

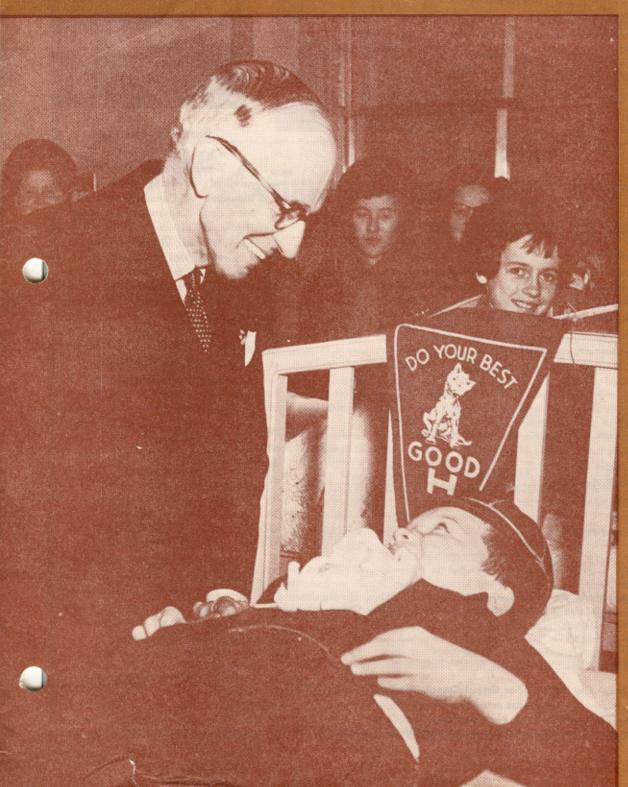
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On a tour of the Alberta Red Cross Hospital for Crippled Children, His Excellency the Governor General, Rt. Hon. Vincent Massey, C.H., Chief Scout for Canada, chats with a Wolf Cub patient.

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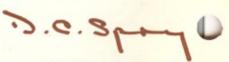
Farewell Message

s your Chief Executive Commissioner since 1946, I have had the privilege of being associated with thousands of Canadian Scouters who have done such magnificent work for the Scouts of our country. Much has been achieved in the post-war years. I know full well that this progress and development is the result of the splendid efforts of the many Commissioners, Scouters, Committeemen, and Ladies' Auxiliary members, working together as a team. For me it has been a great pleasure and a very happy experience to be part of this team.

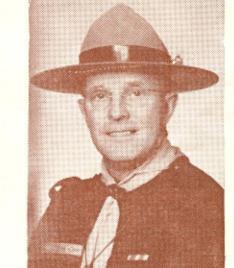
In my new duties as Director of the Boy Scouts International Bureau I shall naturally continue to watch with a very personal interest the future of Canadian Scouting. I have no doubt you will march forward under the splendid leadership which the Association enjoys in all its Councils. I know you will give Mr. Fred J. Finlay, my successor, all the friendship, co-operation, and loyalty, which you have all given me on every occasion.

Present and future opportunities and possibilities for Scouting are tremendous. I know you will all do your part in making Scouting equal to the opportunities and aware of the possibilities.

Good Scouting, Canada!



Chief Executive Commissioner





IN MEMORIAM

William L. Currier

Deputy Chief Executive Commissioner

Commissioner of The Boy Scouts Association in Canada, laid aside his uniform in death on Monday, August 24th.

With his sudden passing, Canadian Scouting suffers the loss of one of its best known, best loved and most influential Scouters. For well over 40 years, as boy and leader, he had been associated with the Movement in Canada.

From every part of Canada and from overseas have come expressions of regret and tributes to his qualities of heart and hand and mind to Canadian Headquarters.

Mr. Currier suffered a severe heart attack in January, and after spending many weeks in hospital, was sufficiently recovered early in May to return to his duties for part time work. While recovery from his ailment was slow, his associates at Canadian Headquarters had never ceased to hope for his eventual complete recovery. However, a series of attacks on August 23rd, followed by a fatal attack the following day, brought his long and distinguished career to a close.

No one at Canadian Headquarters, or possibly in the Movement in Canada was better informed on all phases of Scouting than was Bill Currier. No one was more zealous in keeping to the fore the fundamentals as laid down by the Founder, and no one was more jealous of the good name of Scouting. His passing is a grievous loss to Scouting throughout the country, and especially at this time, when a change in the Chief Executive Commissioner's office is being made.

Mr. Currier first entered the Movement as a Scout with the 1st Ottawa Troop at Dominion Church. He had not been a Wolf Cub, for Cubbing did not exist when he was of that age. After graduating from Ottawa Public and High Schools he attended the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph, graduating in 1920 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture.

He first joined the staff of Canadian Headquarters (then known as Dominion Headquarters) in 1926 as Office Secretary. He had also served for a short time as Ottawa District Secretary. In 1927 he was appointed official reader for Correspondence Training Courses, and up until he assumed the office of Deputy Chief Executive Commissioner in 1946, he had read between 6,000 and 7,000 studies. His knowledge of the fundamentals and the mechanics of Scouting, and his wide experience in the field of leadership, made his advice invaluable to hundreds of young Scouters taking these correspondence courses.

In 1936 he was appointed Executive Commissioner for Training (then known as Assistant Commissioner for Training). He filled this office with distinction for ten years, until his appointment as Deputy Chief Executive Commissioner, and since that time has been a source of help and inspiration to those who have succeeded him in the Training Department.

Mr. Currier was an unusually gifted organizer, and played an important part in the organization of the Canadian contingents to the 1929 World Jamboree in England, the 1931 World Rover Moot in Switzerland, the 1933 World Jamboree in Hungary, the 1935 World Rover Moot in Sweden and the 1939 World Rover Moot in Scotland.

Mr. Currier took advantage of practically every leadership training course available, and he served (Continued on page 36)



Dear Sir:

In order to relay best wishes and kind words to some leaders scattered throughout the Dominion, I am taking this method of doing so.

I have just recently returned from a vacation in Jamaica, B.W.I. While there, I contacted Scout Headquarters. They were extremely kind and generous to me.

The Canadian contingent to the Carib-

bean Jamboree in March, 1952, is still being talked about. The group left a very favourable impression, particularly the assistance given by the Rover Scouts. They expressed interest in the 2nd Canadian Jamboree, regretting they could not afford to attend, having sent a contingent to the Coronation.

Some of the people I met,-Mr. Donald Fitzritson, Mr. Irwin Jones, Mr. Percy Jarrett, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Rose, Mr. Polack and Mr. Moore at Doncaster, Mr. Edward Randall, Morant Bay, Mr. Donaldson at Sevens Estate (May Pen), all asked very kindly after the Canadian contingent leaders, Messrs. John Snow and H. C. Northcott and also for Mr. John MacGregor.

I had the privilege of visiting a Group Committee meeting in Morant Bay, who were facing the problem of raising money for camp and obtaining leaders; a meeting of the 6th St. Andrew Pack, who incidently have the same scarf colour as my own group; and Kintyre Camp.

Our Apple Day seemed to have caught their interest. At the Military Tattoo held on Coronation Day, the Scouts sold apples for a shilling each; they told me, apologetically, they had had to use New

Zealand apples.

In closing, I must say that it was a wonderful experience to go to another country and to be welcomed so whole heartedly by another Scout group.

Yours truly, John Melville, Cubmaster, 1st Deep River "C" Pack, Ontario.

W. L. CURRIER . .

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for a great many years as a volunteer leader with the 14th Ottawa Troop at St. Andrew's Church, and at his death was a member of the Group Committee.

He was never so happy as when entertaining Scout guests in his hospitable farm home on the Rideau River. Hundreds of Canadian Scouters, and many from overseas enjoyed his unostentatious hospitality. In all his efforts in this line he was warmly supported by his wife, Mrs. Ishbel Currier, the only daughter of the late Dr. James W. Robertson, who served as Chief Commissioner of The Boy Scouts Association from 1919 until his death in 1930.

In February, 1944, in a series of articles introducing members of the C.H.Q. staff to readers of The Scout Leader, the Editor said of Mr. Currier:—
"He believes passionately in B.-P. Scouting, its principles, its methods, its practice, its results." That in essence sums up his life—a life of unswerving and unending devotion to Scouting and all it stands for.

Earlier this year, in the B.-P. Honours List, Mr. Currier had been awarded the highest decoration for distinguished service, the Silver Wolf. He had previously been honoured with the Medal of Merit and the Silver Acorn.

Led by a representative of His Excellency the Governor General and Chief Scout, and Maj.-Gen. D. C. Spry, Chief Executive Commissioner, a distinguished company attended the funeral service in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church on August 27th. A magnificent tribute to his life and work was paid by the Rev. Dr. Ian Burnett, pastor of St. Andrew's Church, of which he was an elder and tireless worker. A guard of honour of Queen's Scouts preceded the casket at the church and at Beechwood Cemetery where he was laid to rest. Scores of floral tributes from every Province and from other countries bore mute testimony to the place he had occupied for so

long in the Scouting world.

We know that his host of friends everywhere will join with those of us who worked so closely with him, in extending to Mrs. Currier, his son James, and daughters Dr. Ishbel Currier, Dr. Ann Currier, Mrs. Lloyd Craig and Catherine Currier deepest sympathy in their irreparable loss.

Camp Chief's Tribute to W. L. Currier

"I learned with very great regret of the passing of Bill Currier who had been a Member of the Gilwell Training Team for many years.

I knew Bill Currier first through correspondence and later he was to be my companion and guide on my journeyings in Canada in 1950. I shall remember him always for one particular act of kindness which

I think was typical of the man.

On arrival in Canada I happened to mention that my old nurse was living in your country; I told Bill where she was living and said that if it was possible to visit her I would gladly do so. I thought no more about it until mid-way through my tour when we were at Blue Springs and it seemed to me that the usual impeccable arrangements were breaking down as I could not see from my itinerary where we were going next. Bill was very cagey about answering my questions and finally I said "Bill, I really must know where we are going". He smiled and said, "I have re-arranged the programme so that you can see your old nurse." This meant a detour of over two hundred miles, but he brought very great joy to an old lady by his thoughtful act and, not least, to myself. There have been few acts of kindness, and I have experienced very many, which have impressed me so much as this one of Bill Currier's. His memory will live, not merely for his work in connection with Scouting but in the hearts of many of us for his great thoughtfulness towards other people.

> John Thurman Camp Chief—Gilwell Park."

SONG LEADING IS SIMPLE

When the business of the evening had been attended to we gathered around in a circle to sing the good old songs of Scouting. In the course of the singing one song, "Back to Gilwell" required each "Cub" present to bring in his own version, the Pack joining in on each chorus. Around the circle it went, from one to another, some in tune and some badly out. Cubmasters with "years of experience" bellowed forth lustily, others mumbled their lines in abject misery, all joining in with relief in the chorus. At the end we sat for a moment to rest our aching ears. Suddenly one of the senior Old Wolves spoke up in words to this effect—"Well, I must say—there's not a singer in the lot of you—How you ever teach singing to your Cubs I don't know!"

Deeper silence! The fact that this Leader possessed a very fine voice did nothing to ease the situation. Nobody said a word. And yet, I know, every mind was thinking furiously, and I said to myself—"Great Scott! We stress EFFORT, not ABILITY to our boys. Must we then ourselves be perfectionists?" And I wondered about the other leaders present. Surely this problem of songleading was and is and always will be a headache for the tone-deaf majority of Leaders. Yet singing is a large part of Cubbing, must Cubbing suffer because of our lack of ability? And with this thought I come to you with this note of encouragement. YOU DON'T NEED TO SING TO LEAD A SINGSONG. Believe me—you don't!

So! You think you can't hold a successful Campfire, just because you can't carry a tune! Nonsense! It doesn't matter how well or how poorly you sing, how softly or how loudly—you are never heard after the first two bars anyway—if the Pack is singing. And therein lies the key to successful song leading.

Gather the Pack in a close circle, squatting. Pick a simple song, with a well-known tune, one the whole Pack knows. Recite slowly the words once or twice, then get ready. With their eyes on you, utter the first few words, in or out of tune. The boys join in, and you are completely drowned out. From then on you need only follow the lines in your mind or with your mouth, to encourage the boys, but let them do the singing.

Bear in mind always that the rhythm is the important thing. Too many fine songs are ruined around the campfire by being sung with an utter disregard to tempo. If necessary, a bit of arm-waving helps keep them in the swing, giving them a guage to follow and prevent the song going too fast or too slow. You will find that no musical accompaniment is necessary after the Pack has caught onto the idea of voice only singing. From then on they will soon pick up the individual rhythms and little or no coaching will be needed.

Above all, remember that the boy is not there as a critic. If he tells you your singing is terrible, tell him his is too. If the words are to his liking he will sing. If he doesn't care for the song, he won't sing. And no power on earth can make him. Singing is for pleasure, it must not and cannot be forced. If the Leader can not sing, can't even tell one note from another, the situation is still easily remedied. Each Pack has one or more boys with good voices. Let them do the work. Let them start the songs and teach the words and tunes. Only don't do it as though you are desperate. Let them think you are giving them a great privilege in asking them to do this little duty, leading the old songs, teaching the new ones, perhaps taking turns at it. Believe it or not, you can run a whole Campfire without singing one word or one note. Encourage the boys to do the singing, and when a visitor comes, ask if he or she would like to teach the Pack a song.

It's kind of sneaky, I know, fooling the Pack this way, but it works. So don't deprive your Pack of the pleasure of singing simply because you yourself have no voice. Stand up in the middle of the circle, announce the song, take a deep breath, open your mouth wide—and throw yourself into it.

Hamilton Ladies Auxiliary--Presidents' Dinner

Seventy-five Presidents and Past-Presidents of the Executive Board of Ladies' Auxiliaries, Boy Scouts Association held their Annual Dinner at Fischers' Hotel on January 19th, 1953. Mr. J. G. Hamilton, President of the Executive Board, welcomed the guests who included presidents and past-presidents from Stony Creek, Aldershot, Dundas, Burlington Beach, Winona and Grimsby. Special guests included Mrs. Gordon Williams, wife of the Executive Commissioner, Mrs.

Edward Gawley, wife of the Assistant Executive Commissioner and Mrs. A. S. Fleming, wife of the Field Commissioner for South Central Region.

Following the dinner the programme for the evening consisted of lively games, sing-songs and a skit entitled "The Camp Nemo Gay Rancheros" performed by the officers of the board.

The formation of a Gold Pin Club which has been pending for some time, which would consist of all past-Presidents of Scout Auxiliaries was given a beginning by the enrolling of all interested. This club will provide for a continued association of those out of office and a retained interest in all Scouting. It is starting under the leadership of Mrs. Elsie Moses, past-President of the 2nd Sea Scout Auxiliary, assisted by Mrs. W. Carpendale, past-President of the 11th Boy Scout Auxiliary. It should fulfil a long felt need.

ETHEL W. CLIFFE, Corresponding Secretary.

For Your Games Book

Games for the Pack Life Boats

The Pack is on a sinking ship. Akela is captain. He calls out an order, then a number. The number indicates the capacity of each lifeboat. The order must be obeyed before anyone gets into the lifeboat. Those who did not find a place in a boat lost their lives. If "five" is called, Cubs must endeavour to find a place in any group of five Cubs, anywhere in the room. Any boy who does not find a boat is drowned. Cubs must run backward, and not forward.

Glory or Death

Two teams each with a small piece of chalk. Chalk two 1 ft. circles at each end of the hall; on word go, each side endeavours to chalk a cross in the goal of the opposing side; at the same time try to stop a cross being put in their own circle.

Robbing the Mails

This is an exciting new version of the old game "General Post". The Cubs stand around in a circle and each Cub takes the name of a town. They are mail carriers who will set out with valuable mails for the towns named. Akela calls "Letters for Toronto and Montreal", and the two Cubs named must run to change places.

Games for the Troop

One Scout is armed with a paint brush and a can of red water colour paint. He lays a trail of blood (paint) on sidewalks, posts, or on top of the snow. Rest of the Troop are hunters, and try to track down the wounded bobcat. When caught, the bobcat may fight back (with paint brush), and any Scouts marked with paint are "dead". Bobcat must be captured.

Tracking and Kim's Game

Observation and deduction tending to self-reliance. In tracking, begin by noting "sign". Watch other people and note peculiarities. Then try following your own sign, such as footprints on the ground. Next follow other's sign. For this test, mark out trail in Scout signs, with occasional footprints. Embody detective clues in games. Play one Scout has lost his memory, others question him to find out where he lives. Train senses to work together by practising talking and listening simultaneously. Recognition of sounds, tastes, smells and feeling while blind-fold. Try disguises and errors in uniform wear. Have plaster casts of specimen tracks, and use a sandstrip in the Troop room. Kim's Game is not confined to the test. It should be carried on at every possible opportunity to make Scouts observant.

Lighting Candles at Sea

A good sized round bottle is placed on its side on the ground, and across this a small board. The traveller with a lighted candle in one hand and an unlit candle in the other, seats himself on the Board, feet extended to full length, in line lengthwise with the bottle, with the heel of one foot resting upright on the toe of the other. He then endeavours to light one candle with the other.

Staff Relay

Patrols in relay formation. The Scouts in front each have a Scout staff. At the word "go" these Scouts bend down and shoot the staff up through the line of legs till it reaches the back Scout, who grabs it, rushes to the front and shoots the staff through again. And so on until all have had a shot. First team to finish wins. They must, however, stand at attention in a straight row.

"Up and Down"

This game is called "Up and Down". You need a small object such as a cotton reel or piece of wood. Patrols in relay formation with space at both front and rear. On signal the front man passes the object through his legs to the next man and on to the rear of the Patrol. The rear man runs with it to the back wall, and while he is doing this the Patrol flops on the floor. He then runs to the front of his Patrol, jumping over each Scout's body. When he arrives at the front the whole game is repeated. The first Patrol back in its original position wins.

Ambulance-Electric Shock Race

Each Patrol is formed up in line as for an ordinary race. Between the start and finishing point is a highpower electric cable represented by a line of cord, in contact with which is one victim per Patrol. The Patrols have to rescue their man and take him to the finishing point. Any Scout, who in the opinion of the judges, himself gets a shock is also laid out and has to be rescued.

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17 (a) Many Akelas, myself included, might be inclined to say that the greatest value of Handicraft work is that it keeps a group of Cubs quiet for a time. But in such quietness the Cub learns many things. He learns to use his mind and his hands. He learns that he must concentrate on his work if he is to produce something worthwhile. He is able to express himself with colour, design and ideas. He learns patience-taking time to do things properly and trying over and over until he achieves the desired effect. He learns usefulness and thrift in finding he can save money by making things for himself and as gifts. And finally, he learns the pleasure of seeing, and having admired by others, something he has created with his own

17 (b) While some Cubs are very clever at Handicraft work, I have found that the majority, however enthusiastic, soon lose interest if the work is too intricate, or takes so long it has to be left "til next time", so my first rule in Handicrafts is "quickly and easily".

If work is done in small groups at the home of Akela, one of her Assistants, or one of the Cubs-and this is the ideal way-I think the best type of Handicrafts for Cubs is small articles made from plywood, such as tie racks, wall plaques, or simple toys -wall board, or masonite made into games, hot dish mats, pictures, etc., or useful articles made from discarded containers-tin cans painted, and lined as earring boxes, match boxes painted, shellacked and glued together to form tiny chests in which to store small articles; or any fairly easy creative work involving simple easily obtained materials.

My Pack has had little Handicraft work in this way, up to now, as it has been impossible to get enough leaders or parents together more than once a week (our meeting night) and also to find a convenient corner available. But we have had Handicrafts, nevertheless, by setting aside certain nights as Handicraft Nights—not too often, and usually as a reward for good behaviour and diligence in test work. We have our opening Grand Howl, etc., then perhaps a couple of short games, and the rest of the

Trigger Topics:

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Leaping Ahead By THE REV. JAMES GOODMAN 1st Liverpool

KELA's hand dropped from making the Cub Sign and 20 other hands did likewise, as Jamie with knees knocking a little but gaining confidence having successfully made his Promise in front of the Pack, saw the smile on Akela's face, and heard the friendly words:

"You are now a Wolf Cub, and one of the World-wide Brotherhood of Scouts".

What warmth there was too in that kind of handshake.

"A real Wolf Cub," thought Jamie "and one of the Scout Brotherhood, too.'

Akela thought: "A Scout in the making.

Now because Akela was wise, he knew that there are several stages in leaping. The run begins, slowly at first, but gathering speed and confidence. And then the leap, and that leap should combine all the eagerness and knowledge of Cub life and carry Jamie right over the mark.

The Run

Jamie had begun to run. Sure, it was slow at first, but as he got his eyes open, and as he neared the mark for the leap, he could see more clearly the bark beyond on which he must

Somewhere he had read: "Most of you know by sight the badge of the Boy Scouts-the arrow head with the two stars on its outer wings. Do you know what those stars mean? They are the two bright eyes of the Wolf Cub before he became a Scout, meaning that the Scout remembers the clever things he learnt while he was a Cub."

As, yes! the old Chief, he remembered, had written those words in the Seventh Bite of the "Wolf Cub's Handbook."

Slowly indeed did he begin, for the Cub gives in to the Old Wolf, the Cub does not give in to himself. That was not a very easy part of his run. It took

time to learn how to do, but Jamie made it, and knew that if he could keep the Cub Law he should find the Scout Law not so difficult a thing to

But now his run was quickening, Jamie was keen to do his best and the leap he was to make must be his best. He could hear the encouraging shouts of the others-"One, Two, Three Woof!"

His two bright eyes were shining, for he had learned to run well. He had run with the Pack for almost three years. He had indeed learned many clever things-things he would not forget, for they were to be not only useful to him but the very foundation of the greater leaps he was to attempt.

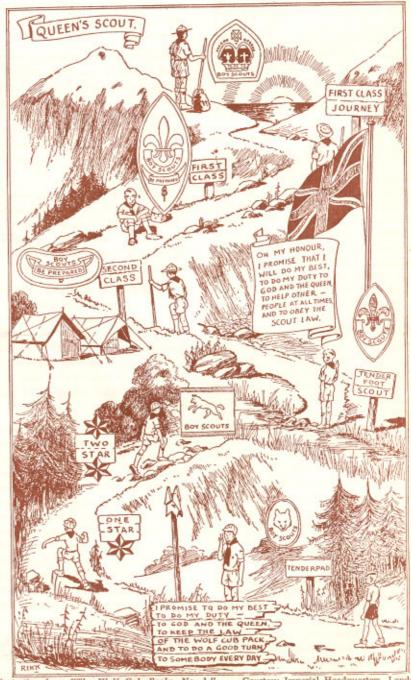


Illustration from "The Wolf Cub Books, No. 1."

Courtesy Imperial Headquarters, London.

His life in the jungle; his gaining of both eyes open; the outward mark of proficiency on his right arm; the proud wearing of the Leaping Wolf Badge on his breast-were all symbolic of a good run and were to stand him in good stead when he made that

And so Jamie leapt-a leap which took him ahead. Amidst the excitement and the somewhat disturbing thoughts of parting, he knew that the Leap must be made with confidence; and with all the knowledge of those years put into the leap it would not be so terrible after all.

"You have travelled through the Jungle lands and your eyes have been opened to see many wonderful things. You are saying good-bye to the Jungle-you are on your way to the greater land of Scouting with the call of Good Hunting."

Yes! That was Akela's voice, but what was this other voice saying? It was not a new voice, it had become quite familiar to Jamie. It, too, was friendly.

"We are glad to welcome you to the Troop-here you will find adventure and happiness and where all you have learned in the Jungle will help you."

The Leap

Jamie had made the leap. What did skipper say? "And all you have learned in the Jungle will help you."

Jamie was amongst friends-they were all members of the great Brotherhood of Scouts.

Not all Jamies have been successful. Some have stumbled before the leap; others have not leaped at all. Akelawill your Jamie take the leap with encouragement and confidence, as Jamie did? Or will you be the one responsible for his stumble so that he won't reach the mark-or worse still won't leap at all.

Father Wolf had learned to check his leap in mid-air-but that is the perogative of an Old Wolf. A young Cub is a young Cub and will often stumble. Jamie should not stumble.

Akela! You have many Jamies.

Does their Jungle life and Star work mean that they have the foundation of knowledge for their First Class, Camper, Pioneer achievements as Scouts?

When Jamie got his Collector or Observer or Gardener Badges, was yours the joy of knowing that he should achieve his Bird Warden, Gardener, Starman, Stalker, Tracker, Naturalist Badges?

Did his Guide Badge lead him to the Explorer, Pathfinder, or his Homecraft or Toymaker advance his usefulness in gaining his Basketworker, Bookbinder, Carpenter, or Leather-

Did those camp fires, singing and jungle dances help him to become an Entertainer, Folk Dancer, Musician?

Akela-has your Jamie advanced from the stage of Mowgli's admission to the Free People? It is pleasant to play with pebbles in the moonlight, but Mowgli had work to do and to learn. Look well, O Wolves! is still the cry for us Old Wolves. Look well! For who knows just where that leap will land Jamie.

Listen again to the Old Chief; "Our object in taking up the training of a Scout is not merely to devise a pleasant pastime for the Scouters or for the boys, but to improve the efficiency of the future citizens of our Empire." (W.C.H.B.)

Akela-your responsibility is the run and the leap; the landing belongs to the Skipper. May he be as wise as Akela.

So take courage, Old Wolves. Our task is the better for our facing the real facts of this great and happy game of ours. Jamie must leap-and he must go leaping ahead. That leap is worthwhile. Don't let Jamie down for the run is so important before the leap.

"As the creeper that girdles the tree trunk, the Law runneth forward and back-For the strength of the Pack is the Troop, and the strength of the Troop is the Pack."

From "Scouting in N.S.W."



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How to Raise Money for Troop Funds By Bob Stark

Scoutmaster, St. Martin's Troop, Gander.

Rules to follow when raising money are laid down in POR: Funds have to be earned and not solicited; methods must not be contrary to the law or encourage boys in the practice of gambling, or be construed as using The Boy Scouts Association for commercial purposes; Scouts may not handle the money themselves, but may use sealed containers.

The Scoutmaster's First Year gives details on these methods: entertainments, displays, odd jobs Fair booths, planting trees, auto name plates, collecting rags, collecting waste paper, spring clean-ups, selling newspaper advertising space, ushering, a motor show.

Here are the details on some additional methods that have been tried by troops at various places across the Dominion.

1. Bottle and Glass Collections, Make sure of the markets beforehand. Soft drink, milk and other name bottles can be returned to the manufacturers. Drug bottles can be used by retail or wholesale druggists. Broken bottles and waste glass might be suitable for reuse by glass makers. As in all collections have adequate publicity, use sleds or wagons to pick up from the houses. Ask your Group Committee to do sorting and selling.

Refreshments at Church or Community Events. Contact group putting on event well in advance. Keep the refreshments simple and not too much variety. Bacon sandwiches and coffee, freshly made, have great aroma selling power. Soft drinks are easily handled. Make sure those handling food wear aprons and are spotlessly clean and tidy.

3. Work Day. Based on the "Bob-ajob" plan in Britain. Some troops try
this during the Easter Holidays each
year. All homes in the district are invited to use a Scout for an odd job
on this day. Typical jobs are cleaning
windows, silverwear, shoes, floors;
shopping and other errands; painting
or whitewashing. No materials and

tools are provided by the Scouts. At the end of the day the employers put the amount of money the job is worth in an envelope which the Scout turns into Work Day HQ. Most amounts are generous, and very rarely does anyone take unfair advantage of the young workers.

4. Selling Subscriptions to a Magazine. This works best with magazines that are not easily available, for example there are several excellent English magazines that most Canadians have never seen. Make sure the magazine is of good quality.

 Delivering Circulars. Contact local merchants and offer to deliver circulars for sales, etc. Make sure every house is covered.

 Delivering Calendars at Christmas.
 Contact the firms and merchants in November. During the delivering have an older boy with bike to deliver to any difficult addresses.

7. Cutting and Delivering Christmas

Trees. This can be used only when trees are available and can be cut nearby. Take orders early in December.

 Clearing Snow from Walks and Driveways. Best worked as a contract for the whole winter. Assign boys to the various jobs, have substitutes in case of sickness or other occurrences.

9. Baby Sitters. Works best with the older boys, also with those who have babies at home. Special instruction on what to do in emergencies should be given. Most parents prefer Scouts as they are so reliable.

In jobs that continue for several months it is best to credit part of the money earned to those Scouts who did the actual work. This could be applied to the Scouts camp fund, or in any way the Court of Honour might decide.

Whatever method you have of raising troop funds, be certain to keep careful and detailed accounts. Members of the Group Committee could help in this.

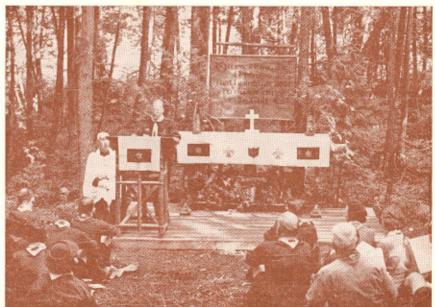


Photo Courtesy Art Loranger, Weiland.

"To the Glory of God and in Memory of Robert Stephenson Smyth Baden-Powell and all who have followed his leadership in the Boy Scout Movement", this beautiful chapel site was dedicated recently at the Gilwell Re-union at Blue Springs Scout Reserve, near Guelph, Ontario. The dedication was carried out by Rev. A. S. "Pa" Mitchell of Hamilton, whose connection with Scouting extends well over a quarter of a century. Nearly 100 Scouters attended this Re-union which marked the 30th anniversary of Gilwell Training in Canada.

Winnipeg Scouts Aid Manitoba March of Dimes

We have just read a letter of thanks addressed to all Scout Troops in the Winnipeg, Manitoba, area, from Carl G. Slocomb, General Chairman of the Manitoba March of Dimes Campaign. In his letter of thanks, Mr. Slocomb mentions the distribution and collection of tins placed throughout Manitoba primarily by Scouts. Nearly \$8,500 was collected from these tins to assist in the fight against Polio in Manitoba.

Canadian Scout Group in . Europe

Canadian Headquarters has just had the privilege of registering the First Canadian Maple Leaf Scout Group (Europe) whose headquarters are with No. 1 Air Division Headquarters, R.C.A.F. Metz, Moselle, France. The group colours are gold, emerald and green, which, as the Group Committee Chairman, Group Captain E. H. Sharpe, points out, they are also the colours of NATO. He feels sure that the Scouts would be interested to hear from their Canadian Brothers and accordingly herewith are their addresses:

CUBMASTER—Charles Thomas Brighton, RCAF Air Division H.Q., Metz, France.

A.C.M.—Harry Lewis, 20 Rue Gambetta, Metz, France.

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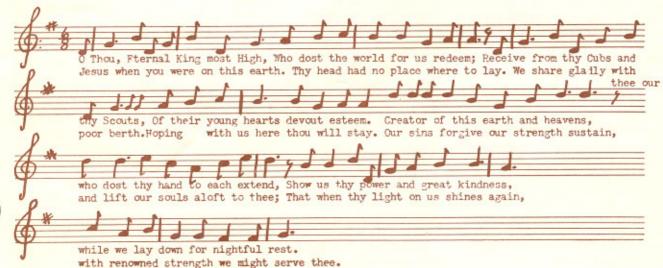
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A SCOUT HYMN

Words and Music By EMILIEN TREMBLAY ROBLIN, Manitoba





magnificent Camp Kennabi in the Haliburton highlands, 115 Sea Scouts and their leaders gathered over the August 14-16 weekend for the Second Ontario Sea Scout Camporee. Represented at the camporee were contingents from Hamilton, Toronto, Ottawa, Lakefield, West Hill, Etobicoke, and Owen Sound.

Arriving at the camp self contained, each contingent was assigned to a pre-arranged campsite on the lake. Highlight of the gathering was the regatta, held on Saturday afternoon, and featuring competitive events in swimming, boating, canoeing and other Scouting activities. Demonstrations of work with various types of craft, knotting, first aid, rope climbing, etc., were also included on the programme.

Forest fire-fighting was demonstrated by officials of the Ontario Department of Lands and Forests, and included not only the use of several types of equipment, but motion pictures also.

The Saturday evening camp fire was conducted by Asst. Executive Commissioner Robert Taylor of the Ontario Provincial Office and John L. MacGregor, Executive Commissioner for Training at Canadian Headquarters. On Sunday, a Scout's Own was conducted by Scoutmaster Donald C. Houlden of Oshawa.

The very successful camporee came to a close in a thunderstorm, which just added another experience to those of the weekend.

The Camporee Committee was composed of S.S.M. Bill Waddington, Toronto, chairman; S.S.M. Gerry Fairhead, Toronto, and S.S.M. Donald C. Houlden of Oshawa. The Camporee was welcomed to Kennabi by S.S.M. Kenneth Jakins of Lakefield, Chairman of the Ontario Council on Sea Scouting. Among the visitors to the camporee were Provincial Executive Commissioner Frank C. Irwin, and F. D. Griffith, chairman of the Toronto Metropolitan Area Camp Committee.

FROM A GILWELL NOTEBOOK . . .

(Continued from page 39) evening is given over to Handicraft work. For these nights, our work must not be too messy; and I had some misgivings the first time I tried it. I didn't know just what my boys could do, and I was afraid they might think what I had in mind was sissy stuff. But I went ahead anyway.

I divided the Pack into five groups, according to ages and "suspected" abilities, with an Old Wolf in charge of each group. One group made handing wall "banks" from small paper plates, coloured wool and crayons; another made milk ticket holders fashioned like Totem Poles from various coloured paper and card, paper fasteners and crayons; the third group made decorative wall plates from heavy coloured paper plates, gold paper doilies and flowers cut from old greeting cards; the fourth made coasters shaped like flowers, from layers of coloured blotting paper; and the youngest group made Wolf Cub book marks-two cut-outs of a grinning Cub, pasted back to back, with a length of coloured ribbon in between. The Cubs set about the work eagerly, and had quite as much fun with paper, glue and scissors, as with hammer and saw. They were delighted with what they had made, too, and there was little mess to clear up.

Another idea for a Handicraft Night is to give Cubs various articles and material, like pine cones, acorns, nut shells, pipe cleaners, plasticene, peanuts, wire and thread—give them an idea of what can be made from these things, and let them go ahead on their own. Some weird objects turn up, but some worthwhile things, too.

Jam Tin Curling

The sport of Curling is a very old one but in Canada it has been gaining in popularity with our young people. Here is a suggestion you might like to put before your Court of Honour for a Saturday afternoon of real fun.

There is no need to have a regulation length or size of curling sheet. However, the regulation size is 14 ft. wide and 138 ft. long. At each end of the sheet of ice there is a series of rings made in the form of a target (three rings and a bull's-eye). (The outside ring, diameter of 12 ft., next ring, diameter of 8 ft., third ring, diameter of 4 ft., and then the bull's-eye or spot, diameter of 1 ft.). These rings can be made simply by scratching the ice with the point of a nail.

Now for the curling stones. Gather a number of tin cans of similar size and fill them with water. If the weather is right for curling the water will freeze solid. For handles, dig a little ice out of the cans and freeze into place wooden handles.

You will not have perfectly matched "rocks" or an ideal flat sheet of ice but with a little instruction from a local curling enthusiast you can have a great deal of fun.

They Gave Up Party for Santa Claus Fund

These boys belonging to the 3rd Timmins Cub Pack of Nativity Parish, all sure of a happy Christmas complete with gifts and every good thing thought about others in accordance with their code, when they gave up their annual party and donated the money to the Porcupine Santa Claus Fund so that others might be as happy as they. Leader of the Pack is Mrs. William Stark.

An Ideal Gift

With Christmas only weeks away, perhaps you are thinking of a gift for your A.S.M.s, or friends connected with Scouting. Why not *The Scout Leader*—ten gifts in one, for only \$1.00.

SCOUT BROTHERHOOD FUND

FLOOD RELIEF TOTALS \$3,619.

Canadian Scouts and Scouters responded magnificently to the spring appeal for the flood victims of England, Holland, Belgium, and a total of \$3,619.65 was donated before the fund was declared closed.

Major flood damage was recorded in England and Holland with lesser damage in Belgium. The Canadian Scout Brotherhood Fund trustees therefore divided the contributions as follows:

	£576-6-0	
-	6,140 Guilders	
Belgium	19,000 Francs	381.48
		\$3,619.65

The following letters of appreciation have been received:—

From Belgium

It was with deep emotion that I received the generous gift of the Scouts of Canada particularly for the two Scout Troops of Antwerp who suffered from the tidal wave of February last.

In their name and on behalf of all Belgian Scouts I ask you to convey to all the Canadian Scouts our sincerest gratitude.

The Scout Brotherhood is for Canadian boys something particularly alive and they have given by their gesture a magnificent example to the entire Scout Movement. The Belgium Scouts do appreciate the value of this gesture.

Cordially yours,
A. Melot,
International Commissioner.

From Holland

On behalf of the National Council I heartily thank you for the generous gift of 3,750 Dutch guilders (first contribution).

Through this amount we are able to retrieve a part of the damage, suffered by the troops in the flooded area, so that in the near future also the Scouts in the province "Zeeland" are able to play the game of Scouting properly.

Of course we shall duly inform you of the corrections made with the assistance of your help.

Meanwhile I have asked the editor of the Scout magazine "De Verkenner" to supply you with pictures and covering text.

Thanking you also for the cordial expressions of friendship implied in your letter of May 20th, I remain.

Yours very sincerely, B. M. van Griethuysen, Secretary of the Nat. Scout Council,

From Great Britain

Please express to your General Council our heart-felt gratitude for the magnificent cheque for £3550 received this morning (first contribution). We shall do our best to let you have the information and photos required. I can assure you it will be put to good purpose and remind the boys of their bond with their Canadian Brother Scouts.

Yours most gratefully, Rowallan,

Chief Scout,

British Commonwealth and Empire.

To meet any emergency The Canadian Scout Brotherhood Fund invites Scout units to continue sending donations, with the assurance that when disaster strikes Scouts anywhere in the world, Canadian Scouting will "Be Prepared" to help.

Financial Statement

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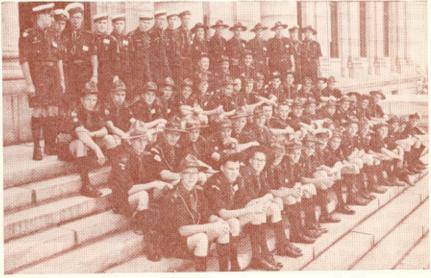
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This smart contingent of Canadian Rover Scouts represented this country at the World Rover Moot in Switzerland in August. A story of the contingent's activities at the Moot and elsewhere will appear in a future issue.



ROVER QUESTS.

Rovering on the March

RESURGENCE in Rovering in Canada appears to be under way with no less than four Rover Moots held this fall, one each in Ontario, Quebec, Saskatchewan and New Brunswick. We had hoped to be able to give details of these Moots in this issue, but at the time of going to press, reports were not available. We hope to have them in time for the next issue.

Another report we had hoped to give in this issue was that of the Canadian Contingent to the World Rover Moot in Switzerland. This likewise was not available at the time of going to press. However the official report is expected at any time and should appear shortly. A photograph of Canada's contingent, the largest Rover Contingent ever to go overseas, appears on page 45.

Rover News

It is our earnest hope that we will be able during the coming season to present news of the activities of Rover Crews in all parts of the country. Obviously it is impossible for us to cover these activities ourselves, and we must rely on individual Crews sending their reports to the editor.

This then is an appeal to all Canadian Rover Crews to appoint a representative to keep *The Scout Leader* informed of the Crew's activities. In this way we shall be able each month to present news of interest to Rover Scouts on this page.

Us Individuals

THE following is a part of a radio address given by Sir Benegal Rau, of India, to the United Nations.

"I sometimes wonder whether 'the worth of the human person'—to quote the words of the Charter of the United Nations—is fully realized by us, or whether by constant repetition the words are coming to lose their meaning. To guard against this danger, we might recall the analogy suggested by the latest developments of science in the world of matter. The atomic bomb is the greatest explosive force that we know in the physical world today. Yet, what starts this tremendous explosion is one single neutron—an infinitesimal

invisible particle which acting as a kind of gun first sets off two other guns and then each of these two sets off two others and so on, until there is a terrific force of almost earth shaking dimensions. What is true of the physical world is also true of the moral: there also we may have vast chain-reactions radiating from a single individual. One of the lessons which we may learn from modern science, therefore, is the importance of the infinitesimally small and by analogy, the tremendous potential worth of the individual human person and the immense value of individual freedom. If a single individual, organization, or country can set in motion the right kind of idea, it may ultimately move the whole world."

A Street or Field Wide Game

Each Patrol is sent to a different place with instructions roughly as follows.

You're the crew of a plane which crashed in the northern wilderness at X———. One of your members,

the radio operator, has a broken right ankle. After rendering first aid as best you can, you set out on foot for your home base (Troop H.Q. etc.) carrying your injured member. You cannot proceed directly due to roaming bands of hostile Eskimos who blame their troubles on the flying machine. You must first make a wide circle around your base and then approach from whichever direction seems safest. You will be safe from attack once inside your base but to get in your Leader must whisper the password to the sentry. The password is the 4th Law.

The Eskimos are carrying home members injured by polar bears. If you meet a band they will attack you on sight and kill as many of you as possible (in the usual or agreed manner). In self-defence you must do the same. Anyone killed may not attack members of the other side. BOTH SIDES RESPECT THE ESKIMO CODE AND DO NOT ATTACK INJURED PERSONS WHO PLAY NO PART IN THE STRUGGLE BUT MAY SPY FOR THEIR SIDE.

At the base, you will turn your patient over to a medical officer for examination and then proceed to write a detailed report on the crash and your return. Include a sketch map. Points will be given for: order of arrival, first aid, and your report. You lose two points for return of sheet in good condition.



Photo-Wilson Studio, Saint John.

The resurgence of Rover Scouting in Canada is due in part to such displays as this, staged by the Rovers of Saint John, N.B., at a Father and Son Dinner at Centenary United Church in Saint John last February. This was a demonstration of winter camping dress and equipment and stimulated much interest and discussion.



HEADQUARTERS NOTICES

STAFF VACANCIES

Field Commissioner-Vancouver

The Greater Vancouver District Council is seeking a Field Commissioner.

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Applicants should submit names to Canadian Headquarters, 306 Metcalfe Street or direct to Boy Scouts Association, Greater Vancouver District Council, 673 Homer Street, Vancouver 3, B.C.

Field Commissioner-Province of Manitoba

The Province of Manitoba is looking for a Field Commissioner to replace one of their staff members who has been transferred.

Applicants should be between 21 and 35 and have Wood Badge Training. Public speaking ability will favour the applicant.

Salary will be commensurate with ability and experience. Applications should be addressed to The Administration Department, Canadian Headquarters, 306 Metcalfe St., Ottawa 4, Ont.

Field Commissioner-Province of Saskatchewan

The province is enlarging its staff and is looking for the services of an additional Field Commissioner. No actual area of the province to be covered has yet been set but the standards are the same as those that have been advertised heretofore.

The salary, however, now offered is a starting salary of \$3,000 and up depending on the experience of the applicant. Applicants should be under 35 and have Wood Badge training. All applications should be submitted to Canadian Headquarters, Attention: Administration Department.

Field Commissioner—Toronto Metropolitan Area

Toronto is looking for a Field Commissioner. Any member of the Staff interested should write Canadian Headquarters, or H. B. Greenaway, Executive Commissioner, 1162 Bay Street, Toronto, Ontario.

WANTED—CRITICISM—CONSTRUCTIVE

Canadian Headquarters is anxious to hear from Scouters and Scouts who attended the Second Canadian Jamboree in Ottawa in July, with constructive criticism regarding the site, the organization, programme, etc.

Much useful criticism was offered of the First Canadian Jamboree which was put to good use in the planning stages of the 1953 gathering. If you have such criticism to offer, which might be useful in the planning for the 8th World Jamboree in Canada in 1955, please send your comments now to—

> The Administration Dept., Canadian Headquarters, The Boy Scouts Association, 306 Metcalfe Street, Ottawa 4, Ontario.

RESOLUTIONS RE FUTURE INTERNATIONAL EVENTS MADE AT 14th INTERNATIONAL SCOUT CONFERENCE

Resolution No. 21

The Conference accepts with much pleasure the kind invitation of the Boy Scouts Association of Canada to hold the 8th World Jamboree and 15th International Conference in Canada in 1955, and also thanks the Boy Scouts de Syrie most warmly for their invitation.

Resolution No. 22

The Conference accepts with much pleasure the kind invitation of De Nationale Padvindersraad to hold the 2nd World Indaba in the Netherlands in 1956.

Resolution No. 23A

The Conference accepts with great pleasure and enthusiasm the invitation of the Boy Scouts Association to celebrate in Great Britain in the summer of 1957 the Centenary of the Founder and the Jubilee of the beginning of the Boy Scout Movement, the celebration to take the form of a combined World Rover Moot and Scout Jamboree. This Moot will come in the regular quadrennial series but the Jamboree will be an extra one and will not replace either the 8th World Jamboree of 1955 or the subsequent World Jamboree of 1959.

Resolution No. 23B

The Conference strongly recommends to all its member countries that in making their advance plans for the year 1957 they take fully into account the importance of celebrating by all suitable means this double anniversary.



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