

Dear Mr. Beers:

I wish to thank you for your letter of April 13th, in which you give me information regarding the availability of *The Junior Leader*, and also to thank you for the enclosure of five copies of that publication. Our Cub Instructors were impressed by it, and I feel that it will be worthwhile to purchase subscriptions of it for these boys. Consequently, I am enclosing a money order for two dollars (\$2.00) to cover

four subscriptions.

If possible, I should like these subscriptions to begin with the May issue, in order that the boys can have the complete series on Water Safety.

Thanking you for your kind response, I am

Very sincerely yours,

R. M. Spence,

Cubmaster, Garden City Pack.

- Thanks for the idea. We hope that other Cubmasters with Cub Instructors will use this idea.

Dear Sir:

We are accepting your invitation extended by the *The Junior Leader*. We have listed a few ideas which we think will add more interest to the magazine namely:—

A Scouting Crossword Puzzle.

Handicraft Hints

A Creative Writing Contest on *True Scouting Experiences*.

Why not publish this letter in the next issue to see what the other fellows think of the idea?

Sincerely yours,

St. Catharines Senior Troop,

Optimist Club.

- As we have not yet started a Letters to the Editor Column in *The Junior Leader*, this note is published here. We would like to hear what you think of the ideas.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a short item which might be of interest to the readers of *The Scout Leader*.

On Wednesday, April 1st, the three Cub Packs of the 17th Winnipeg Group held a Handicraft Display in the hall of St. Matthew's Church. About fifty articles were on display. They included leather work, kitchen memo pad holders, painting on china, plaster plaques, drawings, shellcraft, collections and a cake which later was thoroughly devoured by the leaders. A

beautiful coloured film on wild water birds was shown to the Cubs and their Parents and friends. Around \$12.00 was collected from the sale of popcorn and fudge. This money was turned over to the Flood Relief Fund. Most of the articles from this display will be shown at the Wolf Cub—Boy Scout Hobby Show which takes place in the T. Eaton Company store in April.

Yours truly,

Miss Mary R. Button,  
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

- An excellent idea for Scout Brotherhood Fund raising or camping monies.

Kebajoran-Baru, Indonesia,

Djalan Tulodong 26.

Dear Brother Scout:

We have just received, at the above address, your very interesting Scout Journal from which we can learn quite a lot and which we read with great pleasure. We thank you so much for sending it and will look with full attention for the next number.

Mrs. A.P.C. Weijer-Kruisbink,  
Secretary Linking-up Scheme  
Boy Scouts of Indonesia.

- The Scout Brotherhood idea in action.

Dear Sir:

In our Cub Pack, tests No. V and VIII are passed by the Cub's parent.

Each Cub has to present his Cub book to his parents, they examine him and send a note of approval to Akela.

The following is a copy of one reply received which goes to prove how much help parents are and the interest they take in Akela's training of their boys.

David, Sixer of the Greys,  
Shows improvement in his ways.  
Nails are clean and cut just right,  
And his teeth are shining bright.  
Breathing gently through his nose,  
He no longer puffs and blows.  
Uniform is pressed and neat,  
He is clean from head to feet.  
Stands erect with shoulders back,  
Due to training in the Pack.  
A much improved situation . . .  
Thanks for your co-operation.

(Signed) Ruth Rorke.

This is a prized possession for our scrap-book.

J. Howard Vincent,  
Akela, 1st Dundas Pack,  
Dundas, Ontario.

- What a wonderful idea. We need to incorporate Parents into our programme more often.



# SPECIAL AWARDS 1 9 5 2

Here is another list of Plan Achievement Special Award Winners. *The Scout Leader* will publish the names of all units who have achieved their targets in 1952. If yours has not yet been published, look for the next edition of your magazine.

## BRITISH COLUMBIA

*East Area*—24th St. Margaret's Mowgli Pack and Troop, 24th St. Margaret's Seonoe Pack, 28th Community "A" & "B" Thunderbirds Packs and Troop, 69th Grandview Baptist Pack, 94th Zion United "A" & "B" Packs and Troop, 61st Renfrew United Troop, 26th St. Saviour's Pack and Troop.

*Kerrisdale Area*—40th Vancouver Marpole Pack and Troop, 81st St. Faith's Troop.

*Kitsilano Fairview Area*—5th Fairview Baptist Church Pack, 15th Henry Hudson P.T.A. Pack, 18th Kitsilano United Pack and Troop, 22nd Canadian Memorial United "A" & "B" Packs and Troop, 35th Community Pack, 38th Holy Trinity Anglican Church Pack, 48th St. James' United "A" & "B" Packs and Troop, 53rd Central Christian "A" & "B" Packs, 68th St. Chad's Anglican Pack.

*North Area*—4th St. Martin's Anglican Pack, 5th Lynn Valley Community Centre Pack and Troop, 6th St. Agnes' "A" & "B" Packs, 8th Heywood Community Centre Pack, 12th St. Catherine's "A" & "B" Packs, 14th St. John the Evangelist (Norgate Park Mission) Pack and Troop, 7th St. John the Evangelist Troop.

*Richmond Area*—1st St. Albans' Anglican Richmond Pack, 4th Steveston United Pack and Troop, 8th Brighthouse United Pack and Troop, 9th Richmond—R.C.A.F. Station Pack.

*Southeast Area*—7th Lions' "A" & "B" Packs and Troop, 9th St. Thomas Anglican Pack, 55th Vikings Parent Group Pack and Troop, 56th St. Margaret's Troop, 57th St. Matthew's Anglican Pack, 57th St. Matthew's Anglican Pack, 97th Grace United Troop, 55th Vikings' Rover Sea Scouts.

*West Area*—1st St. Stephen's Anglican Pack and Troop, 2nd Canadian Legion St. George's & St. Patrick's Packs and Troop, 3rd United Church and A.O.T.S. Club Pack, 4th St. Francis-in-the-Wood Anglican Pack,

5th Gleneagles School P.T.A. Pack, 6th Lions' Club Troop, 7th St. Christopher's Anglican Pack and Troop.

### Vancouver District Group Committees

*Dunbar Pt. Grey Area*—24th St. Margaret's Group, 26th St. Saviour's Group.

*Kitsilano Fairview Area*—5th Fairview Baptist Group, 15th Henry Hudson P.T.A. Group, 18th Kitsilano United Group, 22nd Canadian Memorial United Group, 35th Community Group, 38th Holy Trinity Anglican Group, 48th St. James' United Group, 53rd Central Christian Group, 68th St. Chad's Anglican Group.

*North Area*—3rd Capilano Community Group, 4th St. Martin's Anglican Group, 5th Lynn Valley Group, 6th St. Agnes' Anglican Group, 7th St. John the Evangelist Anglican Group, 8th Heywood Community Centre Group, 11th Burrard View P.T.A. Group, 12th St. Catherine's Anglican Group, 14th St. John the Evangelist Norgate Mission Anglican Group.

*Southeast Area*—55th Viking Parent Group, 83rd Beaconsfield United Group, 97th Grace United Group.

*Okanagan South District*—4th Penticton Pack, 1st Summerland Pack, 1st Penticton Troop.

*Crowsnest District*—3rd Fernie Pack.

*North Surrey—Delta District*—1st Annieville Pack, 1st Ladner Pack and Troop.

## ALBERTA

1st Banff Troop, 39th Edmonton Pack, 1st Raymond Troop.

## ONTARIO

8th Belleville Pack, 93rd Toronto Crew, 23rd Toronto Crew, 105th Toronto Troop, 23rd Toronto "A" Troop, 5th Paris Pack, 1st Grimsby Beach "A" Pack, 2nd Burlington Troop, 1st Swastika Pack, 2nd Kirkland Lake, 6th Kirkland Lake Pack, 8th Kirkland Lake Pack, 12th Kirkland Lake Pack, 3rd Kirkland Lake Pack, 4th Kirkland Lake Pack, 11th Kirkland Lake Pack, 1st Richmond Hill "A" & "B" & "C" Packs, 1st Thornhill

"A" Pack, 1st King Pack, 1st Richvale "A" Pack, 1st Willowdale "A" & "B" Pack, 1st Haviland "A" Pack, 3rd Willowdale Pack, 1st Leamington Troop, 2nd Leamington Troop, 5th Leamington Pack, 6th Leamington Pack, 1st Essex Troop, 2nd Essex Pack and Troop, 1st Harrow Troop, 1st Kingsville Pack, 1st Wheatley Pack, 2nd Kingston Pack, 3rd Kingston Pack, 5th Kingston Pack, 10th Kingston Pack, 12th Kingston Pack, 14th Kingston Pack, 1st Fort Henry Pack, 1st Oshawa "A" & "A" Packs and Troop, 3rd Oshawa "B" Pack and Troop, 4th Oshawa Troop, 5th Oshawa "A" & "B" Packs and Troop, 6th Oshawa Pack and Troop, 7th Oshawa "A" & "B" Packs and Troop, 8th Oshawa "A" & "B" Packs and Troop, 11th Oshawa Troop, 12th Oshawa Troop, 14th Oshawa Pack, 15th Oshawa Pack and Troop, 16th Oshawa Pack and Troop, 7th Oshawa Crew, 8th Oshawa Crew, 1st Etobicoke Sea Rover Scout Crew, 1st Mimico Crew, 1st New Toronto Crew, 1st Long Branch Crew, 1st Etobicoke Troop, 4th Mimico Troop and Pack, 3rd Mimico Troop and Pack, 2nd Mimico Troop and Pack, 1st Mimico Troop and Pack, 3rd New Toronto Troop, 1st New Toronto "B" Troop, 3rd Long Branch Troop, 3rd Lakeview Troop, 1st Alderwood Pack and Troop, 1st Lakeview "A" & "B" Packs, 3rd Lakeview Pack, 2nd Alderwood Pack, 1st Long Branch "A" & "B" Packs, 2nd Long Branch Pack, 3rd Long Branch Pack, 1st New Toronto "A" & "B" Packs, 3rd New Toronto Pack, 1st Humber Bay Pack, 2nd Humber Bay Pack, 3rd Humber Bay "A" & "B" Packs, 1st Etobicoke "A" & "B" Packs, 1st Collins Bay Pack, 3rd West Hill Troop, 3rd West Hill "A" Pack, 1st Scarborough Troop, 1st Norval, Brampton, Ont., Pack, 4th Cornwall Pack, 10th Cornwall Troop, 11th Cornwall Troop.

## QUEBEC

1st Quyon, Pontiac District Troop and Pack, 1st Bryson, Pontiac District, Troop and Pack, 1st Shawville, Pontiac District,

Troop and Pack, Valleyfield, Chateaugay Valley District, Troop, Beauharnois, Chateaugay Valley District Troop and Pack, Hemmingford, Chateaugay Valley District Troop and Pack, Nitro, Chateaugay Valley District Pack, Franklin Centre, Chateaugay Valley District Pack, Iverley Community Centre, Central District Pack, 1st Lachute, Laurentian District Troop.

#### NOVA SCOTIA

1st North Sydney Troop, 1st Sydney Pack and Troop, 4th Sydney Pack and Troop, 1st Armdale Pack and Troop, 14th Halifax Pack, 18th Halifax Pack, 21st Halifax Pack, 31st Halifax Pack, 34th Halifax Pack, 36th Halifax Pack, 2nd Fairview Troop, 1st Westville Pack, 12th New Glasgow Pack, 1st Westville Mothers' Auxiliary, 5th Truro Pack, 1st Glace Bay Troop, 2nd Glace Bay Troop, 1st New Aberdeen Troop, 1st Liverpool Troop.

#### NEW BRUNSWICK

Centreville Pack and Troop, Jacksonville Pack, 3rd Woodstock (United Church) Pack and Troop, 4th Woodstock (St. Lukes) Pack and Troop, 5th Woodstock (St. Pauls) Pack, East Florenceville Troop.

#### Editor's Note:

This is not the final list of Award winners. Because there have been so many Special Awards issued this year, it is impossible to list them all in one or two issues of the magazine. There will be a further list in the July-August number.

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## From A Gilwell Log

*(An Extract from a Correspondence Course Study)*

#### Question Two

How would you bring "Duty to God" into the life of the Troop?

#### Answer

Each part of the Scout Promise should be brought into the life of the Troop: Duty to God:

(a) through a conscientious effort to develop his own spiritual life:

(b) through the faithful practice of his religion. We Roman Catholics, recognized in Scouting, a programme both wholesome and beneficial to the boys. Each boy should be made to realize before he is invested that as a Scout, he is expected to attend the services of his own church. He should be encouraged to earn the Religion and Life Badge. But our interpretation (Roman Catholics) of Christian life is such that the doctrine of Christ and the imitation of Christ must extend in practice into every avenue of human interest. No human activity, whatso-

ever, is left to be done on the merely natural plane, but must be supernaturalized, i.e., what we think and what we say and what we do and what we endure must be done not from merely natural motives but from supernatural motives imbedded in our Christian Faith. And so in Scouting too, if our boys were to utilize its programme, our supernatural Christian Faith and practice has to enter, and this not merely in a nominal and superficial way but substantially and effectively. Thus our Faith will permeate, characterize and sanctify all the activities which our boys will enjoy in Scouting.

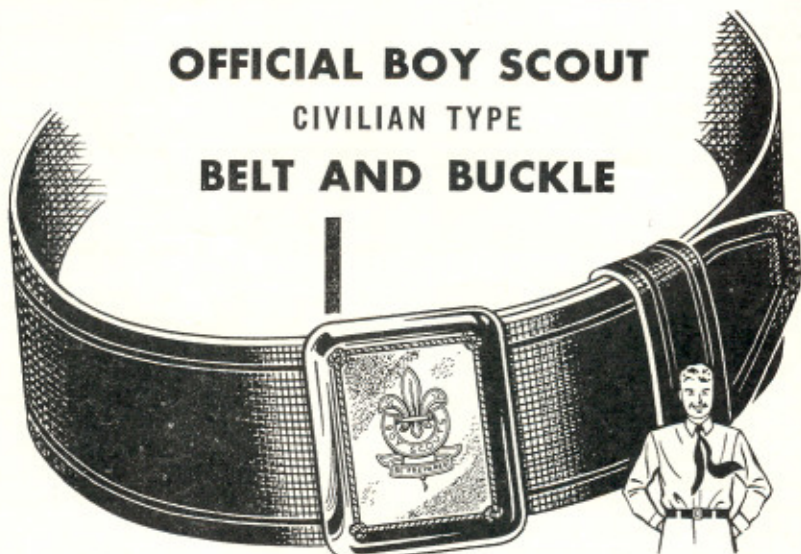
We must moreover tell the boys to render their homage to the Almighty; make him see in the work of nature the hand of God; and him realize certain daily practices; to ask God's help in many occasions.

This answer was sent in by a Scouter who is also a Roman Catholic Priest.

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# THE SCOUT BROTHERHOOD (and Flood Relief) FUND

Contributions continued to be received for the Scout Brotherhood Fund and many contributions marked for "Flood Relief". The following list acknowledges many of these contributions and *The Scout Leader* will publish the names of all donors as they are received. Have you sent your contribution?

## Scout Brotherhood Fund

Balance Mar. 9th, 1953.	\$950.68
The Boy Scouts Assoc., Manitoba and N.W. Ontario Council	\$3.60
12th Port Arthur Scout Troop and Cub Pack, Ont.	10.00
Anonymous—London, Ontario	20.00

Balance April 23rd, 1953 \$984.28

## FLOOD RELIEF

Balance Mar. 9th, 1953.	\$280.91
Port Colborne, Ont., Boy Scouts Association	\$10.00
The Chippawa Ont., Auxiliary, Boy Scouts Association	10.00
1st Collins Bay, Ontario Group	7.00
Mr. H. B. Jacobi, D.S.M., St. Catharines, Ont.	20.00
Crystal Beach Boy Scouts, Ridgeway, Ontario	5.00
5th South Burnaby Cub Pack, B.C.	10.00
Crows Nest District, Vancouver, B.C.	25.00
North Vancouver Area Council, B.C.	10.00
West Vancouver Cubs and Scouts, B.C.	26.32
Ladies' Auxiliary, Prince Albert, Sask.	5.00
Canadian Headquarters Staff	
The Boy Scouts Association	22.00
1st Clarkson, Ont., Scout Group	25.00
1st Milverton Troop, Milverton, Ontario	10.00
1st Caledonia, Ont., Cub Pack	5.00

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Mr. S. Jardine	2.00
63rd "B" Pack	10.00
63rd Crew	10.00
Frank F. Morton	10.00
E. C. Seythes	100.00
1th Cub Pack	5.00
60th Troop	5.00
G. R. Cameron	5.00
Fred Frost	25.00
Mrs. M. Cohen	5.00
H. P. Cottingham	10.00
25th Pack	4.00
Mrs. Alice Hurst	25.00
45th Ladies' Auxiliary	5.00
135th Ladies' Auxiliary	5.00
22nd Pack and Troop	25.00
46th Troop	10.00
58th Ladies' Auxiliary	5.00
Clayton M. Young	2.00
91st "A" Pack	8.00
87th Group Committee	25.00
232nd Group	13.75
R. G. Roberts	25.00
N. A. Wice	10.00
19th Ladies Auxiliary	10.00
G. R. Munro	5.00
73rd Ladies' Auxiliary	5.00
109th Group	5.00
63rd "A" Pack	10.00
63rd Troop	10.00
63rd Group Committee	10.00
E. G. Shaver	5.00
199th Cub Pack	10.00
Mr. J. S. Blum	10.00
19th Troop	5.00
Mr. E. Crosby	20.00
A. W. Denny	5.00
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81st "A" Cub Pack	7.00
J. H. Bourne	5.00
Mr. W. Ambler	10.00
51st Ladies' Auxiliary	10.00
Mr. K. Spink	10.00
107th Ladies' Auxiliary	25.00
198th Troop	10.00
131st Crew	10.00
Mary Jane Miller	5.00
62nd Ladies' Auxiliary	5.00
31st Troop	5.00
Dr. N. McLeod	10.00
23rd Ladies' Auxiliary	50.00
177th Cub Pack	15.00
Keith Schroeder	5.00
174th Troop	5.00
173rd Group	5.00
105th St. James Bond	25.00

526th Boy Scout Ladies' Auxiliary	20.00
229th Scout Auxiliary	10.00
111th Troop	106.00
135th Group Committee	10.00
175th Scout Troop	5.00
91st Ladies' Auxiliary	5.00
184th Boy Scout Ladies' Auxiliary	5.00
20th Scout Ladies' Auxiliary	15.00
127th Wolf Cub Pack	50.00
24th Scout Troop & Cub Pack	10.00
10th Toronto B.S. Mothers' Auxiliary	10.00
67th Troop	10.00
35-37 Scout Ladies' Auxiliary	5.00
23rd "B" Troop	15.00
19th Troop	3.00
8th Group Comm. & Ladies' Auxiliary	4.00
109th Ladies' Auxiliary	5.00
46th Toronto Group Ladies' Auxiliary	5.00
98th Toronto Rover Crew	5.00
102 Cub & Sc. Ladies' Auxiliary	5.00
104th Cub Pack	2.00
169th Cub Pack	5.00
28th Group Committee	10.00
74th Cub Pack	5.00
Original 188th Troop	11.15
174th Scout Troop	5.00
149th St. Clare's Ladies' Auxiliary	25.00
4th Cub Pack	5.00
219th Troop	5.50
18th Toronto Cub Pack	5.00
105th Cub & Sc. Ladies' Auxiliary	25.00
211 Ladies Auxiliary	5.00
79th Scout Ladies' Auxiliary	5.00
17th Cub Pack Mothers' Auxiliary	2.25
58th Wolf Cub Pack	20.00
1st 204th Ladies' Auxiliary	10.00
58th Troop	5.00
B.S.A. Dist. of Scarboro	20.00
21st Boy Scout Ladies' Auxiliary	5.00
186th Cub Pack	5.00
40th Troop Mothers' Auxiliary	10.00
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85th Troop	25.00
71st Boy Scout Ladies' Auxiliary	15.00
520th S. A. Cub Pack	5.00
49th Scout Troop Auxiliary	25.00
33rd Ladies' Auxiliary	2.50
Mr. Allan Harper	2.00
6th Group Ladies' Auxiliary	5.00
33rd Scout Troop	5.00
7th Toronto Scout Group Ladies' Aux.	12.00
131st Scout Ladies' Auxiliary	10.00
22nd Scout & Cub Mothers' Auxiliary	5.00
128th Boy Scout Ladies' Auxiliary	5.00
4th Toronto Troop	7.15
92nd Cub Pack	2.00
Mr. C. Douglas Cameron	10.00
1st Toronto Rover Crew	10.00
196th Boy Scouts Ladies' Auxiliary	10.00
77th Boy Scout Mothers' Auxiliary	10.00
Mr. Frank Callcutt	25.00
Wynward, Sask. Boy Scouts Association	5.00

Rev. A. Norman McMillan, Cubmaster	
1st Caledonia Pack, The Manse, Caledonia, Ontario	1.00
Mrs. M. Sandford, 225 Hanna Rd., Leaside, Toronto	10.00
1st Transcona, Manitoba, Boy Scouts	5.00
Corwall, Ont., Boy Scouts Local Assn.	10.00
James McKeenan, St. David's, Ontario	20.00
6th Saskatoon, Sask., Troop	5.00
"A" Manitoba Scouter	\$10.00
Germain Street Baptist Church Troop, Saint John, N.B.	10.00
Group Committee, 1st Emsdale Pack & Troop, Emsdale, Ontario	16.00
17th Winnipeg, Manitoba Wolf Cub Packs, (St. Matthews Church)	12.00

## CONTRIBUTIONS FROM BELLEVILLE ONTARIO

2nd Belleville Pack	\$1.00
3rd Belleville Pack	6.30
4th Belleville Pack	5.55
5th Belleville Pack	1.85
7th Belleville Pack	5.00
9th Belleville Pack	10.00
10th Belleville Pack	1.50

5th Belleville Troop	1.70
8th Belleville Troop	1.10
9th Galt Cub Pack (1st United Church), Galt, Ontario	10.00
Rumsey Scout Group, Rumsey, Alberta	5.91
Group Committee, 12th Port Arthur, Ont., Scout Troop and Cub Pack	10.00
1st Galt, Ont., Scout Ladies' Auxiliary	25.00

## CONTRIBUTIONS FROM BRITISH COLUMBIA

West Vancouver Cubs and Scouts	.50
1st Nickel Plate Cub Pack	5.00
Powell River District	25.00
1st Chemainus Cub Pack	5.00
Fairfield "B" (Victoria) Pack	6.00
1st Nakusp Group Committee	60.00
North Vancouver Area Scouters' Council	18.00
Advance Cubbing Course, Burnaby, B.C.	2.85

## CONTRIBUTIONS FROM SASKATCHEWAN

Akela Club, Regina, District	\$ 5.05
5th Regina Pack	1.00
14th Regina Troop	.70

## CONTRIBUTIONS FROM MONTREAL, QUEBEC

Mr. Leeson	\$ 5.00
Selwyn House Group	10.00
Don McKnight	1.20
Mount Royal "D" Pack	3.10
St. Johns Scout Troop	4.00
53rd Vickers Scout Troop	1.05
Strathmore Cub Pack	2.00
1st Malartic Cub Pack	2.00
St. Stephens Lachine Troop	5.00
St. Monica's Scout Troop	1.25
Lake St. Louis Scout Troop	13.50
Red Otter Rover Crew	4.55
St. Albans Cub Pack	5.00
1st Tetreaultville Pack	5.30
Garden City Pack	2.25
Greenfield Park Scout Troop	4.00
St. Luke's United Pack	3.00
1st Valleyfield Scout Troop	.75
Westmount Park Pack	2.00
Ephraim Scott Pack	2.00
Dolbeau Scout Troop	5.00
Wesley "A" Cub Pack	2.00
St. Laurent "Friday" Pack	1.35
Parkdale No. 1 Pack	1.30
1st Three Rivers Scout Troop	2.50
Trinity Memorial Cub Pack	2.10
McMasterville Scout Troop	2.00
Mount Royal (Wednesday) Pack	2.20
2nd St. George's Cub Pack	18.00
Chambly-Richelieu District	7.45
Lachine Scout Group	49.19
St. Dominics White Feather Pack	1.20
Springfield Park Pack	5.00
First Nitro Scout Group	10.00
Christ Church Pack	1.50
Hemmingford Scout Troop	1.00
Westmount Park Scout Troop	1.50
Tetreaultville Mowgli Pack	2.50
1st Quyon Scout Troop	5.00
St. Lukes Rosemount Pack	1.50
A. Tingle	5.00
Beauharnois Cub Pack	11.67
St. Dominics Scout Troop	1.00
Bronx Park Scout Troop	5.00
Goldfields Scout Troop	4.00
1st Bourlamaque Scout Group	8.69
Malartic Scout Troop	5.00
St. Andrews Cub Pack	1.35
Cookshire Scout Group	5.00
2nd Parkdale Cub Pack	1.35
Lakeside Pack	2.50
5th Sherbrooke Scout Troop	4.60
All Saints Cub Pack	4.60
Grace United Lachine Troop	5.00
Pawnee Rover Crew	5.00
Wesley Scout Troop	5.00
Knox Crescent & Kensington Pack	5.00
Shaar Hashomayim Scout Troop	5.00
East Angus Cub Pack	2.00
R.C.A.F. St. Hubert Cub Pack	1.75
Adath Israel Cub Pack	5.00
5th Sherbrooke Cub Pack	5.50

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## Magistrate Conducts Scout Badge Course

MAGISTRATE Johnstone Roberts, as District Commissioner for the Greater Niagara Area for the past three weeks has been conducting a Scout Citizen Badge Course for Scouts of Second Class or higher grade. Interest and attendance has been exceptionally good with twenty-nine boys attending.

The course covered such items as the qualifications for voting at Dominion, Provincial and Municipal elections; knowing how people become Canadian citizens; how Canada, his province and municipality are governed and the principal functions of good government.

Instruction was given covering the principal courts of justice, the duties of the officers of such courts and particularly of jurymen, how they are chosen and their duties. An important part of the course was the duties and responsibilities of a good citizen with emphasis on the fact that every citizen should assume his responsibilities.

As practical application every Scout must show that he has personally devoted at least thirty hours to the performance of some useful public service.

## Aid for the Blind

The generous dreams of a Pack of Wolf Cubs were brought to fruition January 12, in a warm ceremony in the Tiferes Israel Synagogue. The occasion was the presentation of a sum of money to the Canadian National Institute for the Blind by the 10th Moncton (Synagogue) Cub Pack. The money, which had been raised by the lads of their own initiative during the period immediately preceding Christmas, was presented to W. L. Jones, Field Secretary of the C.N.I.B., by Senior Sixer Joel Freeman.

Behind the scenes it was learned that the Cubs had approached Mr. Jones to ascertain whether they could in any way contribute to the happiness and well being of the blind people in the Moncton area. The Cubs had in

mind the purchasing of a "seeing eye dog". Mr. Jones stated that "a seeing eye dog would benefit one, perhaps another idea would benefit the entire institute". From that expression of opinion came the idea of purchasing a miniature bowling alley, for which purpose the money was expressly given.

## Assiniboia, Manitoba District Cub Rally

The first District Cub Rally staged by the Assiniboia District turned out to be a huge success when nearly 300 Cubs took part before over 400 parents and friends. The programme, based on the pamphlet "Up the Cubbing Ladder" was staged by the various Packs and was well received.

## Swimming Meet

THE Hamilton, Ontario District conducted a 20th Annual Cub, Scout and Rover swimming meet in April of this year. This marks the conclusion of another season's activities wherein the Hamilton District stressed the importance of swimming o boys in all age brackets.

Cubmaster Ed. Waller and his complete team from the Knox Presbyterian Church in Dundas, Ontario last year won the gyrette trophy and Robert Hughes of the same Pack won the Scobie Trophy. Cubmaster Waller has given much time and effort to promoting this cativity in his Pack and District and with the members of the Hamilton Swimming Committee have contributed to make the swimming classes and Annual Gala a great success.

## Scouting in Sasebo, Japan

We have just read a very interesting newspaper clipping telling the story of Rev. Edward Geier, who is presently Parish Priest in Sasebo, Japan.

In acknowledging receipt of three books on Scouting, from St. Clements Group in Preston, Ontario, Father Geier stated that he hoped to start a Troop in his Mission Parish very soon.

## Toddler Found Through Scouts "Good Turn"

Two-year-old Gerald Fulkco of Nakusp, B.C., may have cured his case of wanderlust.

Gerald wandered from his home at 10 a.m. one morning. When the children came in from school at noon they started an intensive search for the youngster, but were unable to find him.

In the afternoon, R.C.M.P. Constable Don Pye enlisted the help of Nakusp Scouts, and a systematic search of the town started. In an hour the Scouts found the boy half a mile from his home fast asleep in the bush on a pile of snow.

None the worse for his adventure, Gerald was hustled home by the Scouts, who then returned to school satisfied they had done their "good turn" for the day.

## Nature Study Camp

This is the 15th Season for the Nature Study Camp, which is organized by the Federation of Ontario Naturalists and is held at Camp Billie Bear in the beautiful Muskoka Lakes District.

After reading the brief pamphlet prepared by this group of Naturalists, we enthusiastically recommend this Camp as an ideal way for Rovers and Scouters to acquire a working knowledge on Mother Nature. The programme includes field trips, workshop sessions, lectures, formal and informal discussions, and illustrated talks. There is a place for the specialist or advanced student, although the course is primarily aimed at developing a general knowledge of Nature Lore. There are excellent facilities at the Camp for swimming, boating, tennis, etc. Picnics and Camp fires will also be a feature of this Nature Study Group.

If you are interested in attending, further information can be gained from the Federation of Ontario Naturalists, 187 Highbourne Road, Toronto 12, Ontario.

# SCOUTING 1952

## A Digest of the Annual Report of the Executive Committee of the Canadian General Council

**EDITOR'S NOTE**—Important details of the Annual Meeting of the Canadian General Council of The Boy Scouts Association, held in Ottawa on April 24th, appear on this and the following pages, together with a digest of the Annual Report of the Executive Committee, presented at that meeting. The meeting was attended by His Excellency the Rt. Hon. Vincent Massey, C.H., Governor General and Chief Scout for Canada.

THE annual meeting, held in the Public Schools Administration Building in Ottawa was largely attended and every Province was represented.

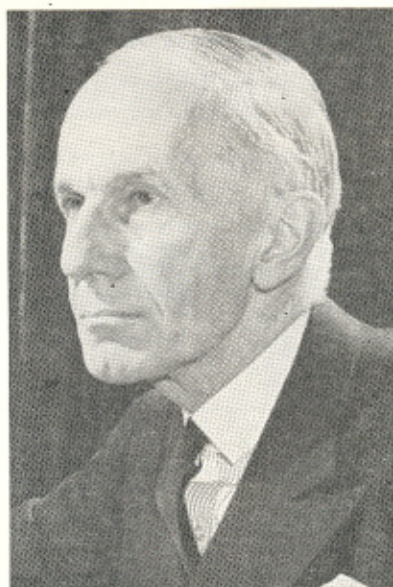
His Excellency, who has the prerogative of nominating the President, Vice-President and Deputy Chief Scout was present to make these nominations. They were:

President; Mr. Rhys M. Sale of Windsor, Ontario, President of the Ford Motor Company of Canada.

Vice-President; Mr. R. C. Stevenson, O.B.E., C.A., Montreal.

Deputy Chief Scout; Mr. Jackson Dodds, C.B.E., Montreal.

Other officers elected at the meeting were: Honorary Secretary, Capt. Barry



**His Excellency The Right Honourable Vincent Massey, C.H., Chief Scout for Canada.**

German, Ottawa; Honorary Treasurer, J. A. Hobson, Ottawa; Honorary Counsel, Capt. D. K. MacTavish, Ottawa; International Commissioner, Mr. Jackson Dodds, Montreal.

The Executive Committee is composed of all Provincial Presidents and Provincial Commissioners, together with others elected by the Canadian General Council for periods of three years.

### THE CHIEF'S SCOUT'S ADDRESS

His Excellency spoke both at the luncheon held in the Rideau Club and at the Annual Meeting. At the Rideau Club the Chief Scout spoke of the forthcoming Coronation Celebrations and the chain of beacon fires to be lighted by Scouts from Coast to Coast.

In the afternoon, His Excellency made an appeal to public spirited citizens to offer their services as Leaders in the Scout Movement. The text of this address follows:

In the book which gave Scouting its birth — Scouting for Boys — Baden-Powell quotes an ancient Greek philosopher as saying: "No man goeth about a more Godly purpose than he who is mindful of the right upbringing, not only of his own, but of other men's children".

In the many centuries of time which have elapsed since Socrates uttered these words, nothing has happened to dim their wisdom.

Perhaps today, in the complicated civilization in which we have been called to play our part, this great truth has even more force than when first it fell upon the ears of men.

The boy of today has an incomparably more difficult task to adjust himself to the world he lives in, than did the boy of Socrates' time. I am certain that no more important work exists today than the right upbringing of our young people, and I am equally certain that Scouting has an important role to play in that task.

In talking to groups of Boy Scouts I have often said a few words about citizenship. I have ventured to suggest that citizenship is not learned from textbooks and lectures as well as it is in a practical way. Scouting teaches good citizenship because to be a good Scout is to be a good citizen.

These observations probably sound self-evident to thoughtful people, but we, in this room, know that Scouting is playing an influential part in the lives of too few Canadian boys.

We must face the fact that, for the good of our country, this great move-



**Mr. Rhys M. Sale, President of the Ford Motor Company of Canada, who was appointed President of The Canadian General Council.**



**Mr. Jackson Dodds, C.B.E., who was re-appointed Deputy Chief Scout for Canada for the fourth year by the Chief Scout.**

ment should grow faster. And that brings me to the question of leadership. Scouting will not grow automatically. Like all movements, it needs leaders. Everywhere I have gone I have heard it said that more leaders were required. Thousands more would join the Movement, were it possible to provide the leadership of devoted men and women, who see in Scouting their opportunity to serve their country and the world.

To bring Scouting to the thousands of boys who want it and need it, I take the occasion of the Annual Meeting of your Association to appeal to men and women of patriotism and vision in every part of our land, to offer their services in the field of Scout leadership. I feel confident that they will derive deep satisfaction from this work; I am sure also that the knowledge that they are making a fine contribution to the future of this great country, will more than compensate for the time and energy they devote to the task.

It will remain for ever true that the right upbringing of our youth is a Godly and noble purpose.

#### THE ANNUAL REPORT

The opening paragraphs of the report express regret in the death of His Majesty King George VI; appreciation of Her Majesty the Queen's patronage of Scouting, and tributes to the work of the Chief Scout, the Deputy Chief Scout and the President of the Association.

Following are excerpts from the report.

#### Honours and Awards

The Chief Scout made the following awards in 1952:

- 1 Cornwell Scout Badge for pre-eminent high character and great fortitude.
- 2 Bronze Crosses (posthumous) for gallantry with special heroism.
- 1 Silver Wolf for services of an exceptional character.
- 10 Silver Acorns for distinguished service.
- 2 Silver Crosses for gallantry with considerable risk.
- 9 Gilt Crosses for gallantry with lesser risk.
- 1 Certificate of Merit for Gallantry.
- 2 Medals for Meritorious Conduct.
- 1 Certificate for Meritorious Conduct.
- 9 Letters of Commendation for Meritorious Acts.

#### TRIBUTE TO SCOUTERS

It was moved by Mr. Dodds, seconded by Mr. Stevenson, that the following be given wide circulation:

"There is no body of men and women more deserving of the praise and thanks of the Canadian General Council than the more than 13,000 Leaders without whom The Boy Scouts Association would cease to exist.

"Their untiring efforts in the interests of the youth of Canada, given without thought of recognition or reward, are deserving of the highest recommendation.

"The Canadian General Council is most happy to take this opportunity of conveying to its family of Leaders its most grateful thanks."

- 2 Letters of Commendation for Gallantry.
- 32 Medals of Merit for Good Services to Scouting.
- 6 Bars to Medal of Merit for additional good services.
- 4 Certificates of Merit for Good Services.
- 2 Letters of Commendation for Good Services.
- 187 Long Service Medals.
- 117 Bars to Long Service Medals.

#### Membership

Membership continues to increase, the rise during 1952 being the greatest ever recorded. From a total of 128,760 in 1951, membership rose to 146,089, a new high. This represents an increase of 17,329 or 13.45%. Leaders increased from 11,861 to 13,319 or 12.3% thus almost keeping pace with the increase in total membership. The ratio of boys to leaders is almost 10 to 1, just about ideal.

The total of Wolf Cubs continues to outstrip that of Boy Scouts, a situation which should be the concern of every Council. The wastage between Pack and Troop can be accounted for in many ways but every effort should be exerted to stem it. Lone Scouts shows a decrease of nearly 40%, particularly in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Saskatchewan. Some of this will be attributable to the establishment of regular Troops but in the main is due to inability to maintain adequate Lone Scout Counsellors. Sea Scouts show a gain of 84 or 13.68%, while Rover Sea Scouts increased by 31 or 38%. Every province with the excep-

tion of Saskatchewan registers an increase. There, due in part to movement of population, a net loss of 118 is shown.

Comparisons of 1951 and 1952 figures are shown on page 183.

#### Badge Review

New Scout Badges introduced with the revision of P.O.R. have met with good reception particularly the Stamp Collector of which 1037 were sold. The Dog Handler elicited a good deal of interest, 434 being sold. Evidently accent on Civil Defence is having its effect as Public Service Badge sales have increased substantially. Ambulance man is up from 1755 to 2131, Cyclist from 1806 to 2007, Fireman from 2098 to 2511 and Pathfinder from 1197 to 1289. The total, increased from 32,707 to 35,785 and is an increase of 11.33%, slightly more than the increase in Scouts.

In the Cub Section the increase in total sales is much more pronounced having risen from 36,793 to 52,037 or slightly in excess of 41%. Every badge shows a marked increase reflecting the activity in that section of the Movement.

#### Contributions

During 1952 the Association received two generous donations. The first consisted of the summer estate of the late G. E. Fauquier, near Wakefield, P.Q., consisting of a summer lodge, guest cottage, servants' quarters, boathouse, etc., on a small but very beautiful lake offset in 426 acres of delightful woods. The object of this donation was to commemorate the connection of Mr. Fauquier in the Association and to

provide the basis for a National Trust Fund. Rental of the property for the '53 season is assured.

Secondly, the late J. George Gladman of Newmarket, Ont., bequeathed the sum of \$10,000 to the Canadian General Council. This sum has been invested in Dominion of Canada Savings Bonds.

The Association is deeply grateful for this concrete display of faith in its work.

### Caribbean Jamboree

With 57 Scouts and Leaders, Canada's representation at the First Caribbean Jamboree at Kingston, Jamaica, in the spring of 1952, was the largest contingent to attend the Jamboree from outside of the Caribbean area. In addition to the members of the contingent, 12 Scouters and Rover Scouts from Canada gave assistance on the Jamboree Staff. With Jamaica heavily hit in the previous year by hurricanes, the Jamboree Officials might well have been justified in cancelling their ambitious undertaking, but their decision to carry on was rewarded by an outstanding successful international gathering.

The Canadian Contingent, representative of most Provinces in Canada, acquitted themselves with great credit to their country. In addition to the active part the contingent played in the Jamboree programme, the tentage used by the contingent was turned over at the conclusion of the Jamboree for use in training schemes in the Caribbean countries. A special section of the Scout Brotherhood Fund was set up to provide these tents, and again every Province in Canada participated financially in this good turn to their Caribbean brothers. The recipients were much moved by this evidence of goodwill on the part of Canadian Scouting.

### Canadian Scout Brotherhood Fund

Since its inception, this fund has proved of immense benefit to those Groups who have suffered from Fire, Flood and other adversities. Recognition of all donations is made in *The Scout Leader*.

A recapitulation of the fund to date is as follows:

Balance, January 1, 1952	\$1,404.91
Donations to Dec. 31, 1952	2,906.94
Total	\$4,311.85
Expenditures Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 1952	\$3,474.50
Balance as at Dec. 31, 1952	\$ 837.35

Payments made against the Fund were as follows:

Whitewood, Sask—Equipment lost by Fire	\$ 112.45
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## Scout Population Statistics

### STATEMENT OF CENSUS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 1952

Provinces	Wolf Cubs	Boy Scouts	Sea Scouts	Lone Scouts	Rover Scouts	Rover Sea Scouts	Grand Total Boy Members	Adult Leaders	Dec. 31, 1952 Total	Dec. 31, 1951 Total
Nfld.....	515	1,282	22	—	14	—	1,833	145	1,978	1,687
P.E.I.....	506	356	—	60	—	—	922	86	1,008	970
N.S.....	3,426	3,262	—	82	49	—	6,855	592	7,447	6,662
N.B.....	2,652	2,005	—	82	94	—	4,833	524	5,357	5,150
Que.....	5,651	3,490	55	65	156	—	9,417	829	10,246	9,756
Ont.....	39,504	19,072*	531	—	1,190	104	60,401	5,705	66,106	57,653
Man.....										
N.W. Ont.	6,042	2,752	—	31	39	—	8,864	826	9,690	8,355
Sask.....	2,977	1,900	15	75	24	—	4,991	544	5,535	5,653
Alta.....	6,423	3,584	13	78	46	—	10,144	905	11,049	8,805
B.C.....	11,423	5,293	62	10	210	8	17,006	1,739	18,745	16,834
La Fed....	2,567	4,391	—	—	546	—	7,504	1,424	8,928	7,235
TOTAL 1952....	81,722	47,387	698	483	2,368	112	132,770	13,319	146,089	
TOTAL 1951....	70,348	42,636	614	794	2,426	81	116,899	11,861		128,760
INCREASE..	11,374	4,751	84			31	15,871	1,458	17,329	
DECREASE..				311	58					
PERCENT-AGE.....	16.16	11.14	13.68	39.16	2.39	38.27	13.57	12.3	13.45	

\*Includes Lone Scouts.

### CAMPING

	Registered Camps	Total Boys in Camp	Total Camper Days
Newfoundland	not known	not known	not known
Prince Edward Island	15	309	2,337
Nova Scotia	43	1,239	13,201
New Brunswick	45	1,400	10,492
Quebec	31	2246	23,500
Ontario	326	not known	not known
Manitoba	48	1,202	not known
Saskatchewan	3	536	4,720
Alberta	56	1,604	10,392
British Columbia	96	3,036	35,849
La Federation	298	6,243	63,536
TOTAL	961	17,815	164,027

NOTE.—These figures do not include unregistered, weekend or overnight camps.

Caribbean Scout Groups—to replace equipment lost in the Hurricane of 1951.....	2,994.00
Haiti—Books to assist in organization .....	125.95
Mexico—Books to assist in organization .....	131.46
Eastend, Sask.—Rehabilitation after Flood.....	61.29
Prov. Office, P.E.I.—to assist in organization in the Magdalen Islands .....	49.35
Total .....	\$3,474.50

The greatest single expenditure was that made on behalf of the Caribbean authorities, who suffered so tragically in 1951. Letters of appreciation have been received from all those who benefited.

### Camping

Complete figures are not available in connection with camping but it would appear that there has been a definite decrease in this most important side of Scouting. It is difficult to establish reasons for the situation, and it is urged on all concerned to ensure that in 1953, there will be a decided trend toward much more camping.

### Plan Achievement

The three year plan, inaugurated in January 1951 to develop service, leadership and support for the Movement throughout Canada has done much to raise standards in Packs, Troops, Crews, Group Committees, and Ladies' Auxiliaries.

In last year's Annual Report it was not possible to give the complete figures for 1951. It can now be reported that 550 Wolf Cub Packs, 403 Scout Troops and 16 Rover Crews qualified for Plan Achievement Awards in 1951.

As this is prepared, complete figures for 1952 are not yet available, but a progress report reveals that in five Provinces only 437 Wolf Cub Packs, 207 Scout Troops, six Rover Crews, 32 Group Committees and one Ladies' Auxiliary, have been recommended by their Provincial Commissioners for Plan Achievement Awards.

As was pointed out last year, these figures do not reflect the full impact of the plan on Canadian Scouting. Many of those units which did not qualify for an award, in their attempts to do so, raised the standards of Scouting in their units by endeavouring to complete targets beyond their capabilities.

### Civil Defence

This year has been slow but steady progress in this phase of Citizenship Training. Emphasis on normal Scout

training in skills, preparedness and initiative has found expression in a great many realistic exercises held in conjunction with local Civil Defence Authorities.

### International Scouting

Canada continued to play its part in International Scouting. The Deputy Chief Scout, Mr. Jackson Dodds, and Major-General Spry, as Deputy Director of the International Bureau, attended meetings of the International Committee in London, England in September.

As Deputy Director in charge of the Western Hemisphere, General Spry toured several of the Latin-American countries, and visited New York City where he participated in conferences

regarding the expansion of Scouting in the Central and South American countries.

Canada was represented at the first World Indaba (gathering of Scouters) held in England. Canadian Headquarters was represented by John L. MacGregor, who also spent some weeks at Gilwell Park, assisting with Training Courses there.

Canada has continued to support the International Bureau financially, and pays its obligations to the Bureau at old rate of exchange which considerably assists the Bureau in its work.

### Scouting in 1952

It is the custom to provide in this report an outline of the activities during the year in each Province. Because



His Excellency the Rt. Hon. Vincent Massey, C.H., Chief Scout for Canada met and reviewed Scouts in all parts of Canada. Here he is seen presenting a Queen's Scout Certificate in Fredericton, N.B.

of limitations on space, this outline, has of necessity to be brief, but it does reflect the fact that the overall progress and growth of the Movement stems from the activities of the Provincial Councils. Here briefly, is what they have accomplished during 1952.

### Newfoundland

The Provincial Council reports a healthy growth in Scout population during the year, with emphasis placed rather on quality than numbers. Among the many Good Turns reported was the operation of Christmas Toyshops in several parts of the Province. A highlight of the year was the visit of the Deputy Chief Scout, Mr. Jackson Dodds.

### Prince Edward Island

Prince Edward Island enjoyed another active year with a total Membership of slightly over one thousand.

Fifteen registered Scout and Cub camps were held during the summer months with 309 campers building the total camper days to 2,337. In nearly all cases, camping standards showed an improvement over those of the preceding year.

Three Island Scoutmasters attended the Maritime Gilwell Course in New Brunswick. Two Pack Scouters Preliminary Training Courses were held, with a combined week-end camp featuring the last part of these courses. Three Bronze Arrowhead Courses throughout the Province gave Patrol Leaders the opportunity of receiving this training.

Plan Achievement appeared to give an added incentive to established Groups and has resulted in better programmes and greater support by Group Committees and Sponsoring bodies.

### Nova Scotia

It would appear that it will not be long before the total membership of the Province will pass the 8,000 mark. A pleasing feature is that the number of Scouts, which is not showing as proportionate an increase as the Cub section, nevertheless has shown an annual increase since 1940.

Plan Achievement proved of great benefit in inducing more Cubs to gain Second Stars and more Scouts to earn 1st Class Badges. However, the success of the plan cannot be measured only in terms of the actual targets reached by Packs and Troops. The majority which failed to reach their targets nevertheless made considerable progress during the year and it is probably the first time that so many Units had a definite goal for a twelve months period.



Mr. R. C. Stevenson, O.B.E., C.A. who was re-appointed Vice-President of The Canadian General Council.

Besides the usual assistance given to other Organizations, several Districts in the Province featured tree planting notably in East Pietou and Halifax.

Packs and Troops are operating successfully at the School for the Blind and School for the Deaf in Halifax. In addition the Welfare News published by the Department of Welfare of the Province of Nova Scotia carries an article written by Provincial Headquarters offering the programme to any handicapped boys in the Province, but it is too early yet to see if there would be any development along this line.

A Troop is being organized as the Indian School at Shubenacadie. A very successful Troop has been operating for some years at the Nova Scotia School for Boys, Shelburne, which is a correction school, and during the years some of the Scouts have succeeded in reaching 1st Class Rank.

The first Queen's Scout Ceremony was held in Nova Scotia in 1952 on the day of the Annual Meeting of the Provincial Council. It was held in the Red Chamber of the Province House and the parchments were presented by the Lieut-Governor in a very colourful ceremony. Fifty-five Queen's Scouts from all parts of the Province were on hand for this, and in the evening a dinner was held for the Queen's Scouts and their families.

The outstanding Scouting achievement of the year was a canoe trip made by two Dartmouth Scouts along the

Shubenacadie River to the Bay of Fundy and return. The river is tidal and the total journey was 150 miles with one long portage of one mile. The boys were Hugh Boyd, Queen's Scout and Jack Conrad, 1st Class Scout.

### New Brunswick

Membership totals at the end of 1952 indicate a 4% increase over the previous year. Increased activity in the District Councils and Group Committees will help us to grow in 1953. During the year great emphasis has been placed on Group Committeemen courses and nearly every District has now participated in one.

Camping as usual was good with possibly a little better standard of camping. There were 45 registered camps with 1400 boys under canvass and 10,492 camper days.

The Maritime Gilwell camp was very successful and we enjoyed the visit of the Chief Executive Commissioner.

The Rover Scouts had their annual Rover Moot at Hammond River near Saint John.

Our rugged canoe Expedition saw 18 Scouts canoe down the upper reaches of the Saint John River in the State of Maine and finishing their journey at Edmundston 75 miles from the start of the expedition. A Patrol of Scouts took a 600-mile bike hike.

In June at our Capital city, Fredericton, over 120 Queen's Scouts were presented with their certificates by Lieutenant-Governor D. L. MacLaren in a colourful ceremony in the Legislative Assembly Chambers.

During the year the Governor-General visited Fredericton and Saint John and presented Queen's Scout certificates to Queen's Scouts who were unable to be present in Fredericton.

Many new Ladies Auxiliaries are now springing up. In Civil Defence our Scouts have helped in delivery of pamphlets, billeting surveys, organization for messenger service and training in Ambulance and Fireman Proficiency badges.

"Good Turns" included Toy Shops, Help for Red Cross Blood Donor Clinics, search party for a lost airman, delivery of posters for Red Cross, T.B. Seals and St. John Ambulance. We also participated in a Ragweed extermination programme sponsored by the Provincial Government. Scouts in all areas serviced pollen collecting stations for two months.

Two Lone Scouts received their Queen's Scout Badge and one of his Bushman's Thong. One Lone Scout

was presented to the Governor-General on his visit to New Brunswick.

A Provincial Rover Leaders and a Commissioner's Conference were held.

Four Scouts attended the Saskatchewan Jamboree and two the Caribbean Jamboree in Jamaica.

### Quebec

There were 31 registered Scout camps in Quebec last year and the total in boy-days was 23,500. This does not include short term camps, but only those registered. Membership is up by 529 boys to a new high of 10,264, and one new district, Stanstead, has been added during the year.

On June the 6th, 1,000 boys from the Montreal District went to Plattsburg to an International Camporee, sponsored by the Lone Trail Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

The first Quebec Queen's Scout Ceremony was held in Queen's Hall of McGill University on April 5th when the speaker was John Fisher of the C.B.C. The Hon. Gaspard Fauteux, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, graced the occasion by his presence and presented the boys with their certificates. Over 500 parents and friends attended this colourful ceremony which we feel has made Scouting history in Quebec.

Many units have made splendid progress under Plan Achievement. The Plan has been followed widely throughout the Province to the great benefit of Scouting.

Two Cub Wood Badge Courses were held, and one Scout Wood Badge Course at Camp Tamaracouta.

Good Turns have been a feature of every District's activities. There is increasing evidence that boys are putting their training to work in a practical way to the benefit of their communities. Good Turns have been many and varied, including assistance at Blood Donor Clinics, replanting waste areas—some 17,500 trees were planted last year. This, we feel, is only a beginning. We are trying to develop a close liaison with the Canadian Forestry Association and other conservation bodies.

In the field of rugged Scout activities, we take pride in the trip of the Shawinigan Troop through 12 lakes. The boys spent two weeks on this trip, and received commendation from guides and woodsmen alike. The Shawinigan Troop also camped for two weeks, with their only line of supply by canoe. There were no



**Maj.-Gen. D. C. Spry, C.B.E., D.S.O., C.D.,** whose resignation as Chief Executive Commissioner and appointment as Director of The International Bureau, effective November 1st, 1953, was announced.

buildings, of course, and also no cooks or other assistants. The Patrol System was used throughout with great success.

In the field of Handicapped and Lone Scouts, we are pleased to report excellent work at the Children's Memorial Hospital where Phillip Zukerman and other Scouters have done splendid work to the great pleasure of the hospital authorities and the children. The work of Cpl. Jim Archer, of the R.C.M.P. and Miss Winnifred Cory at the Mackay School (for the Deaf and Mute) has borne splendid results.

The Sea Scouts have made two long cruises this year, one to Lake Champlain with the motor cruiser "White Cap" and two whalers. The other cruise went to Lake Ontario and return. Attendance at the Sea Scout base was much higher than usual, and five Quebec leaders attended the Lakefield Sea Scout Conference sponsored by the Ontario Provincial Council. They learned much at this Conference and there is no question about the value of co-operation between Provinces.

### Ontario

With a membership increase during 1952 of 8,516 to a new total of 66,106, Ontario registers its highest membership in history and the largest twelve month increase on record.

As this report was prepared it was too early to assess the results of Plan Achievement in 1952.

There were 326 registered camps during the year and the season generally was considered satisfactory. These figures include only registered camps.

It is not possible to list even a portion of the Good Turns carried out in the Province in 1952. However the biggest general Good Turn was in providing tents for the Caribbean countries, an effort to which Ontario Scouting lent itself wholeheartedly.

Four Gilwell Courses were held at Blue Springs Scout Reserve, two Scout Wood Badge, and two Cub Wood Badge Courses. In addition there were scores of Preliminary Courses and Patrol Leader Training Courses held throughout the Province.

District Organization has proceeded apace. One new District was formed in the Muskoka-Parry Sound area, and six new local associations formed at Burlington, Port Credit, Brampton, Perth, Prescott and Wallaceburg. Many older districts and Local Associations were strengthened.

With the appointment in the fall of P. I. Ward of Sudbury as Regional Commissioner for Northern Ontario, all regions now have Regional Commissioners, who act as Deputy Provincial Commissioners, and work closely with the Regional Field Commissioners. The regional set-up is proving increasingly helpful in administering Scouting in Ontario.

In the International field there was considerable visiting between Troops near border points. Several inter-city weekend visits were carried out and some Ontario Troops camped in the United States.

In the realm of rugged Scouting more and more Troops are taking an interest in winter camping, although the mild winter made this less rugged than it might otherwise have been. Two Rover rallies were held, at Midhurst and St. Williams with 108 at the former rally and 90 at the latter. These rallies started out in rain and ended up in zero temperatures. At Midhurst 102 Rovers slept out.

Interest in Queen's Scout Recognition Ceremonies is increasing. Outstanding among these was the Toronto ceremony, and others were planned and carried out successfully in other districts.

For the second time since 1944 Provincial Finances were in the black at the end of the year. Biggest lift was increased revenue from increased

registration fees. The careful way in which the field was prepared for this change, and the information given on the need for greater income for the Provincial Headquarters saw the new fees come into effect with very little opposition.

Over 60 Preliminary Courses for Scouters were held, and 958 Scouts earned Bronze Arrowhead Certificates at 42 courses and 171 earned Silver Arrowhead Certificates at seven courses.

The Ladies' Auxiliary organization has grown steadily during the year.

The Ontario Sea Scout Committee sponsored two important events in 1952, the first Sea Scout Camporee at Owen Sound and a Sea Scout Leaders' Conference at Lakefield.

Another successful Provincial Rover Moot was staged under the aegis of the Ontario Rover Round Table. This was held at Windsor District's Ern-wigle Camp. The Round Table is also promoting attendance of Ontario Rovers at the 7th World Rover Moot in Switzerland, and at the time of writing was within three or four of its goal of 50 for Ontario.

Badge and Book Sales are a barometer of Scout activity. In 1952 the value of sales totalled \$28,578, as compared with \$21,044 in the previous year.

Other important events on the Ontario calendar in 1952 included the Ontario Staff Conference at McMaster University in Hamilton, adjudged the most useful conference since these were inaugurated. Several Ontario Scouts attended the Salvation Army Jamboree in Holland. Another successful event was the Winter Campers' Course at Blue Springs. The weather was not very co-operative, there being no snow but rain most of the time. While final reports are not available at this time, returns from 133 centres show net receipts from Apple Days to be \$79,735.

### Manitoba and North Western Ontario

The Council's registered membership increased during 1952 by 805 boy members and 38 leaders; this despite the fact that although 20 new Groups were chartered, 27 chartered Groups lapsed or disbanded. The teachers, bankers, clergymen and R.C.M.P. who fill the majority of our leader ranks in rural areas seem to change almost every season, and Group Committees and Sponsors are not usually strong enough to carry on. Total membership comprises 8,864 boys, 826 leaders,

with 122 Groups church-sponsored and 90 Groups sponsored by Communities, Schools and Clubs.

Highlighting activities of the year was leadership training. Ninety District Preliminary or Part I certificates were issued; 264 attended information courses, and 36 Part II camp course certificates were issued.

In the field of boy leadership training, 79 Bronze Arrowhead Certificates, and 59 Silver Arrowhead Certificates were issued. A total of 48 camps were registered, with 329 Cubs camping under 52 leaders and 873 Scouts camping under 68 leaders.

At our Queen's Scout Recognition ceremony in October, 71 Certificates were presented by His Excellency the Chief Scout in a colourful event held in the Legislative Buildings. A complimentary luncheon was given to the boys and their leaders.

An innovation in the financial field was tried out in October when all Cubs and Scouts went "Job Hunting" at "A Dime a Time", to help meet a 50c. registration fee, group funds, etc. A fair success was reported in this first attempt, and we hope for better results in 1953.

We were pleased to be hosts to the 100th meeting of the Canadian General Council in Winnipeg.

Among the big shows staged during the year were a real Western Ice Stampede in Brandon, a Gang Show in Port Arthur and a Cub and Scout Display in Winnipeg.

Highlights in the Greater Winnipeg area were the Annual Hobby Show which attracted over 600 entries; the Swim Club Gala, the Hesketh First Aid Competitions with 23 teams of Cubs; Cub carolling at stations, hospitals, etc., and the Older Boys' Parliament with a Scout "Premier" and several Scout members. Other highlights included a visit by Mr. E. F. Mills, Executive Commissioner for Training at Canadian Headquarters, who was special guest at the 25th Anniversary celebration of the Akela Club; a joint rally of 2,000 Guides and Scouts on Founder's Day; the presentation of 1,500 bulbs to Cubs by the Winnipeg Gladioli Society, and the planting of 300 small pines in our Memorial Park.

### Saskatchewan

The year 1952 was an active one for Scouting in Saskatchewan and progress has been made in all branches.

Although membership during the year decreased slightly, at least 30

new Groups were organized in rural centres.

Highlighting the year's events was the 3rd Provincial Scout Jamboree held at the Little Red River Camp Site at Prince Albert. This was a jamboree of participation with the theme "Preparedness for Emergency" and close to five hundred Scouts enjoyed a very full programme. Representatives attended from British Columbia to New Brunswick with two Scouts from Windsor and one Scout from Detroit cycling to take in the Jamboree. Excellent co-operation was received from various Governmental Departments and other agencies throughout the province. The Jamboree will be long remembered for the most excellent programme and the fine weather. One of the features of the Jamboree was a Queen's Scout Recognition Ceremony at which 38 Queen's Scouts were presented with their certificates by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, W. J. Patterson.

Training continues to receive our fullest attention and we are happy with the number of Scouters who took some form of training or other.

We have been able during the year to give better field coverage than has been done for a number of years and every registered centre was visited at least once.

A number of visitors were welcomed to the province during the year. Among them were Lady Baden-Powell, World Chief Guide, His excellency The Governor - General, Chief Scout for Canada who presented a framed Queen's Scout Certificate to the Lieutenant-Governor making him an honorary Queen's Scout.

The President of the Provincial Council visited various European countries and made contacts with Scouts in each of them.

The Christmas Scout Toy Shop continues to play an important part in our provincial "Good Turn" to those families in need of a visit from the Scout Santa.

Civil Defence has received a great deal of attention and the closest co-operation has been maintained with the Provincial Civil Defence Director. The Executive Commissioner has attended Civil Defence Courses both at the federal and provincial level. The Field Commissioner has attended a Provincial Civil Defence School and assisted at a unior Wardens' School for high school students.

In order to further promote Rover Scouting a Provincial Rover Confer-

ence was held in Saskatoon and a Rover Council set up which will do much to advance Rovering in this province.

Lone Scouts are receiving every consideration and we hope to encourage this work by the re-introduction of the Lone Scout monthly bulletin.

Scouts and Cubs through the province are living up to our motto of "Be Prepared" and it was with a great deal of pleasure that we saw a young Cub at Nokomis receive recognition for pulling a boy who was in danger of drowning out of flood waters.

Two Scouts in this province attended the Caribbean Jamboree and since returning have on a number of occasions given an account of that gathering in Jamaica.

### Alberta

As at December 31st, membership in Alberta recorded a remarkable increase of 25.5% in one year, bringing the total to 11,049 boys and leaders.

Training of leaders was accelerated during the year and 227 leaders took advantage of preliminary courses; 19 completed correspondence courses; 17 were awarded the Wood Badge, and 60 Scouters attended the Prairie Gilwell Course at Sylvan Lake, 42 of which came from Alberta. One attended Gilwell in British Columbia and another in London, England.

Provincial Headquarters recorded 56 registered camps, and 51 short term camps. Over 1,600 boys participated.

Thirty-nine Scouts and Cubs from Lethbridge attended the Scout Circus at Great Falls, Montana, on May 24th.

Good Turns included the operation of Toy Shops at Calgary and Edmonton and assistance with Flood Relief at Medicine Hat.

### British Columbia and Yukon

1952 showed another noticeable increase in membership to the extent of eleven per cent. Particularly encouraging in this figure is the increase in total Scouters which has maintained the ratio of approximately one leader to every ten boys.

Two new Districts were established. The East Howe Sound District, partly water-borne and though only four Groups strong, covers a versatile industrial picture in the four centres. The Omenica District in the Central Northern part of the Province includes an Indian Residential School and in each of the Groups covered by the District, a number of native boys are enjoying the benefits of Scouting.

As the year ends, consideration is being given to the formation of at least one new District during 1953.

With the industrial development in the Central and Northern parts of the Province, Scouting has kept pace through the development of a number of new Groups. The newly developed communities of Kitimat and Kemano on the coast have their own Scout Groups and provision has been made for the establishment of a District in the near future at Kitimat.

Some gains were made during the year in the number of native boys coming within the orb of Scouting. The first Indian Scout Group to be established on a Reservation in British Columbia was started on the Babine Indian Reservation. A number of Indian Residential Schools have their Groups and it is expected that in the near future these will materially increase.

A record in Scouter training was established and the first Rover Leader's Training Course to be given in the Province was staged in Vancouver in the Spring. The first Training Course of any description in the Yukon was given at Whitehorse.

Work among the handicapped boys continues on a successful plane. Groups for those suffering physical handicap as well as sight, hearing, muteness, T.B., etc. are being carried on in Vancouver, Victoria, and Mill Bay on Vancouver Island. The Provincial Industrial School continues to have its Group in operation.

During the Governor-General's tour, Scouting was much to the fore in each of the places visited. In Victoria the turnout was outstandingly good when His Excellency reviewed nearly two thousand Cubs and Scouts on the grounds of Government House. Included in the number was the then recently formed all Chinese Pack.

Carrying out the policy of trying to link up Lone Scouts with local Troops at a reasonable distance has meant a reduction in actual Lone Scout work. While a few boys still remain in this category, success has been achieved in having boys formerly known as Lone Scouts attached to Groups whereby a more personal contact is maintained and they attend occasional meetings. It is intended to continue this practice wherever possible which will result in a minimum number of Lone Scouts but a greater value to the individual boy in the training that he receives.

Interest in Plan Achievement has

been maintained and wherever this has been conscientiously carried out successful results are noted.

1952 may be regarded as not only a year of expansion but as a year of consolidation as well. The continued increase in numbers makes it necessary to be alive to the pitfalls that can result from over expansion. Insistence on proper safeguards to insure continuity for new Groups established is having the desired results.

The joint effort of the self-sacrificing Scouters throughout the Province and the Yukon ably backed and supported by committeemen at all levels makes it possible to report a successful year in 1952 for British Columbia-Yukon Scouting.

### Training Department

The Training Department had a successful year's operation. An overall increase of 1336 persons taking training is shown in the statistical table which accompanies this report. With an increase in our membership, it is to be expected that there will be a corresponding increase in the Department's activities, and there must be a continuous effort to ensure that Training keeps pace with the steady influx of new leaders. It is essential therefore that all Training Teams see that adequate training schemes are available. It cannot be stressed too much, that good Scouting depends on good leadership, which in turn depends on good training.

### Stores Department

The year 1952 saw this department establish another new all-time record in both volume of sales and in "units" of merchandise. Its dollars turnover amounted to \$739,891.29 an increase over 1951 of \$114,607.23 equal to 18%. A total of 1,049,027 "units" of merchandise were disposed of, an increase over the previous year of 188,261 or 22%.

It is of interest to note that 70% of its total business was accounted for through agency stores, 9% through Provincial Headquarters and the remaining 21% through its direct mail order division.

During the year the Stores Advisory Board under its chairman Brigadier Aird Nesbitt rendered valuable help and assistance in policy and other matters all of which is very much appreciated.

Mr. George Ferguson, the Executive Commissioner for Stores, toured the Western Provinces and parts of Ontario during the Fall of 1952, and made personal calls on agency stores.

# AKELA'S DEN



## THE PACK HOLIDAY

By Cubmaster W. H. SMITH

29th Toronto Pack

Here is the second part of the article on The Pack Holiday prepared for *The Scout Leader*. We would suggest that before and after you have read this article you re-check P.O. & R. for regulations about camping for Cubs. If you have had experiences with Pack Holidays, do pass them along to us.

### Planning and Organization

#### PART 2

**E**VEN more than other Cubbing activities, a successful camp requires an enormous amount of careful thought, planning and detailed organizing, well ahead of the camping season. In the paragraphs that follow, an attempt has been made to outline some of the preliminary work that will be needed.

Without writing a book, it would be quite impossible to discuss, even briefly, all the details which must be attended to. Yet the importance of proper planning can hardly be over-emphasized.

"Remember you are making yourself responsible for the safety, comfort and health of your Cubs and that you must not let them suffer by reason of your inexperience. Learn how things ought to be done; plan everything beforehand; arrange every detail; leave nothing to chance; and as far as humanly possible provide against accident or emergency."

Fortunately the organization of a Cub camp is a subject thoroughly covered in books available to every leader. Some of these are listed below.

1. The Wolf Cub Handbook.
2. Wolf Cubs — Gilcraft.
3. The Cubmaster's First Year — Coombs.
4. PACK HOLIDAYS AND CUB CAMPING.

If you are not acquainted with the last named book, it is strongly recommended as a surprisingly complete reference on the organization of a camp. It is an invaluable collection of

detailed information, much of which is impossible to find elsewhere.

Special regulations on Cub Camping will be found in P.O. & R. and these must be followed carefully.

#### LEADERSHIP

The first requirement is an adequate staff of adult leaders. If possible, have one leader for every six Cubs. In any case even the smallest camp must have a minimum of two adult leaders.

"Don't take Cubs to camp by yourself. It may be possible to run a camp in some fashion single handed if everything goes well, but the success and happiness of the camp are bound to suffer; and if anything seriously goes wrong, you may be placed in an impossible position."

Another necessary condition is that Akela and preferably one or two of the other leaders must have had previous experience of camping with Cubs.

Quite as important as the number of leaders at camp is the effectiveness with which you use them. Divide the work of the camp into sections and make one person completely responsible for each. The planning and organizing of a good camp will, indeed, involve so much work that Akela will be well advised to line up his camp staff well ahead of time so that they may share it. One popular scheme is as follows—

1. Camp Routine.
2. Daily Activities.



These young ladies are the Cubmasters and Assistants of the three Packs of the Notre Dame des Sept Douleurs group in Edmundston East, N.B. This outstanding group has 3 Packs, a Troop, a Senior Troop, and a Rover Crew. Judging from the smartness displayed by the Cubmasters, we would say the Cubs are tops.

### 3. Catering, Cooking and Stores.

One of the principal advantages of this "spread the work" system, is that when you actually get to camp, it helps Akela to find the time to study his Cubs as individuals. You can get to know your Cubs better in three days at camp than in months of ordinary meetings; but not if your time is entirely absorbed by a mass of routine detail.

Those in charge of "Routine" and "Activities" should normally be leaders, but the cook need not be. In a large camp, and if the budget will stand it, a professional cook may be engaged. Perhaps the Pack's Mothers' Club can arrange for one or two mothers to handle this end of things.

In the case of a camp a few miles from home, another plan is to arrange a schedule of two Cub Mothers per day, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Transportation of the mothers to and from camp is arranged by the group committee. In this case, of course, one of the Old Wolves will have to take over the stores tent.

While Camp is in the planning stage, the help and backing of an enthusiastic group committee is invaluable. As a matter of fact, if the camp is to be worthwhile, Akela must have strong and active support—and the group committee is the logical place to get it. The District Commissioner and his staff will also be found of great help.

### Scout Instructors

A few carefully selected Scout Instructors can, in their own way, make a real contribution to the success and happiness of the camp. If possible get some of your own old Cubs: you will know what to expect of them and they will be familiar with your way of doing things.

Be sure, in any case, to choose Scouts who can be trusted to set an example of good camping and cheerful co-operation themselves. Cubs notice such things very quickly and it is not too difficult to find Scouts with sufficient sense of responsibility to appreciate it.

At camp, your Scout Instructors should have their own corner of the site, and can well be organized as a small Scout Patrol, the Patrol Leader being responsible for any job assigned to the Scouts as a unit.

Outside of their hours of duty, your Scouts should be encouraged to carry on with activities which will advance their general Scout progress. Akela should discuss this angle with their

Scoutmaster when making arrangements for his Instructors.

It is a good idea to impress on your Scouts that, when helping with a particular Six, they should be tactful enough to "help" and "advise" the Sixer—not to ride roughshod over him. "The little fellow is doing his best."

### Who to Take? — How Long?

Unless perhaps for a very short camp, an overnight picnic in other words, don't think of taking the whole Pack. Camp is not for the eight year olds. P.O. & R. gives ten years as the minimum age, but try not to be too arbitrary about it. Mental and physical development is more important than actual years. On the other hand — if you don't draw a line somewhere and stick to it, you are risking favoritism. It is just one of those ticklish questions.

In any case don't take boys whose medical backgrounds indicate that they will require a lot of special attention. Discuss doubtful cases with the Pack's medical advisor.

The longer the camp, the more skill and experience is required of the leaders. So — unless you are exceptionally well experienced — don't plan on a camp of more than four or five days. For a Pack's first camp, a long weekend is ample.

### Campsite and Equipment

Choosing a campsite is not usually one of Akela's problems, since most Packs camp either on the Group campsite or on a District site. In general a site for a good Scout camp is also suitable for Cubs, with the proviso that special consideration be given the question of accessibility, convenience, and wet weather shelter.

In general, tents are much the best for sleeping purposes, in preference to buildings of any kind. First, your young Cubs will get a much bigger thrill from sleeping in tents. A more practical advantage is that tents can be moved around so easily.

For example, on any given site the best layout of sleeping quarters for a Scout camp is seldom the best for the Cub camp which may follow it. With tents, this point represents no problem at all. Then again, moving the tents between camps helps to give the grass a rest. Dust is no help at all around sleeping quarters.

Of course, a good sized permanent building or a marquee is a necessity for daytime use in wet weather.

The best tent for a Cub camp is a wall tent complete with a fly and a wooden floor providing a 2 in. air

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space between floor and ground. The wooden floor is less comfortable than a groundsheet on top of bare earth would be, but Cubs just can't seem to stay on individual ground sheets, they roll around too much. Then again some parents—and even some leaders—have strange ideas as to what constitutes an adequate ground sheet.

Large groundsheets covering the whole tent floor can seldom be relied upon. Cubs seem to have hobnails in their shoes.

Folding camp cots are recommended by some, but are not very practical. They are expensive and fragile and take up far too much room. Ticks (palliassees) are inexpensive and quite satisfactory, and may be considered a necessity.

There is not space here to go thoroughly into all the other items of equipment required for a good camp. For these, reference should be made again to **PACK HOLIDAYS AND CUB CAMPING**.

Give careful consideration to the location of tents, kitchen, dining shelter, etc. Visit the site with your staff sometime before camp and make up a sketch plan showing the layout you decide upon—ready to be handed to your advance party.

For the sleeping tents pick a site facing South or East, on fairly high ground, but not right at the top of a hill. The site itself should be quite open, but backed up by trees. **DON'T** pitch tents in the bush unless you wish to spend your time treating colds.

On the lee side of camp—not too close, the "prevailing" winds frequently fail to prevail—locate your dining shelters and kitchen, your washing places and latrine. Also choose locations for the flagstaff and council fire.

#### Sixes

A Cub camp is organized in "Sixes", each Six in its own tent. The actual number in the Six will depend on the size of tent. Five, or at most, six in a 10'x12' tent is plenty.

Try not to crowd your Cubs. Overcrowding leads to disturbed sleep and complicates the ventilation problem. Again Cubs with plenty of room are less likely to mislay their gear by day, or to kick it out in the rain by night.

In selecting boys for each tent, try to keep friends together as much as possible. They won't get into mischief any more that way than separately and you will have a happier camp.

#### Health and Hygiene

Certainly the most important single consideration in planning a camp is

the health of the Cubs. Akela's responsibility in this matter is tremendous. First, to parents, who have a right to expect that every precaution will be taken to ensure that Jimmy will return from camp happier and healthier than when he left home. Secondly, to Scouting—that its good name should not suffer in the eyes of parents and the public generally from our carelessness, or lack of foresight.

We bear a responsibility, too, to our Cubs' own futures in the Scout Movement. As Cub Leaders, our job is that of laying foundations. These foundations tend to be lasting ones, whether good or bad, and we must be sure that, however little we teach our Cubs of camping, that little is beyond reproach. Habits of slovenly camping, acquired as a Cub, are difficult to unlearn afterwards.

Neither is there any excuse for an unhygienic camp on the grounds of lack of knowledge. Of all subjects, camp health and hygiene is the one most thoroughly covered in Scouting texts. If in doubt on any point, **PACK HOLIDAYS AND CUB CAMPING** will almost certainly provide the answer.

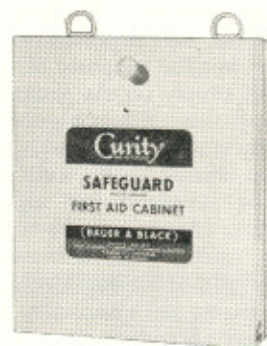
Cleanliness is the most important factor in camp hygiene, and once again Akela's example is half the battle. The other half is the provision of proper facilities.

Because Jimmy doesn't wash his neck at camp—don't jump to the conclusion that he doesn't do so at home. There is a great contrast between the convenience of his bathroom at home and the primitive nature of the washing arrangements at camp. So, naturally, he takes a little coaxing. Again, Jimmy has probably been regaled with stories to the effect that at camp, soap is stuff you wash dishes with.

However, if you will provide proper washing arrangements with plenty of water, wash basins, sheltered if at all possible, with a place for each Cub to keep his toilet articles (not in his kitbag!) and proper clotheslines—you should have little difficulty in bringing Jimmy home scrubbed and shining.

Closely allied to cleanliness is the question of camp sanitation. The erection of the sanitary arrangements is one of the important jobs of the advance party, but the supply of the material they will need must be arranged well beforehand.

A relatively civilized type of latrine is best for a Cub camp, properly shielded and ventilated, kept scrupu-



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lously clean, disinfected, and deodorized with chloride of lime. Each latrine must be inspected carefully each day, not for purposes of competition, but simply on the grounds that it is one of those things a good Scout is most careful of. If the main latrines are some distance off, well latrines should be provided for night use, within, say, 25 yards of the tents, and properly marked with a lantern.

Grease pits for the kitchen and washing places are a necessary part of the sanitary arrangements, and an incinerator is most useful. Each tent should have its own receptacle for waste paper, orange peels, etc. Tidiness around the tent sites is important, and Akela must do his part, by providing the receptacles, and once again by setting an example.

Fresh Air is another important point. Fresh Air is no problem in the daytime, but at night Akela is sometimes forced to strike a compromise between ventilation and mosquitos. Choice of site and season is of assistance here; but mosquito nets are not. They are much too flimsy for energetic Cubs.

One last point — Water. The supply of drinking water must be ample and convenient and must be certified by the public health authorities.

#### Medical Attention and First Aid

A medical examination of each camper, either by the Pack's own physician or by the boy's family doctor, must be given a few days before camp. Arranging for this is usually another little job for the group committee. Arrangements must also be made for medical attention at camp in case of illness is beyond the capabilities of the camp staff.

One of the leaders must be thoroughly familiar with First Aid and must be provided with a complete First Aid Kit, and a special Hospital tent with a cot, a table and chairs. He will have many things to treat which are beyond the bounds of ordinary First Aid and will have the responsibility of keeping tab on the health of each individual Cub.

A few boys will invariably make themselves sick, either by eating too much or too quickly. When Jimmy has got rid of his dinner and has had a couple of hours sleep, he will be as good as new — and he may even have learned a little lesson in self control.

The Cubs must be impressed with the importance of reporting all cuts, etc., to the Hospital tent, no matter how trivial. This may have some un-

expected results. Johnny will report so many imaginary hurts, that he will get to be a nuisance (this is probably just incipient homesickness. Put a bandage on it and he will go away happy and comforted; all he really wanted was the attention). Jimmy, on the other hand, will wait till his throat is so sore that he can't eat, before he will admit that anything is wrong. In both cases the First Aid man has a wonderful chance to show each small Cub that he is regarded as an individual — that Camp is not a big impersonal machine.

Socks sometimes present a bit of a problem. If Jimmy wears them, particularly first thing in the morning when the grass is covered with dew, he is liable to catch a lovely head cold. If he doesn't, you have chafed heels to contend with. Probably ankle socks, changed frequently are as good a solution as any. Incidentally, Cubs at camp *never* change their socks unless urged to.

If there is any Poison Ivy on the

campsite, make sure to teach each Cub to recognize it when he sees it. Encourage them to watch for it on rambles and warn the others.

Sometimes an outbreak of colds will give you some real headaches at camp. The cause of these is usually as obscure as the cause of colds anywhere else, but plenty of sleep and careful attention to keeping the Cubs' clothing and bedding dry and aired will help.

Airing of blankets is a point of real importance. On sunny days blankets should be airing right after breakfast and should stay out till three or four o'clock. Put up plenty of clotheslines. Express cord is cheap and you can't air blankets on the ground.

#### Food and Cooking

Well cooked meals are essential for a good camp. Menus must be carefully planned, well in advance, and must provide for meals which are varied and appetizing as well as balanced and nutritious.



**Left:** The rest period after lunch. It is most important to remember that the Pack must rest after each meal as an aid to digestion. Here Akela reads the Cubs a short story or two as they sit in the shade of a stately maple.



**Below:** Sunday in Camp—Duty to God — The Cub's Own — a quiet friendly service which the boys attend voluntarily.

Meals are one of the few camp activities which must be kept right on schedule. The Cubs will not require much coaxing to meals promptly, but at times it will be a bit of a struggle to get the morning or afternoon programme finished on time.

### The Day's Big Meal

It will usually be found best to have the day's big meal at noontime, rather than in the evening, even in cases where the Cubs are accustomed to the reverse at home.

In figuring quantities, remember that Cubs develop terrific appetites at camp. **PACK HOLIDAYS AND CUB CAMPING** contains a list of suggested quantities but you will find that these have to be used with discretion. Food habits in this country are considerably different.

One or two items of food require special mention. A first class source of pasteurized milk is essential — one quart per person per day. Fresh bread, meat and vegetables must be arranged for and delivery of such items to camp worked out. If the camp is some distance from the nearest town, the milkman can sometimes be prevailed upon to pick up and deliver your daily order of groceries.

Milk will be the principal beverage at camp. On hot days *home-made* fruit drinks (such as lemonade) will be welcomed and on cold mornings, a cup of hot cocoa. Few think it wise to give tea or coffee to Cubs at camp.

Cocoa before bed is a tradition at many camps. In at least one camp, though, it was found that cocoa contributed to restless sleep and the cocoa was replaced by milk and biscuits with most satisfactory results. You may care to experiment with the same alternative yourself, or even to eliminate the bedtime snack altogether, together with the dirty dishes which go with it.

It is most important that the kitchen be properly equipped, both for cooking and for the storing of food. Details will vary with the size, location,

and length of the camp, but must, in any case, be figured out by Akela and the cook well ahead of time.

For a smaller camp, and with cooks familiar with outdoor camp cooking, cooking over an open fire is certainly romantic and Scouty. As the camp gets larger, or where the cooks are not leaders, it becomes necessary to establish a cooking shelter or screened kitchen, with a table, a proper stove, and an ice refrigerator.

### Cub Camp Chores

The Cubs cannot cook, but they can help, and should. Thus they begin to appreciate just how much work is required to prepare meals at camp, and how much care and effort are needed to maintain a high standard of cleanliness.

Gathering wood can become a chore, so make it into a game — have them make themselves a stretcher to carry the wood back on. Other jobs for the boys can be arranged with the cook, but one very common one is dishwashing. This can either be done by each Six in turn or each Cub can do his own.

Shelter of some kind must be provided for the dining tables. If a suitable building is available — so much the better. If not, an awning can be rigged over each table. Food, of course, must never be taken into sleeping tents.

### Camp Canteen

Another camp institution which must be planned for is the canteen. Supplies must be ordered well ahead of time, particularly in these days, and some plan of rationing worked out. Most leaders feel that one chocolate bar or its equivalent per day is the most each Cub should be permitted to purchase; if indeed, enough even for this is available. The canteen should also carry stamps and postcards, if the camp is far enough away from home that the Cubs need to write letters.

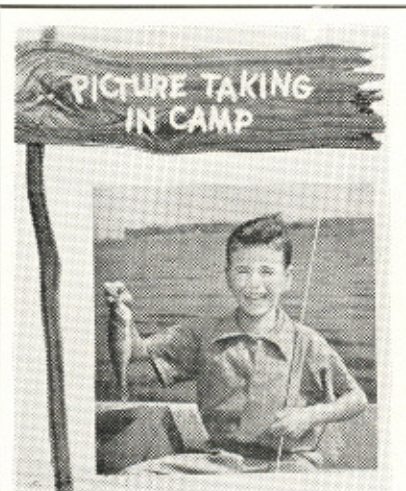
The best time for canteen is during the evening "free time", after supper and before campfire.

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Mount Royal (Monday) Pack	1.60
Sorel Scout Group	5.60
Snowdon Baptist Cub Pack	3.90
Greenfield Park Cub Pack	5.00
Pointe Claire (Thursday) Pack	3.45
1st Sorel Cub Pack	1.05
Knowlton Group	1.40
Bulwer-Birchton Troop	1.00
Franklin Centre Scout Troop	5.00
St. Barnabas Pack	5.00
Highlands Scout Group	20.00
Tetereaultville Scout Troop	5.00
St. Georges Scout Troop	3.30
7th Quebec St. Matthews Pack	2.32
Arvida Scout Troop	2.00
Storer Scout Troop	4.15
Rosemount First United Pack	11.00
Wesley Scout Troop	3.25
St. Marks-Gardenville Pack	1.50
Rosemount United Scout Troop	11.00
York Cub and Scout Group	6.00
St. Mark's Scout Group (Dorval)	10.00
St. Eustache sur le Lac Troop	14.25
St. Ignatius Scout Troop	2.00
Yamaska Valley District Standbridge	
East Group	11.00
Granby Group	8.00
Waterloo Group	5.00
Sutton Troop	1.00
Bedford Group	2.00
Farnham Group	2.00
Adath Israel Pack	8.00
St. Mark's & Gardenville Troop	2.30
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Carrington Rover Crew	3.00
1st Drummondville Scout Troop	2.00
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## ROVER QUESTS.

### The Rover Scout and His Girl

Here is another report from the discussion group on the above subject at the 1952 Ontario Rover Moot. This report was prepared by the secretary of the group and represents the opinions of the Rovers taking part in this session. We hope you will find it useful.

THIS discussion was divided into two distinct parts. For the majority of the period problems were discussed which had to do with the Rover, his girl, and the Crew. During the rest of the time the problems of any young man, not necessarily a Rover and his girl friend were discussed.

In the first section of the discussion a series of five questions were discussed. These being:

- 1) How can the Rover sell her on his being in a Rover Crew?
- 2) How can he sell her that he must do some other service as a part of his Rover work?
- 3) How can he sell her on his uniform?
- 4) How can the Rover introduce his girl friend to the Crew?
- 5) Should some course on the preparation for marriage be enclosed on the Crew's programme?

On the first question it was generally agreed that a girl might object to one's being in a Rover Crew, the reasons given being that she may regard Rovering as "kid stuff", and the Rover is often away on weekends and over holidays, the times when most girls like to go out. On this question it was suggested by some that if the girl isn't broad minded enough to see the good it is going to do you, perhaps she isn't suited for you. Many remarked that the best thing to do is to try and get her interested in the Movement through Ranger work or as an assistant in one of the other sections of Scouting and Guiding. Many Crews make use of their girl friends' typing ability in making out reports and other Crew correspondence. It was generally agreed that one should try to make her aware of the Rover's service to the community, and attempt to interest her in Rover activities.

On the second question, it was offered, that if a girl knows what you are doing as a service, she would not object to your Rovering. A Rover

should attempt to compromise with his girl, but only as long as the girl doesn't ask him to exclude completely all Rover activities including service. The Rover should sell her on the services he is doing by letting her participate herself.

The general consensus of opinion that it is the Rover uniform which causes the most objection among those of the opposite sex. Many girls feel self-conscious, walking or dancing with a "big kid" in short pants. However, it was also agreed that too many Rovers wear only half of the uniform so his girl receives the impression that he is ashamed to wear the full uniform in public. It was the opinion of many that the Rover uniform should be more different from the Scout uniform so that we would not be regarded as "big Boy Scouts" but as Rover Scouts, members of a very different section of the Movement. It was offered that in order to accustom the girl to the Rover uniform as distinguished from that of the Scouts more social evenings in full uniform could be held. In this way she would soon learn that it is a privilege to go out with someone in a Rover uniform. In general it was agreed that we should advertise Rovers by means of our services to the community and possibly by a Rovering column in the local newspaper. The object of this would be to make the public in general accept the Rover uniform just as they would a policeman or a member of the armed forces.

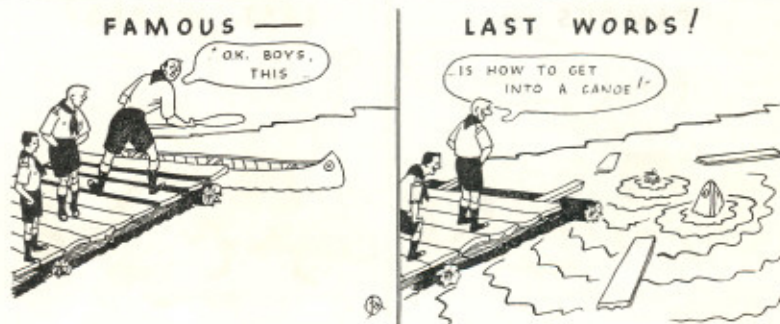
The fourth question, "How can the Rover introduce his girl to the Crew," was taken to mean how can he introduce her to the principles of Rovering, that is, to the Crew as a principle not as a group of young men. It was remarked that social evenings are one of the best ways, since as a general rule, talk will eventually get around to past Rover activities and interesting happenings during them. It was mentioned that some Crews have slides and movies to show their girls some of the Crew work. Another suggestion was that of having a butterfly patrol composed of the wives and girl friends of Crew members to help in Crew functions.

To the fifth and final question of this group, we received a very definite "yes" from everyone present. It was stated that one of the purposes of Rovering is to prepare a boy for manhood and a course in preparation for marriage is of prime importance in making a man from a boy. The Crew should have lectures on the subject by outside speakers, such as doctors, ministers or any authority on the subject. However, it was decided that the Crew definitely should discuss this subject themselves, possibly at the meeting following the one at which the speaker is present.

It is very difficult to report on the second part of the discussion, since it consisted largely of problems brought up by members of the group present.

One of the main items of discussion was that of the problem of shyness of some boys. One solution offered was to join mixed social groups such as Young People's. The Crew itself could help by having the occasional social evening.

The question was also brought up that if the boy is broke should he allow his girl friend to pay his way. It was decided that if they are going "steady" and she is working, such a thing might be permissible. However, the answer to this question would depend largely on the boy and the girl themselves as would the majority of the problems of this discussion.



# NOTES FOR YOUR CAMPING NOTEBOOK

A collection of ideas for your boys that we hope will be useful as you prepare for the grand Adventure of Troop Camp. There is a great deal more to be said on all these subjects and it is suggested that you read carefully, **CAMPING GUIDE FOR CANADIAN SCOUTERS**. If you have any experiences you would like to pass along, do write the Editor.

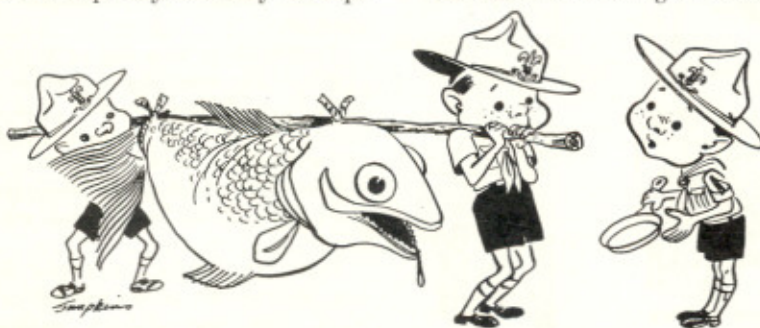
## Fire Lighting and Cooking

Fire building in the open is an art. It must be learned by practice and experience. You must do it yourself in wet and dry weather. You must master it.

Matches are the first necessity. They should be kept dry and may be kept

outside towards the direction of the wind and wait until the match is sufficiently burning before applying it to the shavings. Once the fire is ignited more sticks may be applied as the fire gains in size. Do not monkey with it as this is a sure way to put it out.

The secret of building a fire lies in



in a small glass bottle where they will be both dry and safe, or they may be waterproofed by pouring melted wax into a small box of matches, thus waterproofing them. They can be used by separating each one as it is required.

A Scout knife and an axe should also be on hand. The knife to prepare the kindling, the axe to supply the fuel.

The best wood for starting a fire is the dead limbs of standing trees. Branches found on the ground will do but more often than not these are wet and will not burn quickly. Rotten wood is always to be shunned as it neither burns quickly nor makes good coals. After the fire is started green wood may be used as it is often more slow in burning, thus keeping the fire alight longer without attention.

Having obtained some dry branches, use your knife to whittle some shavings. Whittle six or eight about five or six inches long, stopping the knife each time just before you whittle the shaving right off the stick. When six or eight are whittled twist them off together. Make six or eight such little branches and use these as the foundation of your fire. You may now either pyramid the smallest of your gathered kindling and place the shavings underneath this pyramid or else using two larger sticks placed parallel with the wind direction make a criss-cross of small kindling on these two sticks and place the shavings underneath.

To light the fire after lighting the match, cup it in your hands with the

the proper arrangement of the wood.

The blaze must be fed with a draft, from underneath, the wood must lie so compactly that one stick will ignite another but not so compactly as to exclude a free draught upward. Patience and care is the price of success. Haste ends in failure.

A fire should never be made in a hole. A small fire is the only fire for cooking. Small wood is all that is needed for a fire for cooking. Larger wood is used where heat is required for the body or for drying clothes.

Experiments show that the following is the heat producing qualities of various woods:

Hickory .....	100	White Elm.....	58
Oak .....	84	Cedar .....	56
Ash .....	77	Yellow Pine.....	54
Dogwood .....	75	Poplar .....	51
White Beech.....	65	Butternut .....	43
Hard Maple.....	59	White Birch.....	43



## Hints for Hikers

The old woodsman says, "Never walk over what you can walk around, and never step on anything you can step over".

An army rule forbids drinking while on a hike. Rinse your mouth occasionally but swallow little or no water.

When you rest, throw off your pack and rest completely.

Take an extra pair of socks.

Do not cut branches from living trees.

When you get wet keep moving until you can change into dry clothes, or dry your wet ones while enjoying a good rub down.

Perspiration soaked clothes are as bad as wet clothes.

Never hike in new shoes.



The value of a hike lies in doing things that are out of the ordinary; instead of carrying baseball gloves, take bird charts or flower books.

Do you see individuality in trees and birds or do they all look alike to you.

Boil water or use some purifier, because it is clear and sparkling.

Never cross a grain field and always respect the right of property of farmers through whose land you pass. Close all gates you may use.

Be friendly to domestic and wild animals and they will become your friends.

When going on a hike into the country take a street car to the edge of the city as pavements are very hard on the legs.

Do not forget to take adhesive tape, small roll of gauze and screw top bottle of iodine or other antiseptic.

A neckerchief has many uses—it makes a sling for a sprained wrist and a pack sack for roots and flowers.

Have a bit of fly dope in your kit.

Don't travel by night unless compelled to and then only on a road and with a lantern.

Watch out for loose stones. A wrenched ankle makes a poor travelling companion.



Tree Planting is a wonderful objective for a short or long hike. Ask your District Forester about plans.

If you walk correctly you will not easily tire. To walk correctly point the toes straight ahead and swing the legs freely from the hips. One who knows how to walk never lacks a conveyance.

Rest awhile after a hearty meal.

Remember that a friend is a fellow you would go hiking with twice and resolve that you will be a true sportsman, taking mishaps cheerfully, willing to do your full share of the work, and secure in the knowledge that real worth can most quickly and surely be found away from the veneer of civilization, surrounded by nature's creatures, out where one is really a part of God's great out-of-doors.

### Camp Gadgets

Gadgets are constructed for the further convenience of the Scout in camp.

Gadgets are usually constructed from the small boughs of trees held together with strips of bark for tying or else strong cord.

Keep your eyes open for odd bits of tin, old boards, etc., which help a great deal in gadget making.

Do not forget your own originality counts. Sometimes with a little thought you may produce a gadget to the comfort of the whole Patrol. Gadgets improve the look of your Patrol site. Do not spend all your time on gadgets, but always be on the lookout for a new one to surprise the other Patrols.

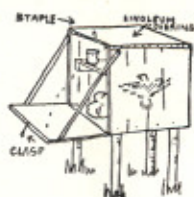
Here is a list which may prove helpful:

mud scraper  
plate rack  
mug rack  
letter box  
candlestick  
grease pit  
wash basin  
wood box  
patrol table  
hunter's fire  
fire broom

kitchen rack.  
shoe rack  
shoe scraper  
towel rack  
sun dial  
clothes line  
bird house  
patrol sign board  
pot hooks  
rock fireplace  
chopping block



POT RACK.



PATROL LADDER.



WASTE PAPER BASKET.



CAMP COAT HANGER.



KNIFE, FORK AND SPOON RACK.



POT CLEANER.



A CAMP CLOTHES LINE.

### Weather and Weather Signs

There is a rainbow in the sky,

Upon the arch where tempests trod;  
God wrote it ere the world was dry;

It is the autograph of God.

All weather signs will fail at times, but this does not indicate that the signs are useless, but merely that some other cause has overcome these signs.

*Fair weather signs:*

When the sun sets in a sea of glory, that is when the sunset sky is red, you may expect clear weather on the morrow.

Watch the smoke from your campfire or chimney. If the smoke rises high it means clear weather. The smoke will also show the direction of the wind as will also a flag.

A gray early morning not a heavy cloudy one, promises a fair day.

*Learn this old rhyme:*

Evening red and morning gray  
Sends the traveller on his way.

Evening gray and morning red  
Brings down rain upon his head.

A heavy dew at night is seldom followed by rain the next day. Think of it this way—wet feet, dry head.

Spiders are good weather prophets. If they make new webs the weather will continue fine. If they continue during a shower the weather will soon clear.

*Signs of rain:*

If the sky is red at sunrise, you may expect several hard tempestuous showers.

If there is a ring around the moon do not count on continued fair weather.

Rain is likely in a day or two.

When the blue sky begins to veil itself in a light gray mist you may know that rain is forming overhead and will soon come down.

When the leaves of the white poplar show their silver lining, look out for rain.

When the camp fire smoke hangs low, or is driven to the ground by the wind, you may expect unpleasant weather.

A brilliant atmosphere so clear it seems to bring far away objects quite near betokens wet weather. The saying is—the farther the sight the nearer the rain.

### Stalking and Tracking

Stalking means following some animal or man; to see without being seen and to hear without being heard.

Of the animals the cat family are the champion stalkers. Watch the domestic cat stalking. See the positions it gets into. Notice that the cat holds itself motionless when it thinks it is being seen. Freeze instantly if you think you are seen when stalking.

Always move slowly. Nothing attracts attention quicker than a swift sudden movement.

Take advantage of every bit of cover you find — ditches, trees, rocks, bushes,



tall grass, hills, etc. Look through bushes and grass, round and not over rocks, hillsides and logs, keep away from the sky line.

Practise stalking wild animals and birds. That's the best way to teach yourself how to cover territory without being seen or heard.

A real Scout always walks quietly and lightly with his weight on the ball of his foot, avoiding dead twigs and leaves, or stones which are liable to make a noise.

Always keep downwind from your quarry. Take advantage of gusts of wind and other natural noises when you want to move closer.

When practising stalking use your eyes, ears and nose at every possible opportunity. You will be surprised how these three senses will improve.

In tracking you follow the footprints or other signs left by an animal or man, who usually doesn't expect to be followed.

In trailing you try to find your way along a trail which has previously been marked by someone.

Trails may be marked by bent bushes, by arrows of wood, by stones, tufts of grass tied and pointing in a certain direction. In the backwoods hunters and timber cruisers lay trails by blazing trees, that is by cutting off a slice of bark. Scouts should not do this as they are liable to injure the trees.

Keep your eyes open all the time when following a trail, observing the trail at your feet and far ahead as well, now and again taking note of passing landmarks so that you may find your way back if you lose the trail.

If you do lose the track go back to the last place you saw a sign, mark the spot and then circle around the place, first small circles then larger until you pick up the trail again.

Stalking lends itself wonderfully to games and the play-way of instruction is the best. Make use of every hike to study tracks and thus build up knowledge by arousing and then answering the natural curiosity of your Scouts.

### Health in Camp

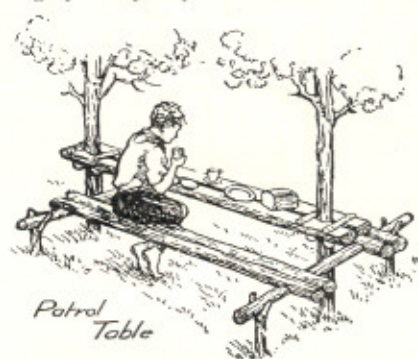
You cannot enjoy camp if you are sick.

Resolve to look after your health by healthy living.

Remember fellows you bring your regular stomach to camp so treat it as carefully as you would at home.

Take time to enjoy your meal. Don't wash it down with cup after cup of tea or coffee.

Wash in cold water and dry thoroughly every day.



Keep your arms and shoulders and neck well protected for the first sunny days.

Sunburns may be as painful as fire burns and are likely to become infected. Only the tenderfoot is proud of sun blisters.

If your eyes smart do not rub them with your hands. Sometimes poison ivy is communicated to the eyes this way. Boracic acid is the only safe eye wash in camp.

Breathe through your nose at all times. A blocked nose can be relieved by snuffling a weak solution of salt and water up the nose and into the mouth.

Swimming is not bathing. Do not be afraid to soap yourself all over at least twice a week.

Get a free and copious bowel movement once a day. A most convenient time is just after breakfast. This should command your special attention in camp as change of atmosphere, water and mode of living sometimes make you constipated. Remember one natural bowel movement is worth many artificial ones produced by medicine.

Remember drink only pure water. Pure water is colourless, clean, free from suspended matter, of brilliant luster, and free from smell or taste. When drinking sip the water slowly.

Get nine hours sleep every night if possible. Sleep alone and always com-

Be Prepared to treat yourself and encourage your boys to tie bandages, etc., on themselves.



pletely change into your night clothes. Many aches and pains can be traced to the act of sleeping in day clothes that have been dampened by perspiration. If you want to get the most out of the day, put in good nights of sound refreshing sleep in a clean, dry bed.

Keep the feet dry. If the feet get wet on a hike remove shoes and your socks and dry your socks by wringing them before continuing your journey.

Do not forget to use the regular Latrine or Kybo only. If caught on a hike remember to dig a small pit that you may later cover with earth and thus help to keep your camp sanitary and clean. Under no circumstances use grass or leaves for toilet paper.

Help in every way possible to protect water, food and milk from contamination.

### SIMPLE REMEDIES

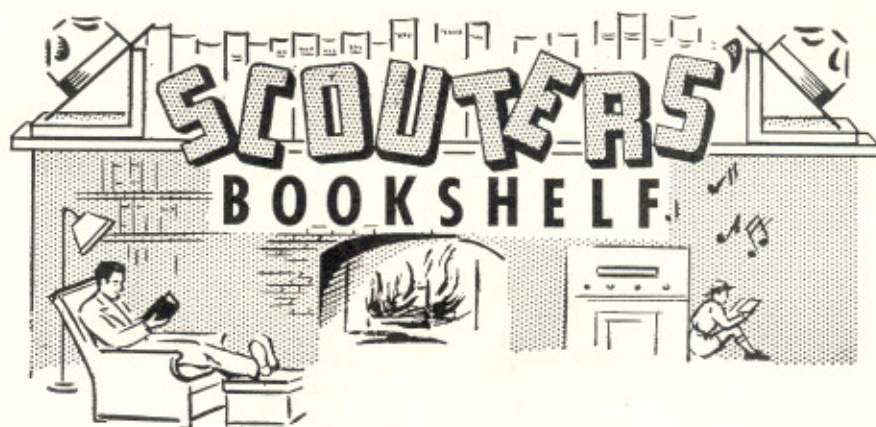
Toothache may be cured by applying a slice of garlic onion. Oil of cloves soaked on cotton is most effective.

Make a strong solution of 3 table-spoons of baking soda in a small bottle of water. Carry this for insect bites, tooth wash or a sick stomach.

Common mud is good for a bee sting. Ordinary bluing as used in washing is o.k. but tincture of iodine is considered the best friend a scout can have in camp.

A hot stone wrapped in flannel makes an excellent substitute for a hot-water bottle.





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We all recognize that the campfire is one of the most important parts of the daily programme in camp and at an indoor meeting. There is something wonderful about the spirit which can be worked into a well run campfire programme. It is difficult to describe the feeling, but perhaps Kipling came closest when he wrote those words: "Who hath smelt woodsmoke by twilight? Who hath heard the birch log burning? Who is quick to read the noises of the night? Let him follow with the others, for the young men's feet are turning to the camps of proved desire and known delight!" This book, written by The Editor of the English magazine, "The Scouter", and the Camp Chief of Gilwell Park, contains a wealth of material designed to help Scouters toward leading thrilling, inspiring camp-

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By Francis Hunt and Alan Lindsay.

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By T. Morris Longstreth.

Illustrated by Herman Fay, Jr.

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By William Charles White.

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Bishop White, the author of this book about our late President, The Honourable and Reverend John Cody, C.M.G., M.A., D.D., LL.D., F.R.S.C., has not attempted to write a "life and letters" of this distinguished Canadian. This book is rather a collection from many of Dr. Cody's sermons and letters with notes by the author who knew Canon Cody as a student and as a personal friend. Although this book is short and sketchy, it does give a clear insight into the outstanding character of this truly great man. In Scouting we know of the great contribution that Canon Cody gave to our Movement. Keenly interested in the youth of our country, he associated himself with Scouting and was elected President of the Canadian General Council. In 1951, Viscount Alexander, in his capacity as Chief Scout for Canada, invested Canon Cody with The Silver Wolf, in recognition of the great services he had performed for Scouting. For an outline of the life of a truly great man of our century, read *Canon Cody of St. Paul's Church*. We are indebted to the author for a moving, comprehensive portrait of a great Christian, Educationist and Statesman.



# HEADQUARTERS NOTICES

## STAFF VACANCY—FIELD COMMISSIONER, CANADIAN HEADQUARTERS

There are at present three (3) vacancies at Canadian Headquarters for Field Commissioners. Applicants for these vacancies should have a good background of Scouting experience and preferably other business or professional training. They will be required to travel extensively throughout Canada, being on call to fill staff positions anywhere in Canada. Starting salary for probationers will be \$3,000.

Applications should be addressed to The Administration Department, Canadian Headquarters, 306 Metcalfe Street, Ottawa 4, Ont.

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## STAFF VACANCY—FIELD COMMISSIONER, PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

The Province of Quebec is endeavouring to find a Field Commissioner with Sea Scout experience. For a probationer with Sea Scout background, the starting salary will be up to \$4,000 depending on experience.

The successful candidate will be resident in Montreal, would take charge of the Sea Scout base and be required to perform the duties of a Field Commissioner in the City of Montreal.

Applications should be addressed to The Administration Department, Canadian Headquarters, 306 Metcalfe Street, Ottawa 4, Ont.

## AMENDMENT — RULE 225 P.O.R. — ARCHER BADGE

On the advice of officials of the Archery Association, who drew up the requirements for the Archer Proficiency Badge, the badge requirements are amended as follows, with the full approval of the Training Department.

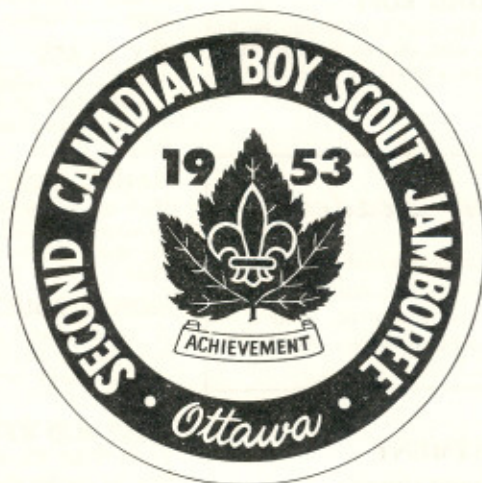
Rule 225. Sec. 2: Change to read: "Make a bow string and with this register an extreme flight of at least one hundred yards."

This section formerly read "make a bow, arrow and string", and it is felt that this is a very difficult task even for experienced adult archers, and much too difficult for a boy, taking up archery as a hobby.

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## CORONATION BEACONS SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 2nd!

An occasional press report of plans for Scout Beacons for the coronation celebration indicates that, in some communities, the beacons will be blazing on June 1st the eve of the Coronation. It is courteously pointed out that the request from Canada's Chief Scout was that a chain of beacons be lit across Canada on June 2nd *the actual day of the Coronation*. The co-operation of Scout Councils and Groups across Canada is requested to make this a uniform Canada-wide Scouting event, with all Scout Coronation Beacons being lit at 9.30 p.m. local time *on the night of June 2nd*.



## THE SECOND CANADIAN JAMBOREE

Reports are coming in from every direction telling of the plans being made for every section of Canada to be represented at THE JAMBOREE OF ACHIEVEMENT.

Tell your Scouts about this great adventure in Canadian Scouting and make sure that your First Class Scouts will be there to see:

- Their Brother Scouts from all over Canada.
- The competition for the best Campfire Blanket.
- The competition for the best carved Scout Staff.
- Demonstrations by R.C.A.F. "Jets", Forestry Department Officials, Provincial Contingents and many more.
- What a thrill it is to build and live in a Scouting City on the edge of Canada's Capital.
- Their beautiful Capital City which belongs to them.

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CONNAUGHT RANGES, OTTAWA

July 18th—26th, 1953



### SCOUT FIELD CAP

A "must have" for wear at the Jamboree when not on parade or visiting the City. 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 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 the Jamboree 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 "Klingite" 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

Make yourself a pair of comfortable Moccasins for wear at the Jamboree. Complete instructions sent with each kit.

Boys' sizes 1-2-3-4-5 and 6 ..... \$3.55  
Men's sizes 7-8-9-10 and 11 ..... \$3.85

### 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

### BLANKETS

The Scouts warmest friend. All wool dark grey with blue stripe. Size 60 x 18 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

## ALL ABOARD!

It won't be long now before this anxiously awaited signal is directed to thousands of First Class Scouts eagerly looking forward to their arrival in Ottawa to attend the Second Canadian Jamboree.

As First Class Scouts it is to be expected that each and everyone will be properly uniformed in the standard Canadian outfit—smart and correct in detail, their deportment and behaviour a credit to the Boy Scouts Association and an inspiring sight to the general public of the Capital.

It is also expected that as First Class Scouts they will arrive at the Jamboree with the necessary equipment that will assure them fun and comfort under canvas—proved and tested equipment as featured in the official catalogue. We list a few suggested items which we consider useful at the Jamboree and for all other outdoor activities.

### CAMP MIRROR

Unbreakable highly-polished steel with hole for hanging up. Contained in special holder.

Price ..... 50c

### EATING SET

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

Price ..... \$2.35

### 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

## Attention! Contingent Leaders

If you require bulky equipment—tents, ground sheets, blankets, camp grids, camp grills, etc., for the Jamboree, your order can be delivered at the camp site on your arrival. Will save you the bother of packing heavy gear.

### THE STORES DEPARTMENT THE BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION

306 Metcalfe Street  
Ottawa

### 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.

Price ..... \$4.75

### WATERBOTTLE

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

Price ..... \$3.50

### MATCH BOX

You'll find this waterproof box very handy for keeping matches dry. Has ring for attaching to belt swivel.

Price ..... 95c

### DELTA LANTERN

Has 800 foot spot beam. A dandy light for camp use. Sturdy case mounted on metal base.

Price with battery ..... \$5.45

### MIDGET LANTERN

A small all-purpose lantern of high quality but low price. Handy for camp and specially suited for attaching to bicycle.

Price with battery ..... \$1.45

### SPY GLASS

A six-power tubular telescope with a wide field of clear vision. Convenient to have at the Jamboree.

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

A "should have" for the Jamboree. Solid brown leather with snap fastener and loops for attaching to belt.

Price ..... 85c

### FIRST AID KIT

Every First Class Scout should be able to render First Aid. The Kit contains the required essentials for that purpose. Contained in smart metal box with hinged cover.

Price ..... \$1.50

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