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# CANADIAN HEADQUARTERS

306 Metcalfe St., Ottawa 4

Scoutmaster Jack Young,  
2nd Shale Falls Troop,  
Shale Falls, Ontario.

Dear Jack:

Good for you. I am glad you have taken the plunge and have organized a winter camping weekend at Beaver Lake. Best of luck. I am sure it will be a thrilling experience for you and your boys. If there is anything we here can do to help you, please let us know.

The problem you raise in your letter regarding Scout Silence at Troop meetings is one which has confronted and has troubled many leaders. I can fully appreciate your feelings when you find that your boys do not use the Scout Silence for the purpose for which it is intended. This is a situation which calls for special understanding and leadership. In dealing with active boys of Scout age, we should never fail to prepare them for any activity in which we require their full co-operation. For instance, before breaking the Flag at Troop meeting the Scouter should make sure that every member of the Troop is standing strictly at the alert. This ensures that the boys are giving their attention to the business at hand. By the same token, Scout Silence should be preceded by a period of preparation. It is well to remember that boys find it difficult to put their thoughts into words without some assistance. For this reason I am opposed to the idea of the Scouter merely announcing Scout Silence at Troop meetings and expecting the boys to use the time for personal prayer. If it is to be of any value, Scout Silence must be preceded by the Scouter directing the thoughts of the boys towards suitable prayers. This can be done at the close of the campfire period and worked into the Scouter's five minutes. For example, you could talk to your boys about the great need for and the value of loyalty and then say, "In our Scout

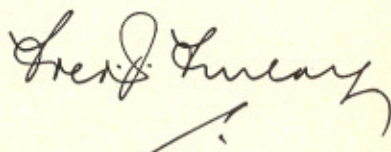
Silence this evening let us remember those to whom we owe our greatest loyalty". This same approach can be used in a variety of ways. For instance, you can deal with each of the three parts of the Scout Promise and with each of the ten Scout Laws on successive evenings and then go on to such things as the good turn, fair play, etc.

In a group in which the boys are all of one religious denomination, prayer should be used instead of the Scout Silence, and if the Chaplain is present at the meeting the job of leading the prayers should, of course, be given to him. However, in a group of mixed denominations, which I gather yours is, the Scouter must be careful, as you well know, regarding the use of prayers. Hence the reason for having Scout Silence.

A devotional period at Troop Meetings is a most important part of the programme and if it is carried out in the manner I have suggested, I am sure you will soon find the response you are looking for from the boys. It is well for us to keep in mind that Scouting is essentially a spiritual movement and that we must at all times encourage our boys to live their "Duty to God". I hope that these few remarks may be helpful to you.

Sorry to hear that Bobby has had the whooping cough. Betty must have had quite a busy time keeping the children apart during the infectious period. I am glad to hear that he is now well on the road to recovery.

Warmest greetings to you all.



Sincerely,

## COVER PICTURE

Scout Barry Hagen of the 3rd Kimberley Troop in British Columbia raises the Union Flag at his Troop Camp at Columbia Lake. Very soon now Troops throughout the country will be setting up Troop Camps to put into practice all they have learned during the winter months. This photo, by the way, was a winner in the last Photographic Contest sponsored by *The Scout Leader*. Have you entered the current contest?





## Breaking The Dollar Barrier

It is with great pleasure that we report that the \$ Barrier is being torn down by groups and individuals all over the country. This wonderful Good Turn idea has captured the imagination of many and if your Group has not yet discussed it—remember the deadline for contributions is April 30th.

### Breaking the Dollar Barrier

Eastern Restigouche District, Dalhousie, N.B., 1 Icelandic Scout; York Township Boy Scout Troop, Ontario, 3 British West Indian Scouts; Rotary Club, Medicine Hat, Alberta, 1 Luxembourg Scout; Kamloops District, B.C., 1 Dutch Scout; 1st Fairfield Group, Victoria District, B.C., 1 Australian Scout; Rotary Club, London, Ontario, 1 Luxembourg Scout; Stirling Scout Association, Ontario, 1 Austrian Scout; 10th Brantford, Ontario, Troop, 1 Northern Ireland Scout; Executive Committee and Court of Honour, North Area Council, Toronto Metropolitan Region, 1 Austrian Scout; Canadian Legion, Delhi Branch, Delhi, Ont., 1 Dutch Scout; 8th Kitchener Group, 1 Austrian Scout; Rotary Club, Edmonton, Alta., 1 Icelandic Scout; Delhi District German Home, Ont., 1 German Scout; Murrrough O'Brien, London, Ont., 1 Belgian Scout; Kiwanis Club of Edmonton, Alta., 1 Welsh Scout; Rotary Club of Windsor, Ont., 1 Maltese Scout; Rotary Club of West Winnipeg, Man., 1 Maltese Scout; 1st Highland Creek, Ont., Group, 1 Welsh and 1 Trinidad Scout; East Scarborough District Scouters' Club, Ont., 1 English Scout; 2nd Duncan, B.C., Group, 1 Fiji Island Scout; Somenos Group, B.C., 1 Welsh Scout; Duncan-Chemainus District, B.C., 1 Scottish Scout; Miss Phyllis G. Sheffield, Victoria, B.C., 2 English Scouts; Rotary Club of Hamilton, Ont., 1 British Guianan Scout; 131st Toronto Ladies' Auxiliary, Ont., 1 British Guianan Scout; Canadian Legion, New Dayton Branch, Alta., 1 Italian Scout; 1st Etobicoke, Ont., Sea Scout Troop, 1 Dutch Scout; 1st Dixie, Ont., 1 Scout from Formosa; Garage Operators Association, Welland and Lincoln, 1 Norwegian Scout; 2nd Welland, Ont., Group, 2 Jamaican Scouts; Rotary Club of Calgary, Alta., 2 Indian Scouts; Rotary Club of Camrose, Alta., 1 Scottish Scout; Rotary Club of Melfort, Sask., 2 English Scouts; Rotary Club of North Battleford, Sask., 1 English Scout; Wills Motors (Delhi) Ltd., Ont., 1 English Scout; Toronto Chapter Japanese Canadian Citizens Association, 1 Japanese Scout; 67th

Toronto, Ont., Group, 2 Austrian Scouts; Kiwanis Club of Marmors-Deloro, Marmors, Ont., 1 English Scout; Mothers' Auxiliary, 7th Oshawa, Ont., 1 Ceylon Scout; Rotary Club of Peace River, Alta., 1 Ceylon Scout; Delhi, Ont., Group, 1 Scottish Scout; Hatley Scout Mother's Club, Hatley, P.Q., 1 Australian Scout; 12th Drummond Hill Troop, Niagara Falls, Ont., 1 Portuguese Scout; Mr. William G. Smith, Smith Lumber Co., Delhi, Ont., 1 Norwegian Scout; Swan River Rotary Club, Swan River, Man., 1 Portuguese Scout; Rotary Club of Halifax, N.S., 1 English Scout; 23rd Robin Hood Rover Crew, Willowdale, Ont., 1 Swedish Scout; Kiwanis Club of North Toronto, Ont., 2 Swedish Scouts; 190th Ladies' Auxiliary, Toronto, Ont., 1 New Zealand Scout; Selter's Ltd., Winnipeg, Man., 1 Israel Scout; Boy Scouts Assoc., Oakville, Ont., 1 Greek Scout; Boy Scouts Assoc., Provincial Council for B.C., 2 Scottish, 4 German, 4 French and 2 Italian Scouts; Ladies' Auxiliary, 235th Toronto, Ont., Group, 1 Austrian Scout; London Free Press, Dayside Composing Room, London, Ont., 1 South African Scout; Mrs. W. Hendrie, Hamilton, Ont., 2 Scottish Scouts; Mr. R. C. Stevenson, Vice-President, Boy Scouts Assoc., Montreal, P.Q., 1 English Scout; Executive Members of Canadian H.Q. Staff, 1 Israel Scout; Rotary Club of North Sydney, N.S., 1 Ceylonese Scout; Lions Club of Edmonton, Alta., 2 Icelandic Scouts; 41st and 44th Edmonton, Alta., Troops, 1 French West Indian Scout; 2nd Calgary, Alta., Group, 1 Mexican Scout; 32nd Ottawa Troop, 2 Greek Scouts; 9th Truro, N.S., Troop, 1 Jamaican Scout; St. Mary's Rotary Club, 1 English Scout; 55th Manor Park Group, Ottawa, Ont., 1 French West African and 1 Mexican Scout; 1st Cochrane, Ont., Rover Crew, 1 English Scout; Rotary Club of Lacombe, Alta., 1 Ceylonese Scout; Mr. Marsh, Ottawa, Ont., 1 Armenian Scout; 51st North Edmonton Community League Group, Alta., 1 Northern Ireland Scout; Boy Scouts Assoc., Fort George District, B.C., 4 English, 4 French and 2 Netherlands Scouts; 1st Coldstream Group,

Vernon, B.C., 1 Kenya Scout; Cosmopolitan International Club of Calgary, Alta., 2 Welsh Scouts; Ford S. Kumpf, Waterloo, Ont., 1 German Scout; Rotary Club of Regina, Sask., 1 English and 1 Scottish Scout; W. M. Logan, W. J. Ball, John William and J. C. Armit, Regina, Sask., 1 Welsh Scout; F. D. Saunderson, H. E. Sampson, I. Runhorn, D. K. Forbes, L. N. Ray, P. L. Finlay, Regina, Sask., 1 Northern Ireland Scout; Nepawin Rotary Club, Sask., 1 Japanese Scout; 2nd Swift Current Group, Sask., 1 Burma Scout; Preston-Hespeler, Ont., Rotary Club, 2 Trinidad Scouts; 18th Calgary Scout Group Parents' Assoc., 2 English Scouts; Executive Committee Greater Vancouver, B.C., District Council, 2 Bahamas Scouts; Lions Club of Shawville, Que., 1 Brazil Scout; 1st Winona, Ont., Cub Pack, 1 Leeward Isles and 1 Windward Isles Scout; 40th Ottawa Scout Group, 1 Greek Scout; 111th Toronto, Ont., Scout Group, 1 Australian, 2 B.W.I., 1 English Scout; Canadian Salt Com. Ltd., Alta., 1 Dutch Scout; Dunkirk Chapter, I.O.D.E., Delhi, Ont., 1 Egyptian Scout; Canada Legion, B.E. S.L., Unity, Sask., 2 Hong Kong Scouts; Wellington, Ont., Troop, 1 Egyptian Scout.

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Dear Sir:

It seems strange that in a boy's organization such as ours, we have so far forgotten the very nature of boys as to imagine that Cub Silence can be of any spiritual value.

The article on page 77 of the January *Leader* ends with "Cub Silence alone must be used". Whether the Group contains boys of one religious denomination or of many, is beside the point. The fact remains that *undirected*, the Silence defeats its own purpose—i.e., closer communion with God—and leaves a blank which Cubs fill in their own surprising ways.

Try asking them what they thought about. The amusing and enlightening replies will certainly prove my point.

Myf Retallack,  
District Cubmaster,  
Greater Vancouver District.

• It is expected that the Scouter in charge will *direct* the thoughts of his boys along the right path. Our point is that Cub Silence must be a silent period, during which the Cubs are thinking or praying for a special purpose such as praying for a very sick Cub, for parents, for people involved in disasters, for children in war-ravaged countries, etc. Such purpose must be pointed out by the Scouter before the period of Cub Silence.

Dear Sir:

I read with great interest the article by E. F. Mills on Troop Leaders. I must agree that the subject is one of great importance and that some Troops have just appointed Troop Leaders as it is more or less a tradition to have one. I have seen cases in small Troops where a Troop Leader could do far more for his Troop by being a good P.L.

My humble suggestions for a Troop Leader are that, firstly, he should have all the character and ability you would expect in a potential A.S.M. Secondly, he should be a Queen's Scout. However, just because he has risen to the rank of Queen's Scout does not mean he would be a good Troop Leader. Unfortunately, some lads who are quick to learn book work but are not too good at practical work or management, gain the Queen's Scout Badge. Therefore, the Scouter must also be sure he is capable in all respects. Thirdly, before consideration is given for a Troop Leader, I feel that the

size of the Troop must warrant it, say twenty-four boys as a minimum, as was mentioned in the article you can't keep a Troop Leader busy with a small Troop. Fourthly, I don't believe age should be too much of a deciding factor. A keen lad of 15 is far better than a boy of 17 who is only staying with the Troop because of the rank attained. Fifthly, regular attendance is a must, for the other lads will expect to see him Johnny on the spot on all Troop activities.

Lastly, he should not be given the appointment just because he is a Scouter's, Preacher's or Group Committee member's son. This may make the parent very happy. But, remembering the unwritten Scout Law "A Scout is no fool", it won't take the lads long to sense this.

In closing thanks very much for the many interesting and encouraging articles appearing in *The Scout Leader*.

W. B. Carne, A.S.M.,  
1st Fort Henry Troop,  
Barrie, Ont.

• Thank you for your comments on this article and your ideas on the duties and responsibilities of a Troop Leader.

Dear Sir:

There has been considerable controversy regarding the last change in the Wolf Cub Programme, "The Flag Break", from *The Scout Leader* of January 1955.

The question arises: "Should the Salute be given without a hat"? I would like to hear your comments on the question.

My own personal views regarding the question are: More emphasis would be placed on Saluting, especially with our New Canadians, with a hat on. For instance, a New Chum knows nothing of Saluting until he is taught, so why not have him at the alert until he has been Invested and is entitled to his uniform.

It is accepted that the Scout Movement is not militarism, nevertheless there are countries that accept the Salute (military) without a hat, but not our British Dominion.

I cannot see where a true significance to our Queen and Flag can be shown other than a full dress Salute.

Dave Kinsey, Cubmaster,  
7th Timmins (Ontario) Pack.

• Like so many other points, this is best answered by your own District Commissioner or Provincial Commissioner as the case may be. The pamphlet "Smartness in Scouting" would answer many of your questions. You may obtain a copy free from your Provincial Headquarters.

Dear Sir:

I am distressed to find in the *Leader* an advocate of "repetitious nagging" and doubly so when I seem to play that role in a note on the good turn in the February issue. There is no room for nagging in Scouting—no more room than your printers found for that most important word "no" which was missing. I trust all Scouters had sufficient innate common sense to spot the typographical error.

Bower Carty,  
Ottawa, Ont.

• Ouch! Please accept our apology and we feel sure that Scouters, being very understanding, will know the article should have read "no repetitious nagging" which would fit in with the general idea of the article.

Dear Sir:

I think Mr. Jacobi is bringing up a very ticklish question. It is equivalent to that of separate schools. Furthermore, I think Mr. Jacobi is going against the principles of our founder, Lord Baden-Powell, who considered our Duty to God a "must" for every good Scout; but with the wisdom we recognize always in him, he left us the liberty to lead our boys in the religious path as we thought best. So why not drop the question, Mr. Jacobi and, keeping in mind these words so oft repeated: "A Scout is a friend to all and a brother to all other Scouts", give each other a good left-hand-shake and run our Troops or Packs according to our own convictions.

Rev. E. J. Comeau,  
West Bathurst, N.B.

• We would like to thank all those who replied to Mr. Jacobi's letter and particularly Rev. Comeau whose letter is pretty well a summary of all those received. May we suggest you now read Mr. Jacobi's article on page 154.

Dear Sir:

The January 1955 issue of *The Scout Leader* contains the article "Flag Ceremonies for Wolf Cubs". The final sentence reads "In mixed Groups where membership contains Roman Catholic, Protestant and/or other faiths, *Cub Silence alone must be used*."

Is this meant to be taken literally? My experience in Cubbing has been with church sponsored Groups of greatly mixed membership, and there has never been any difficulty in finding suitable prayers, acceptable to all faiths represented. Our own book "Prayers for use in the Brotherhood of Scouts" is an excellent source.



Undirected Scout Silence is of very little value to adults, less to Scouts and practically useless for boys of Cub age, who need no encouragement to let their minds wander.

If I have misinterpreted the meaning of this note, I would appreciate a clarification:

M. E. Palmer,  
Area Cubmaster for Kerrisdale,  
Greater Vancouver District.

Dear Sir:

This past week I received a letter from one of the Scouts of my Troop, who moved to Montreal.

This boy is thirteen years old, a Second Class Scout, and he was a Patrol Leader here in Toronto.

I would like to quote from his letter of February 12th.

"Dear Skip,

"The Scout Troop around here isn't as good as I thought. They don't have as much instruction but they have more games of floor hockey, etc. The inspection is just having a look at the patrol dues and the attendance. Believe it or not, I'm the only Scout who wears shorts to the meeting. The test passing isn't carried on during the meeting, but you have to go all over Montreal to pass tests."

I wonder how many Troops are doing this type of "Scouting"?

This lad was a keen, eager Scout when he left but I doubt if he will continue in Scouting.

I thought that possibly this letter from a boy might help some Scouters take a look at Scouting in their Troops.

To me the letter is a challenge.

W. E. Shaver, Scoutmaster,  
77th Toronto Troop.

#### • Here's a challenge for all Scouters!

Dear Sir:

I would like, through *The Scout Leader*, to express the gratitude of the Oakville and District Boy Scouts Association with the result of a drive for the "Thursby Fund" which was originated by Ontario Provincial Headquarters.

As you are no doubt aware, Assistant Scoutmaster Arthur Thursby and Sea Scouts Balderston and McCausland lost their lives in a sailing accident in July 1954 at Oakville.

A fund was immediately started for the widow and children of the late Arthur Thursby. Many money-raising activities took place, but it is the part that Scouting Groups of Ontario took in this campaign that I wish to refer to.

Donations numbering 130, in the amount of \$2,554.75, were received through Ontario Provincial Headquarters—truly a fine example of the Brotherhood of Scouting.

M. Jennings, President,  
Oakville and District  
Boy Scouts Association.

• Thank you for telling us of this wonderful demonstration of true Scout Brotherhood.

## FOR YOUR GAMES BOOK

Here are a few ideas for that important part of your programme—Games

### A Troop Game Called Conspirators

Three members of the Troop each receive by mail the following, together with one section of the orders below.

"You and two other members of the Troop belong to a secret society which aims at causing inconvenience, or even worse, to the Troop. For reasons of safety, the members of the society are not known to each other either by sight or name. For the same reason, and because there has been leakage of plans in the past, you three have each been given only a third of the complete orders, the three one-third bits having

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You will black the Troop Room during the Troop There are two ways not tell you	out all the some time between meeting and before of doing the other way.

therefore to be put together before the orders can be understood. To effect this, you three must first identify each other by the society's secret sign; this time the sign is pulling the lobe of the right ear with the finger and thumb of the left hand. It should be done at frequent intervals but not too obviously, for the Troop has been warned of a possible plot, though the details of it are unknown, and everybody will be looking out for suspicious happenings from now on.

Below is your one-third share of the orders. Identify the other two conspirators, get together and make your plans and then ACT."

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lights in eight and nine the 22nd Feb. this, but I shall It is too simple.

### Rabbits and Lettuce

THE Pack is divided into two circle groups by forming a Pack Parade Circle; numbering by twos, e.g. one-two, one-two, etc. around the circle. The number one Cubs remain where they are, while the number two Cubs take two paces into the circle.

We find that we now have a number one circle, (the outside circle) and a number two circle (the inside circle).

Now cover-off, a number one behind a number two right around the circle but still keeping the two pace distance apart.

A handkerchief (lettuce) is placed in the centre of the number two or inside circle.

Two Cubs from different points of the inside circle are chosen to represent the Rabbits.

The Pack is at the 'Alert'.

When the signal is given, the two number one Cubs behind the Chosen Rabbits will come to the 'At Ease' position, the Rabbits will turn around and pass through the legs of the number one Cub behind him, turn right, run around the circle or hop, back to his number one partner, pass again through his legs, get the lettuce and back to his 'Alert' position.

Within a reasonable time reverse the circles so that all may be Rabbits in turn.

Akela can work out the results of the game to suit the need.

Try some different items as lettuce.

A few chocolate bars will probably kill the game?

Try some real lettuce.

### Try This for Patrol Competition

Get as many Imperial Oil maps of Newfoundland as you have Patrols. The S.M. picks out perhaps a dozen names of towns and reads them out one at a time. The Patrol which finds its location first is awarded a point. Boys should be in their Patrol Corners.

### Jump the Rope

Most Packs and Troops have already played this game. We now offer you two variations which will be found interesting.

(a) Have your Patrols lined up for relay races. In the centre of the room have two Scouters swing ropes which Scouts must pass through while running.

(b) In large Troops form two circles and make this a team game. The team having the fewer misses within a specified time is the winner.





## The First Promise

By BUD JACOBI  
District Scoutmaster  
St. Catharines, Ont.

**"Everything we do in our daily life should be to the Glory of God"**

The photo at the left is of the entrance to the Chapel at Camp Samac near Oshawa, Ont.

"DUTY TO GOD" was regarded of such vital significance by the Founder of our Movement, that he placed it first and foremost in our Promise. God is the beginning and the end of all things, and Scouting would be an empty idea and materialistic programme without this foundation. In fact, by this basic belief in God, the Father of us all, to which all creeds subscribe, Scouting differs from any totalitarian youth-organization in the world. Duty to God is not a mere formality,—a passive rule of conduct, or something to justify our existence and need for support to churches. It is indeed an all-embracing, active practice which pervades all phases of Scouting in thought, word and deed. This spiritual obligation is so simple, virile and down-to-earth that every boy can understand and follow it, encouraged and guided by his Scouter's example.

There is no sham or hypocrisy present, when a Patrol at camp say the Lord's Prayer in their tents after 'taps', or the Patrol Leader reads from Scripture at a Scout's Own on Sunday morning. There is nothing "sissy", affected, sentimental or "goody-goody" in boys giving thanks to God for good health, friends and happiness, food, fine weather and beauty of God's Creation under the starry sky, in a closing hymn around a campfire, or on a hill-top at sunrise, overlooking the countryside. Everything we do in our daily life should be to the Glory of God. It counteracts the glamour of materialistic idols in these times and the unwholesome influence of certain comics, television and movie heroes on impressionable young minds.

Scouts at camp who have said a prayer before turning in, find it difficult to indulge in smutty jokes or profane talk afterwards.

But Duty to God and neighbour is the positive basis of the 10 Commandments which Scouts express by taking an active part in their Church and faithfully fulfilling their religious obligations,—in helping others at a cost to themselves,—and carrying out the spirit of the Scout Law. At every world jamboree, boys of different creeds and customs camp together in brotherhood and harmony. Let this be a signpost to people all over the world who are threatened by Communist influence and subtle Atheist materialism. If we draw a small circle in the centre of a large circle and join both circles by lines, like the spokes of a wheel, we'll discover a significant truth. The large, outer circle represents the Universal Church of God and the centre stands for God, the great Scoutmaster. Each line symbolizes a boy's religious denomination. The nearer these lines approach the spirit of God, the closer they come to each other! That emphasizes the need for a spiritual basis of Scouting and rejects the attitude of those who consider themselves suitable leaders of boys, as long as they teach the technical skills, offer their group a good time and avoid anything which might reflect on the decency of their character. Neither sanctimonious lip-service and fancy prayers nor self-righteous religious indifference impress and inspire boys. Let's remember this, whenever we face a boy about to make his Promise as a Scout: "On my honour I promise . . . to do my duty to God!" Let's help him keep it!



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The old knights were very religious. They were always careful to attend religious service, especially before going into battle or undertaking any serious difficulty. They considered it the right thing always to be prepared for death. Besides worshipping God in church, the knights always recognized His work in the things which He made, such as animals, plants, and all nature.

And so it is with peace Scouts today. Wherever they go they love the woodlands, the mountains, and the prairies, and they like to watch and know about the animals that inhabit them, and the wonders of the flowers and plants.

No man is much good unless he believes in God and obeys His laws. So every Scout should have a religion.

Religion seems a very simple thing:

First: Love and serve God.  
Second: Love and serve your neighbour.

In doing your duty to God always be grateful to Him. Whenever you enjoy a pleasure or a good game, or succeed in doing a good thing, thank Him for it, if only with a word or two, just as you say grace at a meal. And it is a good thing to bless other people. For instance, if you see

## From Our Founder's Pen

April 23rd is St. George's Day. Lord Baden-Powell suggested in his writings that this was a good time to re-read *Scouting for Boys* to make sure that we were keeping to the right trail. Here is an excerpt to get you started.

a train starting off, just pray for God's blessing on all that are in the train.

In doing your duty towards man, be helpful and generous, and also always be grateful for any kindness done to you, and be careful to show that you are grateful. Remember again that a present given to you is not yours until you have thanked the giver for it.

While you are living your life on this earth, try to do something good which may remain after you.

One writer says: "I often think that when the sun goes down the world is hidden by a big blanket from the light of heaven, but the stars are little holes pierced in that blanket by those who have done good deeds in this world. The stars are not all the same size; some are big, some are little, and some men have done great deeds and others have made their hole in the blanket by doing good before they went to heaven."

Try and make your hole in the blanket by good work while you are on the earth.

It is something to be good, but it is far better to do good.

—Scouting for Boys

## May We Suggest A Few Programme Ideas For April

- Set a monthly theme of Duty to God and then see how many ways you can bring this theme into your programmes during the month.

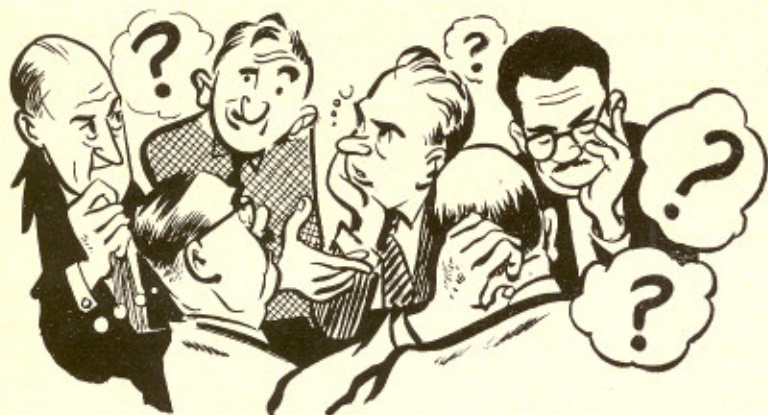


- For example, Scouts might be encouraged to construct a backwoods chapel or if there is one standing in your campsite, they might well see to the repairs which always have to be made.



- Plan a tree planting expedition by obtaining information and assistance from your Provincial or District Forestry Department officials. God gave us nature to enjoy and to preserve, and we can help our boys to a more sincere understanding by having them take part in such conservation Good Turns.





## We Need A Leader

By H. E. D. MITCHELL  
Deputy Executive Commissioner  
Toronto, Ont.

This is Part I of a two part article  
on how to obtain Scouters and other  
Leaders.

THIS is the commonest plaint of Group Committees. Sometimes it is varied by such statements as "We need a good leader" or "We want a different leader." Generally, however, most committees find this problem the hardest to solve.

In itself, it provides one of the most important reasons why that committee exists. The selection and recruiting of leaders is the job of the group committee. Some committees seem to have found a successful approach to this problem, as their group seems to go on year after year without serious leadership problems.

### Leaders Can be Found

First, let us realize that leaders can be found, and what is more important, are being recruited at a surprising rate. Personnel is constantly being found in every line of endeavour—to raise money—to operate sports—to do all kinds of Church and community projects. Right in your community and probably in your Church—and right now, while you read this, some man or woman is being found to undertake a worthwhile task. Most of the leaders who are doing such fine work at present when asked why they didn't take up Scouting before will tell you that nobody asked them to. Every day leaders are being recruited in your Church—your club—your business and your community. Don't wait until the best have signed up before you go after them. They may be too busy then. Leaders are everywhere, waiting for someone to use their services. The story is told of a prospective Scoutmaster who was found living next door to a Clergyman, who had previously reported that he had thoroughly canvassed the whole community and couldn't find one. Another story is that of a business man who, while he could not serve himself, did find five very fine leaders among his office staff. The widowed mother of a young Cub went

out and found three men and one woman who indicated they were interested in Scout leadership. A Jewish business man said he would undertake leadership of a Troop of Scouts—if the committee would 'sell his wife'. The committee went to work and landed both husband and wife. A service club called a meeting of parents to interest them in leadership, only to find three prospective leaders among their own club members. Leaders are everywhere waiting for you—or someone else—to ask them.

### What Kind of Man Do You Want?

The first question to ask, and probably one that very few committees ever ask is "What kind of a leader do we need?" Many committees, hiding behind the age-old excuse that they cannot find a leader—not only have never tried to find one—but when asked what kind of a leader they want look at their inquirer with an expression of surprise, as though such a question was merely intended to be funny.

Too many committees are looking for a leader who knows all about Scouting. That is probably the greatest reason why they do not find one. If the man you are looking for must be experienced in Scouting, he probably is already busily engaged in Scouting activities, and certainly won't have time to devote to another group.

Many committees are looking for a 'Master-Scout' to act as leader of their boys. Any Master-Scouts who are running loose would probably not make a good Scoutmaster anyway. Not all men who are practical campers and expert woodsmen make good Scout leaders.

Your committee should have met, not once, but several times if necessary, to list on paper those qualities that they feel their leader should possess. A little 'group thinking' will soon bring to light what might be considered the essentials of a good leader for boys.

You will also be surprised that such oft-mooted talents as 'knowledge of boy psychology'—campercraft—drill—interest in nature, etc., will find their way further down the list of essentials than would seem apparent at first thought.

At the top of that list of 'essentials' will be such things as home environment—love of boys—a healthy philosophy of life—a satisfactory Church experience—attitude toward neighbours, etc. These traits are important. A man either has them or has not.

Much of the knowledge of Scout Leadership can be acquired by a normal man who can give even a limited amount of time to learning and experience. Scout Headquarters have arranged various types of training in such a way that a green leader can adopt a pace that suits his circumstances best. Through formal and informal types of training, a new leader will also find the maximum of happiness and satisfaction as he progresses.

While these qualities of leadership can be acquired, there are other qualities which are fundamental, and, unless they are inherent in the prospective leader when he is selected, no amount of training can develop them. It is with these fundamental qualities that group committees should be most concerned.

This prospective leader is going to exert a tremendous influence on the lives of those lads of yours. If, in your opinion, he is not strong enough to do just that, then it is questionable if you have selected a strong enough man. The attitude of your boys toward their homes—their Queen and country and their Church, will be affected by this leader. Their reactions to other people's property and rights; their tendency to circumvent or to obey the law; their facing up to or dodging of the moral issues of the day will all be tempered by the thinking and actions of this man you have selected as a leader.



The boys' understanding and appreciation of the spirit of the Scout Promise and Scout Law, will in a large measure be decided by this man that you have chosen for a leader. Will your boys respect their parents and homes more or will they grow farther away from their home and from parental influence as a result of this new leader? These are questions that group committees must decide.

Have your committeemen established a group opinion on the home life of your prospective leader? Is he a family man? Is his home a happy one? Do his children find satisfaction in their home environment and relations?

Has your prospect a healthy and satisfying philosophy of every-day living? Do politics or business or religious scruples upset his normal relationships? Would you be satisfied if your son absorbed this prospective leader's philosophy toward life in general?

Has he a satisfying economic status? This is not to be confused with wealth. Does he find satisfaction within his economic orbit? Or is he constantly grasping for more money? Does he complain publicly about the inequality of material things? Has he and his family learned to find happiness on their customary income?

Has your prospective leader a satisfactory religious experience? Is his Church life and habits good, bad or indifferent? Has his family Church connections? Is he a crank or a cynic? Is he indifferent to religious obligations?

What is his attitude toward his neighbours? What are his hobbies? How does he spend his time? Does he drink? Does he smoke? Does he gamble? You have to be satisfied with these things. It is for you to decide whether he is desirable—passable—or unsatisfactory, in connection with all these points. To give ample thought to these matters before approaching your prospect will save much trouble later.

Don't stop to merely consider one man. List several men and test them in the light of the above considerations. Canvass the names on your Church, Sunday School or Club roster. Go carefully over the names of members in your Men's Club or your Service Club. Call your parents together—or better still, canvass them in their homes. You will be surprised at the results. The best leaders always have to be 'found'. They do not offer their services. When you have listed them, analyze their talents and traits in the light of what has been laid down as fundamental qualities.

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# SCOUTING Digest

## Who Sponsors Scout Groups?

Churches predominate in the sponsorship of Scout Groups in Canada. This list gives the sponsors, the number of groups they sponsored in 1954 as compared to the number in 1953, which is shown in parenthesis:

Anglican 530 (491); Baptist 120 (109); Hebrew 26 (27); Latter Day Saints 46 (40); Lutheran 40 (35); Presbyterian 157 (146); Roman Catholic 601 (545); Salvation Army 89 (86); United 544 (500); other denominations 34 (26); Canadian Legion 93 (86); Community 934 (891); Handicapped 17 (14); School 69 (64); Service Clubs 217 (199); Army 1 (0); R.C.A.F. 5 (0); Miscellaneous 172 (136).

## Winter Scouting

If you have never enjoyed the thrill of winter camping it is suggested you contact Scoutmaster Baden Kirby at 138 Stephen Street, Kingston, Ontario. Scoutmaster Kirby and some of the older boys of the 6th Kingston Troop have sent us a thrilling story of a wonderful week-end camp. He reports that, at the conclusion of the camp, the boys came forward with remarks like: "I feel like a million and a half"; "Boy, these winter over-nights put the 'Scout' in Scouting".

Winter Camping requires careful preparation but you can be sure that your Scouts will enjoy such an invigorating adventure.

## Breaking the \$ Barrier

The First Emerald Group at Salmo, B.C., held a Carnival and Display Night at the Emerald Community Hall on February 15th, under the leadership of Cubmaster Jack Lloyd, assisted by Scoutmaster Gordon Pickard.

The Cubs were dressed in carnival costumes and each Cub Six had a fun booth and display table. Prizes were awarded for the most original booth and for neatness and workmanship on the display tables. Judges were members of the local Group Committee.

The Scouts participated with an extra fun booth. The Ladies' Auxiliary sold coffee and doughnuts. The Emerald Girl Guides turned out in strength to lend a hand by selling candy and cookies.

The proceeds, which totalled \$33.00, is to be used to help bring a Scout from another country to the 8th World Jamboree.

It was a successful night with young and old enjoying the fun.

## Fog to Protect Scout Knees

Sutton Coldfield Borough Council are anxious about Scouts' knees being bitten by mosquitoes at the World Jamboree and Moot being held in Sutton Park in 1957.

Swarms of mosquitoes and other insects breed in the park's marsh land causing a nuisance to visitors to the Park, but, think the Council, they could be a menace to the 35,000 Scouts with bare knees and arms camping at the Jamboree.

So they have bought a new pest control device—a portable fog generator and flame thrower—to rid the site of the insects.

From *Information Bulletin*,  
February, 1955

## Church Parade

We have recently received a very attractive programme folder from Scoutmaster George H. Bentley of the 153rd Toronto Troop sponsored by Humber Crest United Church. This attractive folder has as its cover a reproduction of the R. W. Bradford painting of our Founder, Lord Baden-Powell. Seventy-four Cubs and 48 Scouts attended the Service with 6 members of the Group Committee acting as ushers.

## Raising Group Funds

With the co-operation of all members of the 1st Hanover, Ontario, Group, a successful Bake Sale and Tea was held on February 5th from 3.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. Boys, Scouters, mothers and fathers all played a part in the money-raising scheme and the Troop realized

a profit of just over \$100.00. Darol Seigmiller, Assistant Scoutmaster of the 1st Hanover Bobwhite Troop also reports that it was a wonderful opportunity for the Group and parents to meet and talk to each other.



Mr. A. W. Hurll, Chief Executive  
Commissioner, The Boy Scouts  
Association—United Kingdom

Mr. A. W. Hurll, Chief Executive Commissioner of The Boy Scouts Association in England, was awarded the C.B.E. in the New Year's Honours List.

Mr. Hurll has been Chief Executive Commissioner since 1948. He joined the Scout Movement in 1918 and was a Scout, Rover Scout, Scoutmaster and Local Association Secretary. He has been a member of the Imperial Headquarters Staff since 1921 when he joined as a Junior Clerk. Our Canadian readers may remember Mr. Hurll when he came here as Lord Rowallan's aide, during the latter's 1946 tour of Canada. We feel sure that all Scouters and other members of the Association in Canada would like to join in sending Mr. Hurll our sincere congratulations.



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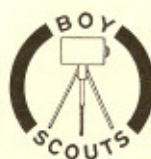
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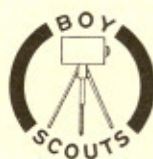
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to talk to the Cubs on their "Duty to God". In most church sponsored Groups, the clergyman is usually the Chaplain of the Group and, as such, is responsible for the religious training of the boys in that Group.

In an open or community Group, containing boys of more than one denomination, there will have to be an understanding between Akela and the clergymen concerned regarding Akela's explanation of "Duty to God". In such a Pack, Akela's responsibility is much greater and requires more tact. Prayers, for example, can be used in such a Pack if boys of the Roman Catholic and possibly Jewish faiths are excused and asked to withdraw. Directed Cub Silence which is a period of personal private prayer may be used in such a Pack. It is most important that the boys' thoughts be given some direction by Akela saying beforehand "Now is our time for a period of personal private prayer when we will remember so and so, or thank God for such and such".

Akela is expected to encourage his boys to carry out the requirements of their respective denominations. Rule Ten in P.O. & R. states: "Where it is not permissible under the rules of the religion of any Scout to attend religious observances other than those of his own church, the Scouters of the Group must see that such rules are strictly observed while the Scout is under their control". Thus, a Roman Catholic is not permitted to take part in a Cubs' Own Service, mixed church parade and prayers at camp or at Pack meetings. Cubs' Own, by the way, are supplementary to, and not in substitution for, proper religious observances, at which boys are encouraged to attend.

With the above points clearly in mind, the following ideas will be of value to Akelas in helping them bring "Duty to God" in to the life of their Pack and the lives of their Cubs.

Stories of the Saints are a gold mine worth working. Boys love stories and will listen with all their hearts. The stories are impersonal and yet they are the most intensely personal history of a soul in relation with God. They are a lesson in spiritual cause and effect. They are, like all hero worship stories, highly inspiring. Emphasize the human qualities of the Saints in telling the stories to your Cubs. Start off with the stories of St. George, St. Andrew and St. Patrick, and go on to the other Saints.

Not only should you tell and have your Cubs tell the stories of the Saints but their value could be greatly increased through play-acting portions of the stories. For example, the Cubs will have a wonderful time play-acting the legend of St. George and the Dragon; the carrying away, shipwreck and eventual rescue of the bones of St. Andrew and the landing of St. Patrick in Ireland on the night of the Druid Festival. These little plays can be done as Sixes and worked out as special items for a Parents' Night.

Use the stories of great Christian men of today and of recent date such as Dr. Albert Schweitzer and the early Canadian Martyrs.

Look over the book list on page 166 of *The Scout Leader* where we have reviewed books dealing with the Saints, the Bible and "Duty to God" in general. Visit your local library to learn of other such books for use by you and by your boys. Tell them where and how they can get such books. Give them books as prizes for your Pack competitions.

What about a Pack or a Cub Prayer that your boys can use in their private prayers. It should be simple and short. Have it typed on small cards and give one to each boy in the Pack. Prayers can be found in Tenderpad to Second Star, Cubmaster's First Year, The Catholic Scout's Prayer Book and other books as listed in the Stores

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To do our duty and enjoy our play;  
To keep our Wolf Cub Promise and to rest  
Happy that we have tried to Do Our Best.

#### A Pack Prayer

O God, Our heavenly Father, bless, we pray Thee, our Pack, and all who are Wolf Cubs; give us grace always to obey Thy will; and may we ever do our best to help and to serve other people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Regarding private prayer, here is what the Chief has to say in the Wolf Cub Handbook: "To do your duty to God means never to forget God, but to remember Him in everything that you do. If you never forget Him, you will never do anything wrong. You are taught to say grace before dinner, and to return thanks to God after it. Well, I think that you ought to do the same after everything that you have enjoyed, whether it's your dinner, or a good game, or a jolly day. God has given you the pleasure, so you ought to thank Him for it".

It enters more in the life of a Scout but an understanding Leader can, through Nature Lore, bring God before the minds of his Cubs. Through the study of nature and the resulting appreciation of all her wonders and beauties; through bringing the Cubs into closer touch with the plants, the animals, the rocks, the birds, the mystery of the sea and the heavens and the fasci-

nation of the colouring and the scent and the modeling of the scenery—thus, you will open the eyes of your Cubs to the wonders of God's creation and the acceptance of a divine controlling power.

Encourage your Cubs to earn the "Service" badges (First Aider, Guide and House Orderly) so that they may be of help to others. Start a tradition in your Pack that the first badge to be earned by each Cub will be one of the service badges.

Following up on the above is the encouragement and guidance to the Cubs to do their daily Good Turn. Starting first at home with the parents, then around the neighbourhood, then as a Six and occasionally as a Pack. Encourage them particularly to look for Good Turns to the sick and the aged, to families where the father is away and to boys and girls who are handicapped. The Pack may collect and make scrap books out of Christmas Cards to send to children's hospitals; collect books for distribution to veteran's wards and so on. As B.-P. once said: "We teach the boy that a gift is not his till he has expressed thanks for it. His attitude to God is, therefore, thankfulness for benefits received; and his method for expressing this is through service, on behalf of God, to his fellow men. This repression of self and development of that love, which means God within, brings a total change of heart to the individual and with it the glow of true heaven. It makes a different being of him. The question becomes for him not what can I get, but what can I give in life".

### Duty To God and The Boy Scout Movement

This is an extract from an address given by His Holiness Pope Pius XII on the occasion of an Italian Jamboree held in Rome in 1946.

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# Bob Browne's Spring Ramble!

By NORMAN MacMILLAN  
Caledonia, Ont.



THAT Saturday in April was one of those entrancing Spring days when you pity anyone who is forced to remain indoors.

It was the day the 1st Cedarhurst Wolf Cub Pack had chosen for their first Spring ramble.

Bob had leaped out of bed and rushed for the window to see if Old Sol was shining.

"Yippee," he shouted, "What a day!"

He donned his new Cub shorts and green-topped socks, ate a hurried breakfast, packed his lunch and ran across the Square in the direction of Cub Headquarters.

As a special treat, Akela had promised to give them some hints on fire-making, carefully explaining however that this is one of the many thrilling things they would be learning more about when they became Scouts.

"We leave the road at Wren's Flats," explained Akela, "and hike another mile and a half before we park for lunch. Keep in single file on the left side of the road and watch out for cars."

When they had reached the wooded area known as Moore's Bush, they awaited instructions from their leader.

"Gather around, Cubs," Mr. Turner called, "and we'll get a few pointers on fire-making."

The eager Pack crowded around the Cubmaster.

"Now, always remember to begin your fire with a small amount of very small chips or twigs. These must be of dry deadwood. About this, place little sticks leaning together in the shape of a pyramid. When the fire is well alight, bigger sticks can be added and finally logs. The kind of fire you make, of course, will depend on what you intend to cook. No use building a bonfire if you're only frying an egg."

When Akela had issued matches to each Six, the Cubs went off in search of firewood. When sufficient had been gathered, they commenced their test under the watchful eye of Akela.

It was not long before Jack Stubbs appeared before Akela. "We're out of

matches, Akela," he said, "May we have another try?"

"What's wrong?" asked Mr. Turner. "Are you sure you used small deadwood?" He glanced at the jumbled heap that represented the Blue Six's attempt at a fire, and added, "You must remember to build it so that air can circulate. You've just thrown a handful of wood in a pile and smothered it."

Patiently he showed them again. When he arose, he handed Jack another match. "Now light your fire," he exclaimed, "and I think you'll have a fire that any backwoodsman would be proud to own."

Bob Browne's Six came out winners.

Before a blazing grate-fire in the living room at home Bob related to his mother and father the events of his first Spring Ramble.

"Did you make sure your fire was out before you left?" asked his father. "Yep," Bob replied, "Akela says that is the first rule to remember. First and last . . . Safety First."

## 8th World Jamboree

There are only a few weeks left to plan for your participation in the great adventure of the Jamboree in the great *Horizons*. Every Provincial Headquarters has now published their closing dates for the receipt of applications. Every day we hear of plans being made by Scouts and Scouters who plan to be present at Niagara-on-the-Lake in August.

From the United Kingdom comes news of a giant air lift in which some 1,000 Scouts will fly to the Jamboree.

The French contingent will sail early in August and arrive at the Jamboree via New York.

The British Columbia contingent will depart in a special train.

Just imagine the fun and adventure these Scouts, and all the others of course, will have in their Jamboree Journey. Make sure your Troop is represented.

COME TO THE  
**8th. WORLD JAMBOREE**



**Niagara-on-the-Lake**  
CANADA



## Culled From A Part 1 Wood Badge Study

Here is an emergency training idea which we think you will find interesting.  
If you are looking for a programme idea your boys will enjoy, we suggest you try a similar scheme based on your local conditions.

### Question

Discuss with your Court of Honour the best ways and means of mobilizing the Troop in cases of emergency. Give an outline of the scheme and after having tried it out, discuss its success or failure and how you would improve upon it.

### Answer

Attached is an extract of a newspaper clipping of a stunt we pulled off, which was a huge success. I think it covers fully what you had in mind when you incorporated this question in the study. The town had a power failure just at that time, too, which made it that much more exciting for the lads.

20 Parkdale Avenue,  
Valois, Quebec.  
January 20th, 1954.

Dear Director Paiement:

It was very kind of you to give me some of your time last night to help plan the proposed "emergency" for Tuesday evening next, January 26th.

It is understood that you will arrange for a man (presumably from your department) to be the "missing person" and that he will be dressed appropriately for the occasion. It is suggested that he accompany you to Valois and we can decide at 7.15 what route he will follow.

For your convenience, I am attaching the proposed programme for that evening, and I want you to feel free to make any changes that you may desire.

Your co-operation and enthusiasm to assist us in this project is indeed encouraging. We hope that by preparing

ourselves for such an emergency we may, some day, be able to render valuable assistance to the community when called upon.

With kind personal regards,

Yours truly,

T. A. Leathwood,  
Scoutmaster.

Director Paiement,  
Pointe Claire Police Dept.,  
Pointe Claire, P.Q.

### Proposed "Emergency" Programme January 26, 1954

Scoutmaster will telephone Chief of Police about 6.15 p.m., Tuesday, January 26th. If there has been no change in plans, the following steps will be taken:

1. Scoutmaster will telephone his two senior Scouts and tell them that an "emergency" has been called by the Chief of Police, and that we are to meet at McDermott's Drug Store at 7.30. These two senior Scouts will then get in touch *immediately* with each Patrol Leader relaying the information to them, with instructions that they inform all Scouts under their immediate charge and to report for duty, by Patrols, at the place and time indicated.
2. At 7.15 Chief of Police will call at 20 Parkdale (home of Scoutmaster) with "missing person". We will then decide what streets the "missing person" will walk during his part in the programme.
3. Chief of Police and Scoutmaster will proceed to drug store at 7.25.
4. Chief of Police will address Scouts. He will tell them why they have assembled and give description of the

"missing person". He will tell the Patrol Leaders that the missing person is harmless and that he cannot speak a word of English or French because he is a Dutchman. When he is located, he is to be protected and a runner is to report back to McDermott's with the necessary information to the Chief of Police.

5. Chief of Police will instruct Patrol Leaders to be observant throughout their search because a written report will have to be submitted later by each Patrol Leader as to the part his Patrol played in the search.

6. Scoutmaster will then detail the Patrols to the different sections of Valois to be covered and the search will begin. Scouts will continue the search until called in by either Chief of Police or Scoutmaster.

7. When "missing person" has been found and turned over to Chief of Police, he can be taken away immediately by car.

8. Chief of Police can say a few words of thanks to the Scouts when they have re-assembled at Drug Store after search is over.

*The Lakeshore News*, Jan. 28, 1954

### Valois Scouts Find "Missing Person"

On Tuesday night last, while all the lights in Valois were still out, word was passed along by the Scoutmaster to his Troop Leader that Inspector Jaiet of the Pointe Claire Police had just called an "emergency" and that all Scouts were to meet at a centralized spot in Valois at 7.30 p.m. Patrol Leaders were then immediately informed and they, in turn, informed all



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Scouts under their immediate charge. At the appointed time and place, all Scouts were assembled before Inspector Jailet, who was accompanied by Sergeant Legault.

Inspector Jailet told the Scouts that there was a "missing person" in Valois who had to be located immediately, and he gave a description of a man as being about six-foot-two, slim, wearing a cloth cap with fir trim, cloth wind-breaker, either brown or grey pants, and that he was not sure what kind of shoes the man was wearing. After the description was given, the Scouts and Sea Scouts were divided into groups and the entire area of Valois was combed.

Forty minutes later, Patrol Leader Duckworth and Scout DeConde ran breathless into headquarters, which was situated in Valois Park School, and reported to Inspector Jailet that they thought the "missing person" had been located by their Patrol. The Scouts then accompanied the police in a squad car and the missing person was picked up and escorted back to the school headquarters. As the radio car returned to the school, the siren was sounded several times, which was a pre-arranged signal for all other Scouts in the community to return to the school.

Inspector Jailet then addressed the Scouts, saying that this "missing person" could have been a mental case, a wanted person, someone who may have jumped from an aircraft at Dorval entering the country illegally, etc. Their job was to find him and they did so in a splendid manner, and that they were to be congratulated. However, he explained, the "missing person" was a local resident of Pointe Claire who had played the part in co-operation with a pre-arranged "emergency" programme between the Scoutmasters of the Scouts and Sea Scouts and Director Paiement of the Police Force. Such a programme, the Inspector went on to say, was good training for Scouts and that they were to be encouraged. The police force, he told them, had a high regard for Scouting in the community and they know that they can call on the Troops to help in searches, etc., whenever called upon to do so.

The Scouts gave Inspector Jailet and his men three cheers for their co-operation in helping to make the programme a success, especially when they did so in their off-duty hours.

## PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

A total of \$100.00 is offered in Prizes by The Boy Scouts Association for entries submitted in the *Scouter Photographic Competition*. Entries will be received under three classes:

### CLASS A

Cover subjects. Suitable for reproduction as front cover pictures for *The Scout Leader* or for pamphlets. Outdoor pictures of Scouts, Sea Scouts, Senior Scouts or Rovers, against picturesque backgrounds of sky, water or landscape. Good indoor activity shots.

### CLASS B

Cub subjects showing Cub activities or groups with interesting faces or illustrating any phase of the Cub programme.

### CLASS C

Scenes and Portraits. Portraits of individual Scouts, Cubs or Rovers of any age, or of small groups engaged in activities, or against suitable outdoor (particularly camp) or indoor backgrounds.

### PRIZES

#### Class A

1. .... \$20.00 in cash
2. .... \$ 5.00 in merchandise from Stores Dept.
3. .... \$ 3.00 in merchandise from Stores Dept.

#### Class B

1. .... \$20.00 in cash
2. .... \$ 5.00 in merchandise from Stores Dept.
3. .... \$ 3.00 in merchandise from Stores Dept.

#### Class C

1. .... \$20.00 in cash
2. .... \$ 5.00 in merchandise from Stores Dept.
3. .... \$ 3.00 in merchandise from Stores Dept.

16 consolation prizes of \$1.00 each ..... \$ 16.00

Total prize money ..... \$100.00

All entries to be marked with name and address of sender, and class entered; X, Y, or Z.

All entrants must be registered Scouters of  
The Boy Scouts Association in Canada

**Entries close on October 31, 1955**

Winners announced in December, 1955 issue of *The Scout Leader*  
Prints should be glossy finish

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*The Boy Scouts Association retains the privilege of using any prize winning photograph. All pictures not winning prizes will be returned to sender only if a stamped, self addressed envelope is enclosed.*





**Man Under Water.** By Henry Billings. Published by The Macmillan Company of Canada Limited, Toronto, Ontario. Price \$3.00.

Here is a fascinating adventure story of the progress and adventure of man's eternal battle with water. In a swift-moving and easy-to-read story, the author spins for his readers the fascinating yarn of every aspect of man's under water activities. He explodes several of the time-honoured myths about how long man and other mammals can remain under water, and then goes on to tell the story of the development of the idea of the submarine. This book is highly recommended as non-fiction reading for Scouts and Scouters.

**The Scarlet Force.** By T. Morris Longstreth. Published by The Macmillan Company of Canada Limited, Toronto, Ontario. Price \$2.00.

There have been a great many stories, both fiction and non-fiction, written around the exploits of The Royal Canadian Mounted Police Force. This book is the first in a series entitled "The Great Stories of Canada". The author has been extremely careful in his research for this book and is very well qualified to tell the story of the R.C.M.P. "The Scarlet Force" is a book written for boys and one which they will find easy to read and extremely interesting.

**Raiders of the Mohawk.** (The Story of Butler's Rangers). By Orlo Miller. Published by The Macmillan Company of Canada Limited, Toronto, Ontario. Price \$2.00.

We are extremely happy to see the increasing number of books being produced in this country which are designed to paint, for young readers, a clearer picture of the adventurous and thrilling history of Canada. For boys, leaders and others who will be attending or visiting the World Jamboree being held during August 1955 at Niagara-on-the-Lake, this book will have particular interest. It is an exciting story of the dashing commandos

of early Canada led by one of our most colourful and controversial soldiers—adventurous Colonel John Butler. The story is based in Niagara and tells of the heartbreak, adventures and exciting life of young Daniel Springer of Poughkeepsie, New York, and his loyalist compatriots who fought under the command of the dashing Colonel John Butler. This book is highly recommended as good reading for anyone who enjoys a well-written and exciting adventure story—particularly Jamboree Scouts.

**The Golden Monkey.** By Captain Frank Knight. Published by the Macmillan Company of Canada. Canadian List Price \$2.00.

This is a tale set in one of the most exciting periods of Britain's maritime history, the dawn of the great clipper ship era and the time of the Australian gold rushes of the 1850's.

Young Johnny Spinner, a London boy whose father had disappeared in Australia has the good fortune to meet the captain of one of the new clipper ships built to compete with the American "Flyers" and is engaged by him as cabin boy. The ship sails for Australia with emigrants, and the tale is concerned partly with Johnny's adventures in his new life, and partly with his search for his father. The Golden Monkey, after which the book is named is a peculiarly shaped gold nugget known to have been in the possession of Johnny's father when he disappeared. Other clues are found as the tale develops, including the legend of Mad Melbourne, a sailor in an American ship who seems to know something of the Golden Monkey, and the reports of a mysterious girl who is also apparently concerned with it. The conclusion of the tale and the final unravelling of the mystery are woven into an account of one of the thrilling clipper ship races which were such a feature of the period.

The author who is an ex-merchant navy officer, has been at pains to secure historical accuracy.

**The Boy's Book of Bible Stories.** By Richard G. Robinson (Clarke, Irwin & Co. Ltd.). \$1.50.

An illustrated selection of six stories from the New Testament chosen especially to appeal to boys in the Cub age group.

**The Blue Book of Saints. The Brown Book of Saints. The Red Book of Saints.** By Christine Chaudler (Ryerson Press). \$1.00 each.

Each book contains eight or nine stories or legends, illustrated in black and white, of famous saints whose names are known to all—St. George, St. Augustine, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Nicholas, St. Patrick, St. Joan of Arc and many others.

**More Children Who Knew Jesus.** By Yvonne St. Claire (Ryerson Press). \$1.00.

A collection of stories of imagined children, typical of their time, who might well have met Jesus during His time on earth. Illustrated in colour.

**A First Book of Bible Stories.** By Mary F. Rolt (Macmillan Co.). \$1.25.

Forty stories from the Old and New Testaments, each told quite briefly and in simple language.

**The Story of Jesus\*—A Little New Testament for Catholic Children.** By Petersham and Petersham (Macmillan Co.). \$2.50.

In this edition the authors tell the story of Jesus as taken directly from the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine edition of the New Testament.

(Recommended by the Thomas More Association).

**Stories from the Old Testament.\*** By Petersham and Petersham (Winston).

**A Life of Our Lord for Children.\*** By Marigold Hunt (Sheed & Ward). \$1.75.

\*The Guild Book Shop, Ottawa, Ont.



# HEADQUARTERS NOTICES

His Excellency the Right Honourable Vincent Massey, C.H., Governor-General of Canada, in his capacity as Chief Scout for Canada, is pleased to announce the following Honours and Awards on the occasion of the anniversary of the birthday of Lord Baden-Powell of Gilwell, Founder The Boy Scouts Movement, February 22nd, 1955.

## Silver Acorn—3

### *For Distinguished Service*

Mrs. R. Retallack—Vancouver, British Columbia.  
Mr. Thomas L. Robinson—Edmonton, Alberta.  
Mr. Edgar Fraser Williams—Prince George, B.C.

## Silver Cross—4

### *For Gallantry with Considerable Risk*

A.S.M. William J. Hromyk—1st Kemano Troop, Vancouver, B.C. For his presence of mind in rescuing Philip Tonkinson from the Kemano River after their rubber dinghy capsized.  
Scout Michael Maloney—3rd Port Colborne Troop, Port Colborne, Ont. For his presence of mind in rescuing Michael Roach from Lake Erie after he had fallen through the thin ice while skating.  
Queen's Scout Milford Roy—1st Liverpool Troop, Liverpool, N.S. For his presence of mind in rescuing Patsy Why-not from the Mersey River after she had fallen from a boom.  
Cub Thomas Lyons Seymour—9th Belleville Pack, Belleville, Ont. For his presence of mind in rescuing Freddie and Harry Spice from the Bay of Quinte, when, while attempting to swim to a raft they got into difficulties and were in grave danger of drowning.

## Gilt Cross—2

### *For Gallantry with Moderate Risk*

Scout John Kenneth Ray—1st Stirling Troop, Stirling, Ont. For his presence of mind in rescuing Michael Joseph Long from Oak Lake after his boat broke loose and drifted away.  
Scout Robert Rees—5th Niagara Falls Troop, Niagara Falls, Ont. For his presence of mind in rescuing Leslie Marazza from the Valley Way Sand and Gravel Pit after he had fallen off the raft on which he was playing.

## Medal for Meritorious Conduct—2

Scout Bertrand Giroux—St. Joseph Troop, Jonquiere, Que. For the calm and efficient way in which he helped in the rescue of Mr. Leonidas Joubert from Lake Leandre, after his boat overturned.  
Scout Jocelyn (Fortin) Tapin—St. Joseph Troop, Jonquiere, Que. For the calm and efficient way in which he helped in the rescue of Mr. Leonidas Joubert from Lake Leandre, after his boat overturned.

## Certificate of Merit for Gallantry—1

Scout Jerry Large—1st Burlington Troop, Burlington, Ont. For his presence of mind in rescuing a young boy from 12 Mile Creek after he became weak and panicky and could not swim.

## Certificate of Meritorious Conduct—2

Scout Barry Backosti—R.C.A.F., Overseas—Formerly 2nd Comox (R.C.A.F.) Troop, Comox, BC For the calm and efficient manner in which he, assisted by another Scout, attempted to put out a bush fire  
Scout Douglas Foley—R.C.A.F. Station, Trenton, Ont.

Formerly 2nd Comox (R.C.A.F.) Troop, Comox, BC. For the calm and efficient manner in which he, assisted by another Scout, attempted to put out a bush fire.

## Letter of Commendation for Gallantry—3

Queen's Scout Maxwell Roy—1st Liverpool Troop, Liverpool, N.S. For his presence of mind in helping in the rescue of Patsy Why-not from the Mersey River after she had fallen from a boom.  
Queen's Scout Albert Roy—1st Liverpool Troop, Liverpool, N.S. For his presence of mind in helping in the rescue of Patsy Why-not from the Mersey River after she had fallen from a boom.  
Queen's Scout Churchill Schrader—1st Liverpool Troop, Liverpool, N.S. For his presence of mind in helping in the rescue of Patsy Why-not from the Mersey River after she had fallen from a boom.

## Letter of Commendation for Meritorious Conduct—1

Scout Robert Whitaker—12th Guelph Troop, Guelph, Ont. For the calm and efficient manner in which he assisted in the prevention of a serious accident to Lorne Holman who was in danger of falling off the roof of a house while dismantling a television aerial.

## Medal of Merit—16

### *For Good Service to Scouting*

Mr. Fred V. Davies—Assistant District Commissioner, Halifax, N.S.  
Reverend Leon B. Wright—Scoutmaster, Lockeport, N.S.  
Mr. John D. Vance—Assistant District Commissioner, Tillsonburg, Ont.  
Mr. D. Schutz—Cubmaster, Bamfield, B.C.  
Mr. Richard Rowe—Assistant District Commissioner, Windsor, Ont.  
Mr. Richard A. Norman—District Commissioner, Tillsonburg, Ont.  
Mr. Camille Drouin—Scoutmaster, Thetford Mines, P.Q.  
Mr. Robert McCartney—District Cubmaster, Windsor, Ont.  
Mr. Keith W. Magrath—Assistant District Commissioner, Windsor, Ont.  
Lt. Col. John B. Hardinge—President, Dunbar-Point Grey Area Council, Greater Vancouver District, Vancouver, B.C.  
Mr. W. C. Golding—District Commissioner, Hagersville, Ont.  
Mr. Gordon Crane—Area Commissioner, Vancouver, B.C.  
Mr. Douglas Copeman—Assistant Scoutmaster and D.S.M., Windsor, Ont.  
Mr. Earl Briba—District Scoutmaster for Training, Vancouver, B.C.  
Mr. Joseph Barnes—Assistant Scoutmaster, Greenfield Park, Que.  
Reverend Father Donat Albert—Member: Publications Advisory Committee, Gloucester Co., N.B.

## PAN-PACIFIC JAMBOREE

The Boy Scouts Association of Australia have invited Canadian Scouts to participate in a Pan-Pacific Jamboree being held in Clifford Park, near Melbourne, Australia, from December 29th, 1955, to January 9th, 1956.

The camp fee for this Jamboree will be in the neighbourhood of \$25.00, to which, of course, must be added travelling expenses, etc. If you are interested in this adventure in the land of the Lookaburra further information may be obtained from the Administration Department, Canadian Headquarters, 306 Metcalfe St., Ottawa 4, Ont.



# BLAZE A TRAIL TO OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

**A WORD TO PARENTS:** When your boy goes off to Scout Camp this summer, you know he's headed for a grand and glorious adventure. Scout Camp has just about everything a boy could ask for—swimming, boating, hiking, cooking, woodcraft, games—and the friendly companionship of many other boys.

Initiative and leadership is encouraged in your boy, the kind of self-reliance that makes for good neighbours and good citizens. At all times though, activities are supervised by experienced campers who regulate camp programmes and keep a parental eye on your boy.

Scout Camp is a democratic community with a strong spiritual tradition. Every boy has ample opportunity for religious worship and is encouraged to grow strong in the faith of his father while he grows strong in body and spirit.

## CHECK LIST

Here's a suggested list of items you may want along on hikes and at camp. Naturally, you're not going to need them all. But whatever you select—choose the best. Make sure it has been approved by Headquarters.

- ☐ Scout Field Cap
- ☐ Regulation Shirt
- ☐ Regulation Drill Shorts
- ☐ Regulation Stockings
- ☐ Regulation Scout Belt
- ☐ Regulation Garters
- ☐ Neckerchief & Slide
- ☐ Poncho-Raincoat
- ☐ Sandals
- ☐ T-Shirt
- ☐ Sweatshirt
- ☐ Swim Trunks
- ☐ Dunnage Bag
- ☐ Cooking Kit
- ☐ First Aid Kit
- ☐ Moccasins
- ☐ Toilet Kit
- ☐ Flashlight
- ☐ Scout Axe & Case
- ☐ Waterbottle
- ☐ Dinnerware Set
- ☐ Eating Set
- ☐ Blankets
- ☐ Blanket Pins
- ☐ Ground Sheet
- ☐ Sleeping Bag
- ☐ Compass
- ☐ Camp Mirror
- ☐ Money Pouch
- ☐ Spy Glass
- ☐ Spinning Rope
- ☐ Bed Tick & Pillow
- ☐ Water Bucket
- ☐ Hike Bag
- ☐ Rucksack
- ☐ Woodcraft Knife
- ☐ Clasp Knife
- ☐ Guard Rope
- ☐ Delta Lantern
- ☐ Match Box
- ☐ Field Glasses
- ☐ Firemaking Set
- ☐ Correspondence Kit
- ☐ Food Bags

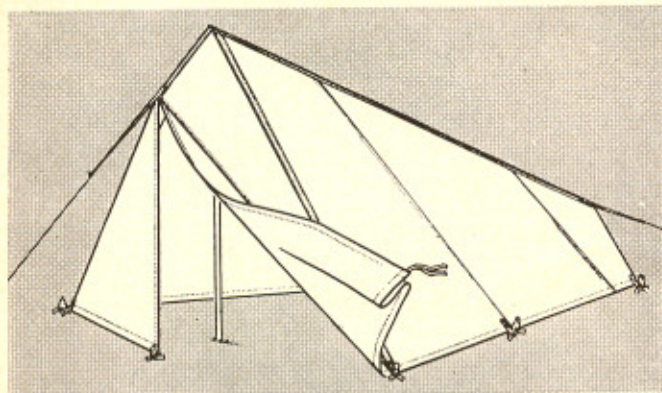


**REMIND HIM TO WRITE HOME FROM CAMP**



## LIGHTWEIGHT TENTAGE

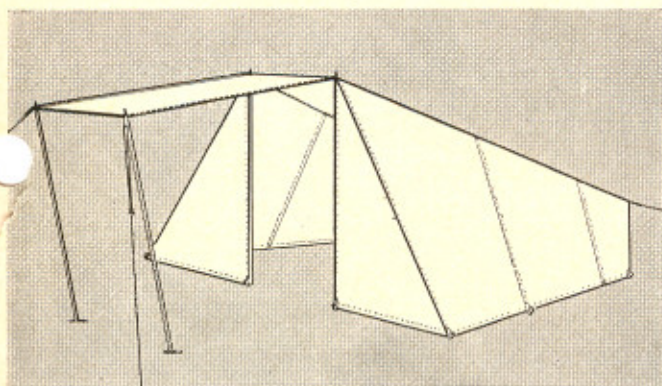
Below are three lightweight tents made of specially treated high count cotton fabric with a remarkable water repellent factor. Each is designed to provide adequate, dry, comfortable shelter for two or three boys, with a minimum floor space of about 30 square feet per boy. These lightweight shelters are recommended for short term camping. Where tents are intended for long term camping our Army Duck tents, the "Wall" or "Baker" design featured on this page are recommended.



**Overnighter Tent—Lightweight**

An easy-to-use tent that has plenty of space for two boys and is just right for overnights and short camping trips. Can be set up with shear poles or a single 6 ft. upright. Made of light green, high-count cotton fabric that will stand plenty of hard wear, and has a water-repellant finish. Its dimensions are height—6', width—8', depth—7½' and weight—4¼ lbs. Poles and pegs are not provided.

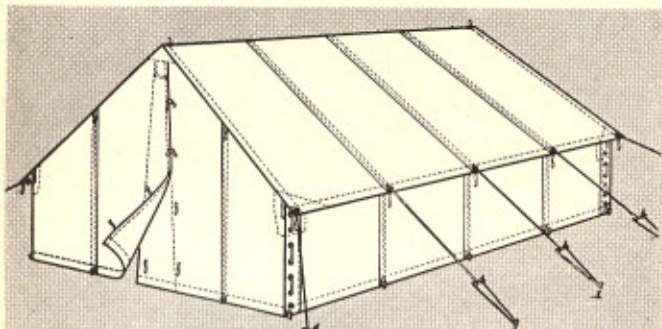
Price .....\$18.95



**Camper Tent—Lightweight**

Patterned after the famous Baker Tent, this roomy two-boy shelter has a short ridge, only 40" long, to eliminate the nuisance of the long ridge pole. It can be set up without a ridge pole. Made of high-count cotton fabric with a water repellent finish. Tent is 7' deep, 9'4" wide, ridge height 6', rear wall 23", weight 6½ lbs. Provides better than 30 square feet of floor space per boy. Complete with two aluminum poles and set of wood pegs.

Price .....\$37.95



**Wall Tent—8 oz. Army Duck**

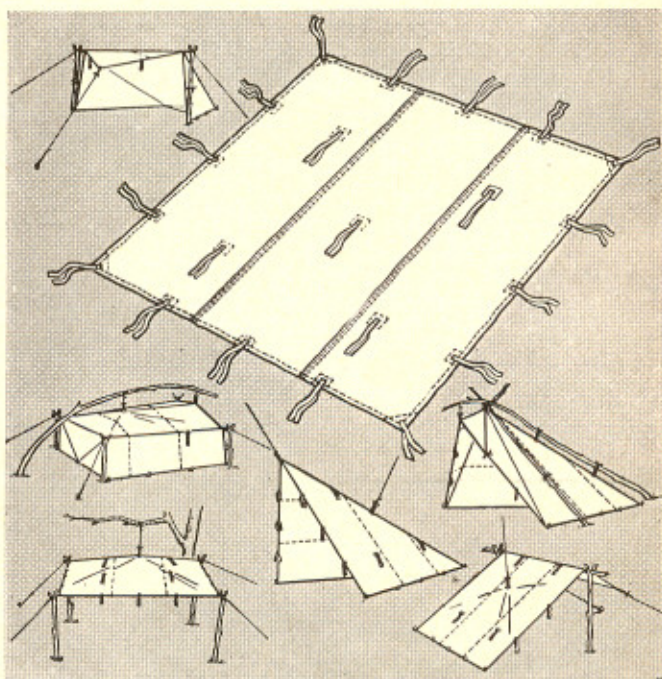
As a sleeping and general utility tent the "Wall" tent has no equal and will accommodate several boys or adults according to its size. Ample head room is provided while reefing side walls can be rolled up to permit easy ventilation. Made from 8 ounce Army Duck which has been thoroughly waterproofed and in a durable khaki shade. Available in two (2) sizes and shipped complete with wooden poles and pegs.

Price, size 8' x 9' with 3' wall .....\$44.95

Price, size 9' x 12' with 3' wall .....\$62.95

## YOUR BEST BUY - OFFICIAL BOY SCOUT TENTS

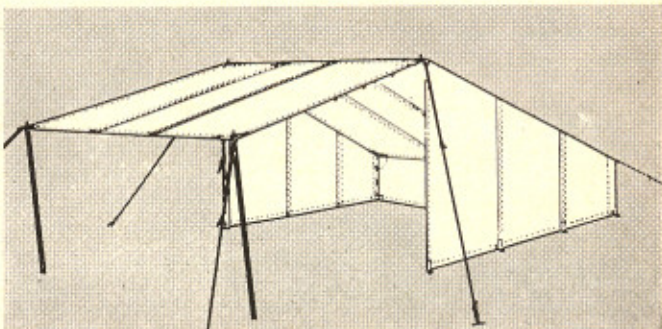
*"They're built to rigid specifications"*



**Tarp Tent—Lightweight**

This durable, lightweight, versatile tarp tent measures 10'4" x 10'4". It can be pitched in a variety of ways as indicated in the illustration, and it makes an excellent kitchen or dining shelter. Has 21 tie tapes securely stitched to the fabric. Made from tough wearing cotton with a water repellent finish. Weight is 4½ lbs. Poles and pegs are not provided.

Price .....\$17.95

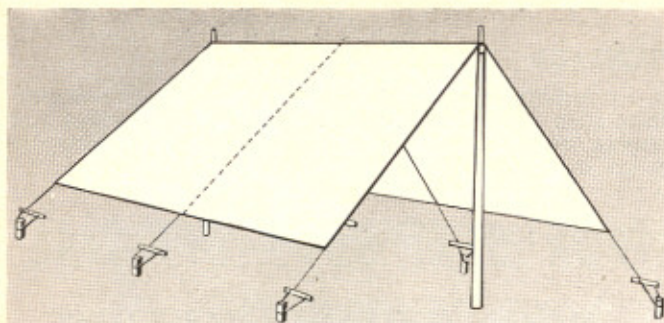


**Baker Tent—10 oz. Army Duck**

This famous tent affords year round shelter with ample sleeping and storage space. Made of superb quality 10 ounce Army Duck fabric in smart Pearl Grey shade, with water-repellant and mildew-resistant finish. Dimensions are 7½' deep, 8' wide, 6' high, 2' rear wall. Front fly extends 6' which can be dropped and fastened to close tent in bad weather. Tent weighs 15½ lbs. Set of aluminum poles and wood pegs are included in price.

Price .....\$63.95





### Kitchen or Dining Shelter

Specially featured for use as a Kitchen or Dining shelter. Made from 8 ounce waterproof khaki duck, complete with guy ropes, wood poles and pegs. Size of ridge is 14 feet and width 17 feet. This is a necessary shelter for camp comfort.

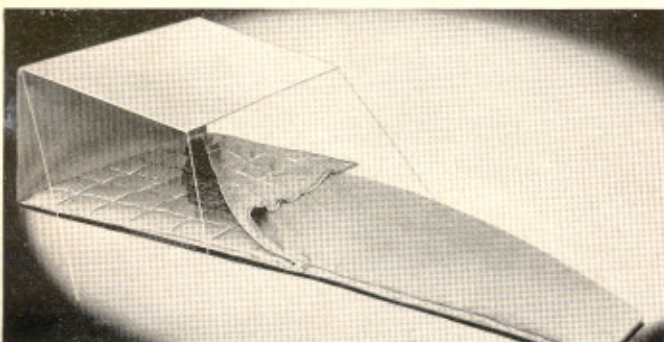
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### Camper Sleeping Robe

An excellent sleeping robe for the Cub or Scout at a moderate price. Has a thick wool batt insulation, fine cotton drill cover. Lining is strong, long wearing red soft brushed cotton. Quilted to hold insulation from shifting. Has pillow attached. Zipper opening. Handy carrying or storage bag. Size 34" x 72". Weight 6 lbs.

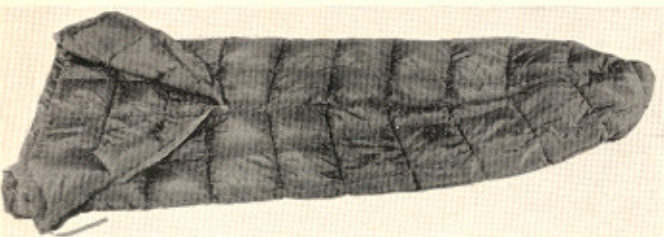
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### Sleeping Robe and Ground Sheet

Fashioned from Palmetto drill lined with doeskin and with wool batt filling. This robe has a combination ground sheet and carrying bag which forms a protection hood as illustrated. Size is 34" x 78" form shaped at foot. Approximate weight 9 lbs. Highly recommended.

Price ..... \$21.95

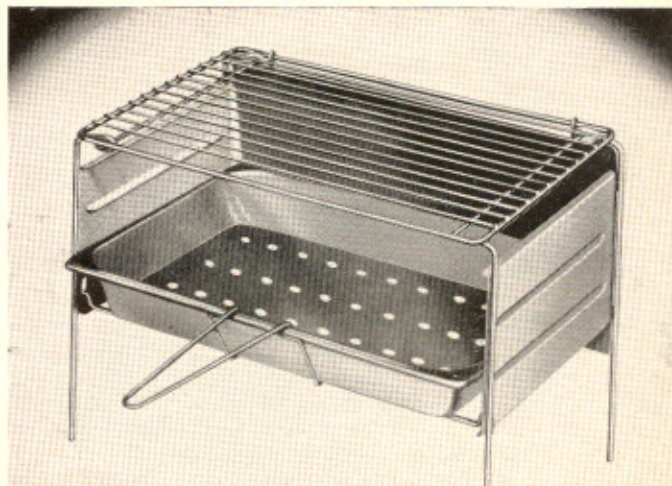


### Nylon (Feather Filled) Sleeping Robe

This robe is the campers dream. Covering is a high count Nylon Taffeta inside and out in a serviceable dark olive green shade, the very finest water repellent material. Filling is 90% fine curled chicken feathers and 10% goose feathers. Size is approximately 78" long and 30" wide tapering to 14" at foot. Has a 24" zipper opening. Weight is only 4½ lbs.

Price ..... \$26.95

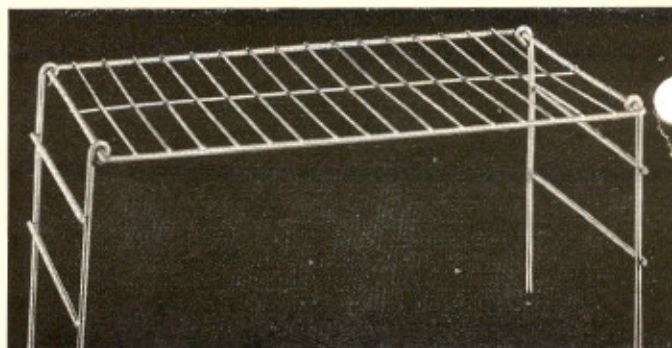
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### Camp Stove and Grill

This rugged steel broiler has a movable fire pan that gives 4-level heat control, adjustable from simmer to broil. Rod grid for broiling, flat surface for frying. Firebox is planned to use charcoal or other hard fuel and is perforated to give just the right draught. Length 18", width 11¼", depth 13½", weight 9 lbs. Shipped in special container giving directions for assembly.

Price ..... \$6.45



### Camp Cooking Grid

Made of heavy steel rods with uprights for inserting into ground. Folds flat for easy carrying or storage. Can be used with any type of fire. Size of grid surface is 21½" by 13" and weight is 3¼ lbs.

Price ..... \$2.50



### Camp Blanket

Of first quality all wool. Attractive Scout Green colour, ideal for camp or home use. Size 56 x 75 inches, weight 2½ lbs. Highly recommended.

Price ..... \$7.45

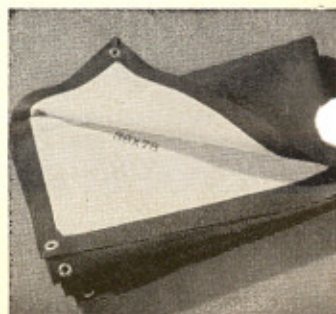
### Blanket Pins

Four inch steel pins, per set of 6 ..... .55

### Camp Ground Sheet

Specially made for Scout use from black thoroughly waterproofed rubber. Size 36 x 78 inches finished with metal grommets at corners. Weight 2¼ lbs.

Price ..... \$2.95





*Are you ready for --  
those "tasty" camp meals?*

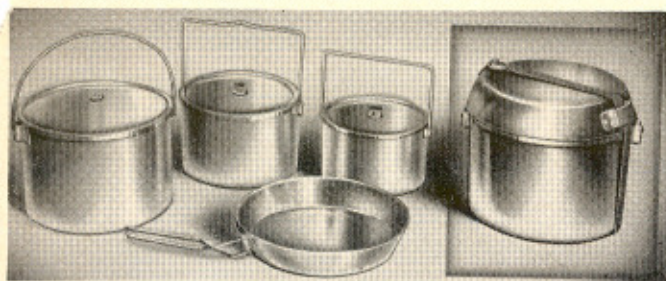
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#### Camp Cooking and Eating Set

Set of heavy gauge, durable aluminum cooking and eating utensils for Group and Patrol use. Parts nest together in compact canvas cover for easy carrying or storing. Set includes 3 stew pots, 2 frying pans with detachable handles, cocoa pot, 4 plates and 4 cups. Weight 7½ lbs. Extra cups and plates may be purchased to enlarge set for patrol needs.

Price, complete as illustrated ..... \$19.95  
Price, extra cups, each ..... .50  
Price, extra plates, each ..... .75



#### Patrol Cooking Kit

This kit provides all essentials for the preparation of food sufficient to satisfy 6 or more hungry boys. Consists of a two quart saucepan, a three quart saucepan and a five quart potato pot, a detachable bail handle and a ten inch frypan. Made from heavy gauge aluminum the kit nestles together when not in use and is secured with a carrying strap. Weight 4 lbs.

Price ..... \$9.75



#### Camp Cooking Pots

Almost any kind of cooking can be undertaken with these pots. The lids make excellent frypans as they are deep and equipped with detachable bail handles. The pots are of one, two and four quart capacity. Fashioned from heavy gauge aluminum, easily cleaned, the pots nest together for compact carrying purposes. Weight 2½ lbs.

Price ..... \$7.75



#### Individual Cooking Kit

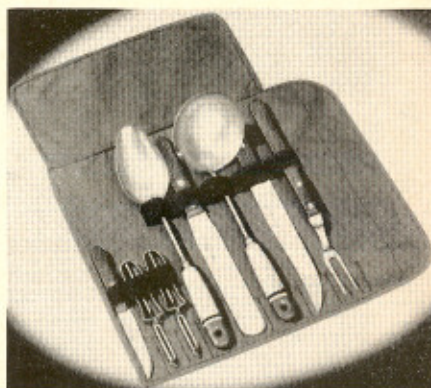
This is it, Scouts, your own individual cook kit made from heavy gauge aluminum that will render years of useful service. Set consists of a Frypan with folding handle, a Cooking Pot with handle and cover, a Drinking Cup and Plate. All items nest together and fit into a carrying case with sling straps. Take it along on your next hike and enjoy the food it will prepare. Weight 1½ lbs.

Price ..... \$3.95

#### Camp Cooks Tool Kit

Contains all essentials for outdoor cooking. Includes a pot fork, meat slicer, spatula, fruit knife, basting spoon, ladle and potato peelers in handy roll-up case.

Price ..... \$6.95



#### Individual Eating Set

Stainless steel set that will not rust or tarnish. Solid one-piece construction for long life and utility. Parts clip into compact unit. Contained in handy carrying case.

Price ..... \$2.35



#### Dinnerware Set

Consists of a 9" plate, a 14 oz. soup or cereal bowl and a 6 oz. cup and saucer. Made from a breakage resistant material that will render long service. Attractive yellow colour.

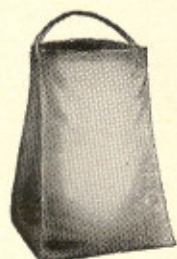
Price (set of 4 pieces) ..... \$2.75



#### Plastic Food Bags

Moisture proof, leakproof, reusable plastic bags for carrying and protecting foods on hikes and camping trips. Set consists of five (5) bags, two (2) small, two (2) medium and one (1) large complete with rubber band keepers.

Price ..... .55

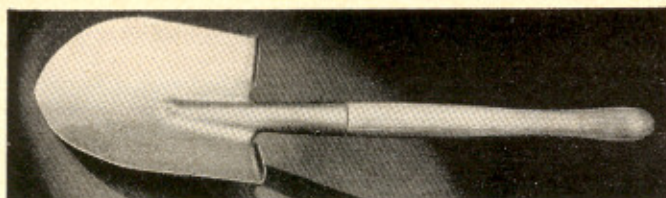


#### Camp Water Bucket

Wedge shape that avoids spilling. Made throughout of high grade waterproof canvas. Capacity 10 pints. Weight 6½ ounces.

Price ..... \$1.95



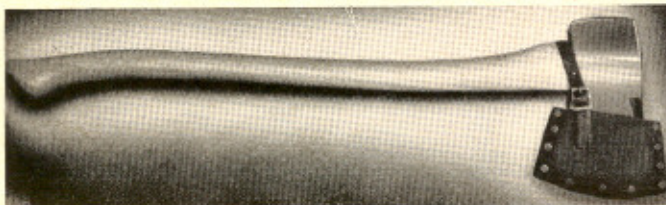


### Camp Shovel

Rugged short handle shovel, easy to carry, great for any digging chore around camp and for snuffing out camp fires. Shovel length is 23" overall, has 15" hardwood handle; steel blade is 6" wide, 8" long. Weight 1 lb. 4 ounces.

Price

\$1.95



### Camp Felling Axe

A well balanced axe with blade forged from high grade steel. Smooth finished hardwood handle. Blade is protected with leather guard sheath as illustrated. Weight 3 1/2 lbs.

Price

\$5.25



### Norwegian Rucksack

By far the best-known rucksack among hikers. Made from high count grey waterproofed canvas. Has three outside pockets and a main inside sack. Metal carrying frame with adjustable padded leather straps. Of excellent construction throughout. Available in two sizes as listed.

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### Scout Rucksack

Excellent for hiking purposes. Of 12 oz. duck strongly reinforced. Has 2 outside pockets for small articles. Main sack measures 20 x 19 inches protected by cover with draw strings. Weight 1 1/2 lbs.

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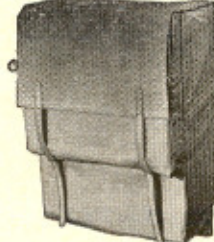


### Scout Hike Bag

A splendid rucksack for that one day hike. Made from 10 oz. duck with three pockets (inside) and adjustable shoulder straps. Size of main pocket is 15 by 13 inches. Weight 3/4 lb.

Price

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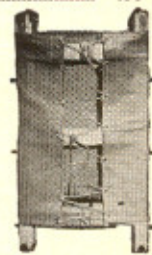


### Pack Sack and Board

Here it is, the famous Nelson Pack Sack and Board, by far the best hiking gear available. Made from excellent quality 12 ounce waterproof duck. Overall measurements is 13 x 21 inches providing ample space for all necessities. Extra equipment, i.e., blankets, etc., can be lashed on the Board. Weight 5 lbs. Highly recommended.

Price complete

\$17.00



### Pack Board

While primarily intended to form part of the famous Nelson Pack Sack and Board it can be readily used for lashing on of all types of hiking gear. We therefore offer those not requiring the Sack. Of excellent construction throughout the Pack Board provides a comfortable method for carrying equipment. Size 13 x 25 inches. Weight 3 lbs.

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### The "Scout" Compass

A sensitive Silva System compass for beginners. Air type with all necessary features for map reading and compass work. Sapphire bearing in needle offsets need for needle lock. Strong construction. Sent with instructional booklet.

Price

\$1.95



### The "Rambler" Compass

This newest Silva air compass has induction dampened needle providing faster and more accurate direction finding. An excellent compass for all-round use. Instructional booklet provided.

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New improved Silva Voyager Compass has liquid dampened needle and transparent bottom making it ideal for accurate map reading and direction finding. Has luminous reference points and both millimeter and inch scales on plate. Instructional booklet included.

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### Delta Lantern

Sturdy plastic case mounted on metal base with swivel action. Has 800 foot piercing spot beam. Excellent for camp and home use.

Price with battery

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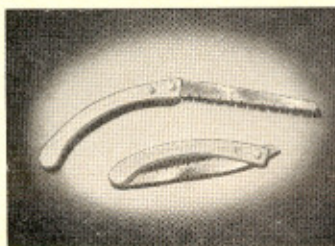


### Waterbottle

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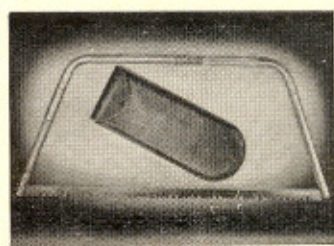


### Forester Folding Saw

Compact, lightweight, safe folding saw with 12" blade of Swedish charcoal steel, polished birch handle. Blade locks in open or closed position.

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Blade is of finest tempered steel. Frame is aluminum alloy designed to hold tension of blade. Can be taken apart and fitted into case measuring 14" x 5".

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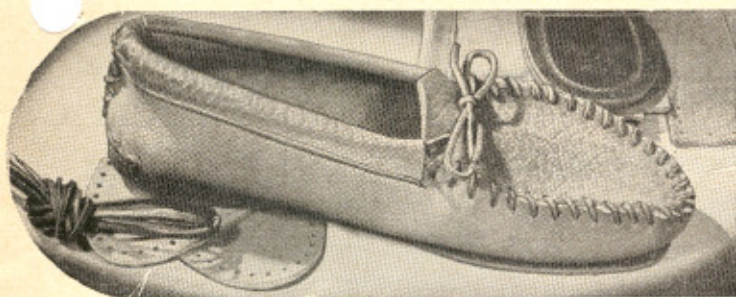
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### Moccasin Kit

Here you are, Cubs, Scouts and Leaders, a complete Moccasin Kit, and in your idle minutes (not hours) sit down and make yourself the lightest, comfortable, and most durable pair of Moccasins you have ever owned. These Kits are completely cut out and punched ready for you to go to work. No tools or needles are required and directions included with the Kit are easy to follow. A "must have" for camp—that summer cottage and wonderful for indoor wear.

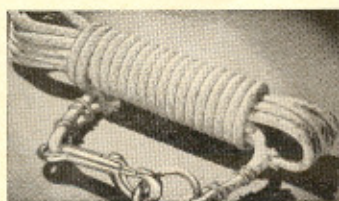
Boys' sizes, 1-2-3-4-5 and 6 ..... \$3.55  
Men's sizes, 7-8-9-10-11 and 12 ..... \$3.85



### Spinning Rope

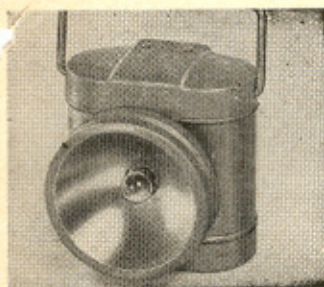
Lots of fun and healthy exercise can be had with this 20 foot rope. The spinning rope has become very popular as a part of Scout training.

Price ..... \$1.75



### Guard Rope

Length 15 feet equipped with snap fastener and ring for joining to other ropes. Useful at rallies, exhibitions and for rescue work. Can be carried on the Scout belt. Price ..... \$1.25



### Midget Utility Lantern

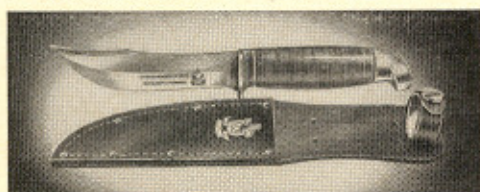
A small all-purpose lantern combining high quality with low price. Especially suited for bicycle use. Grey enamel finish.

Price (complete with batteries) \$1.45  
Extra battery for above, each .15



### Flint and Steel Set

Pioneer Campers were never without Flint and Steel. Kit contains piece of Vanadium Steel, Flint and Tinder in khaki roll-up case. Instruction leaflet included. Price ..... \$1.25  
Extra flint for above set ..... .35



### Official Woodcraft Knife

A finely balanced knife of top craftsmanship. One-piece chrome-vanadium steel, tempered to take and keep a keen cutting edge. Hand grip is of smooth ring leather. Blade is 4 inches in length and has a convenient finger guard. Knife is contained in leather sheath for attaching to belt.

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### Sharpening Stone

Carborundum stone that puts keen sharp cutting edge on knives, axes and other edge tools. Contained in leather case to fit on belt.

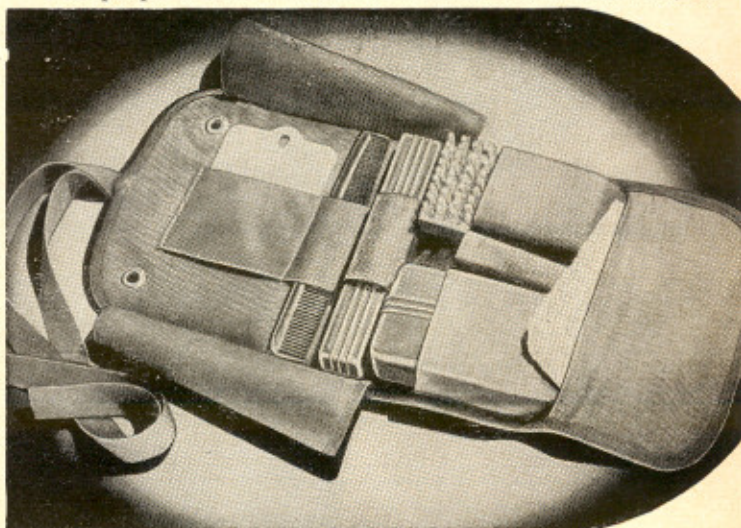
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### Sandals

Why not give your feet a holiday now and then by wearing sandals whenever you can at camp or on your summer vacation. You'll find them the most comfortable footwear ever. Available in small, medium, large and extra large sizes.

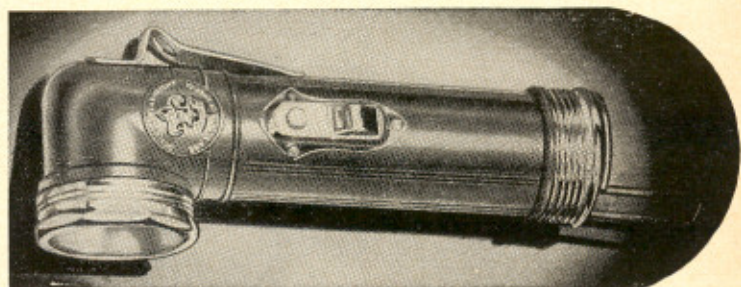
Price per pair ..... \$2.95



### Toilet Kit

All the personal essentials you need for camp or that overnight hike are included in this compact toilet kit. It contains an unbreakable metal mirror highly polished, a good quality hair comb, tooth brush container and a soap box of unbreakable plastic, a high grade hair brush and face cloth. All items are contained in a waterproof khaki "Roll-up". Highly recommended.

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### Flashlight

Nothing quite so essential as a flashlight for outdoor use. Here is one made specially for Scouts that has a powerful light of 400 ft. beam, L-head design, 3-way switch for signalling purposes and metal clip for attaching to belt. Smart khaki finished case complete with bulb and two batteries.

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An excellent glass moderately priced. Has 3-power, 40 mm. lenses. Closes to 5 inches. Neck strap and carrying case.

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A six-power tubular telescope with precision-ground lenses. Extends in three sections to 14". Wide field of clear vision. Great for bird study.

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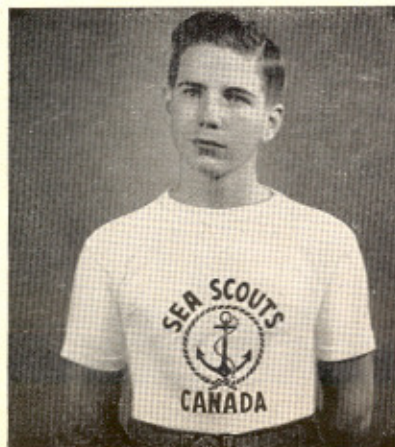


Official T-Shirts for Boys and Leaders

T-Shirts are a "must have" for camp, that summer cottage and for general wear in hot weather. Made from good quality white ribbed cotton with short ¾ length sleeves and crew-neck, and with the official badge processed on front as illustrated.

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NOTE: When ordering T-Shirts be sure and state the badge design required. Cub, Scout or Sea Scout.



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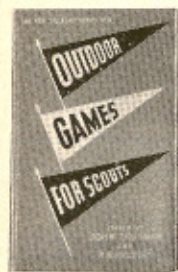
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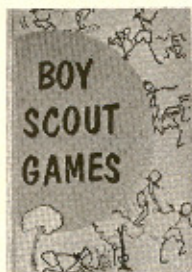
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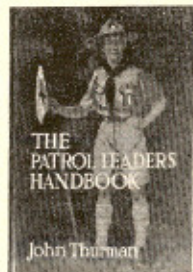
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