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## CANADIAN HEADQUARTERS

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of us who are privileged to go, a graphic portrayal of the World Brotherhood of Scouts in action.

Scoutmaster Jack Young,  
2nd Shale Falls Troop.

Dear Jack:

How glad I was to hear that two of your Patrol Leaders are coming to the Jamboree. Sorry that your job will prevent you from being there for the full time but I shall certainly look forward to saying hello to you and the family when you come down for the opening on Saturday.

Plans are moving ahead and I am sure we are going to have a great show. More and more countries are telling us that they will be represented and in certain cases we have every reason to believe that our "Breaking the Dollar Barrier" scheme is responsible for some countries sending boys to the Jamboree who would otherwise not be in a position to do so. It is wonderful to think that the idea started by the 3rd Tillsonburg Troop has grown to the point where we have now received over eight hundred sponsorships. It was grand of your Troop to sponsor a boy from the Windward Islands and we want to congratulate them on the fine job they did raising the necessary funds. The sort of thing your chaps did has been duplicated all over the country and it is a wonderful demonstration of Scout Brotherhood. Of course the Jamboree itself is going to give all

The implications of this Jamboree and what it can do for Canadian Scouting are tremendous. The two chaps who are going from your Troop have, I am sure, been made fully aware of the responsibility that rests on them, not only to act as worthy representatives of their Troop and District but to play their part as gracious hosts to the Scouts from other lands. After the big event they will have the privilege of telling of their experiences to the members of the Scouting family and interested friends who were not able to be there. If boys who have had the wonderful experience of attending a World Jamboree are given the opportunity of telling the story of the event afterwards, they make great ambassadors for Scouting.

One last point Jack, do not forget to arrange a sendoff for your Jamboree boys. It will impress upon them the importance of their mission and will bring to the attention of many of your towns people the value of Scouting as a great world brotherhood.

Please give my best to all the family. When is that son of yours due to go into the Cub Pack?

Yours truly,

Chief Executive Commissioner.



# Canadian Nature

The Magazine for Scout Leaders

## A FRESH APPROACH to nature and conservation

Here is the magazine that demonstrates what fun it is to observe the action and function of animals, plants, soil and water. This helps us to know how to apply the knowledge for the wise use of these resources. It will help us to arouse in others the need for their conservation and restoration. No other task can be more urgent or compelling at the present.

Some of the highlights in issues for the current school year—

All from the Soil  
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Safety First in Nature  
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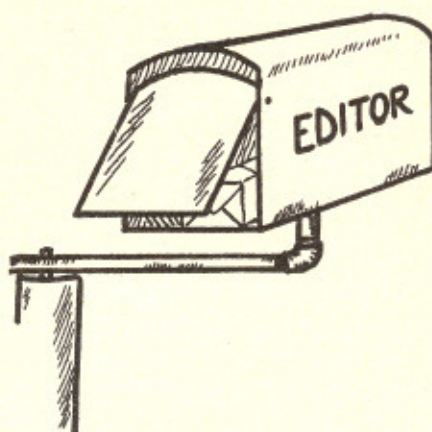
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find \$2.00 to cover subscriptions for *The Scout Leader* for my two Assistants.

Having never written to the Editor of *The Scout Leader* before, I would like to take this opportunity to express to you the sincere delight which I feel with the receipt of each copy of the magazine, the contents of which are most welcome and useful.

When I was in Cranbrooke two of our friends there were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Purvis. Bill is a Cubmaster, and Helen, his wife, a Guide Commissioner. Similarly, I am a Cubmaster and my wife, Betty, is the local Guide Commissioner. I wonder if there are many instances of this situation in Canada?

Sincerely,

Eric Denison,

Cubmaster, 1st Smithers, B.C., Pack.

■ Thanks for the subscriptions and we do hope other Section leaders will encourage the Assistants to read *The Scout Leader*. As to your last paragraph, how about it readers?

Dear Sir:

About a year ago I asked you to run an ad in your magazine, asking for other Editors to exchange their Scout Publications for mine. I am terribly sorry that I did not thank you at that time for doing so.

I have received many replies from Scouts and Scout Leaders all over the world. My biggest thrill was a letter from The Netherlands and one from New Zealand. I can't thank you enough for your favour.

By the way, I have 36 Exchange Units on our mailing list.

Thank you again for your much needed help.

Yours in Scouting,

Kenneth M. Krug,

Editor,

Lo-Kali Scout Publications,  
Buffalo, N.Y.

■ It is always a pleasure to help in this way. The more we read of what others are doing in Scouting, the better prepared we will be to lead our own boys. Are there any other Groups who would like to exchange Troop or Group papers?



# EDITORIAL

IN summer a young Scout's fancy turns to thoughts of camp and for that matter so does the Scouter's. Even if your boys have enjoyed the thrill of camping throughout the year, as they should, still it is natural to look forward to summer camping and all the thrills that go with camping adventures. Every boy who joins a Scout Troop looks forward to the day when he can pack his gear and move into camp with his friends in the Troop. It is hard to describe the keen excitement a boy feels when he knows there is to be a Troop camp, makes all the arrangements to attend, and finally waves goodbye to his parents. This is what he joined Scouting to find and here is part of the realization of many dreams.

A good Scout camp does not just happen, as any experienced Scouter will tell you. Well before that young adventurer sets off there has been careful planning on the part of his Scouters and Group Committeemen. Very likely they have read a booklet called, "Camping Standards for Canadian Scouters", very carefully and decided what to do at each step is dealt with in the turning pages. They realized that the information contained in this little booklet was compiled after many Troop camps by experienced campers and Scouters. However, one wonders how many look through our Founder's book about camping—*Scouting for Boys*. If you do you will find there an emphasis on the Patrol System in Scout camping.

In his writings you will read, "Scouts' camps should be small—not more than one Troop camped together; and even then each Patrol should have its own separate tent, at some distance from the others. *This latter is with a view*

*to developing the responsibility of the Patrol Leader for his distinct unit."* While it is acknowledged that there are some local conditions which tend to disrupt this advice from the man who started Scouting, still it should be the aim of every Scoutmaster to conduct regular Troop camps wherein the Patrol System is really worked. It is not the easiest method of Troop camping, at first, but we are chiefly concerned with the training of boys and the Patrol System is the basis of our training programme.

Whatever your method of camping or hiking this year it is suggested that you set two important targets. Give the Patrol Leaders a chance to demonstrate their leadership abilities and the other Scouts an opportunity to taste real camp-

ing using the Patrol System. Secondly, set a high standard of cleanliness in thought, word and deed. You need only look about you at our national parks and picnic grounds to see the need for this latter point. "Litter louts" as they have been aptly described by an English writer, are a scourge to our Nation and Scouts can help by setting a good example of cleanliness. It is also an accepted fact among experienced campers that a dirty camper is an unhealthy one.

Finally may we suggest that you write across the programme for each day in camp, "Make sure everyone is having fun". To use a word that our founder coined, let's "happify" our camps and indeed all our activities. Good Luck and Good Camping.

## ERROR IN MAY ISSUE

The article, "Your Campfire Song Book" on page 203 of the May issue of *The Scout Leader*, was written by William J. Reddin, assistant district commissioner of Fredericton, N.B., and not A. F. Matson as shown in the heading of this article.



It is easy and good training to keep campsites clean like these fellows from Montreal at their Troop camp in the Laurentians. Then there is more time to enjoy other things like the two Montreal boys in the Cover Picture who are about to set out on Camp Tamaracouta's Nature trail. Will you have a nature trail in your camp this years?



# 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
- ☐ Sweat Shirt
- ☐ 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

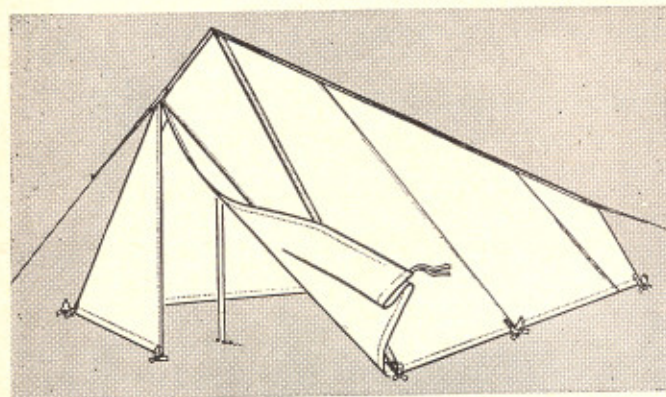


**REMIND HIM TO WRITE HOME FROM CAMP**



## LIGHTWEIGHT TENTAGE

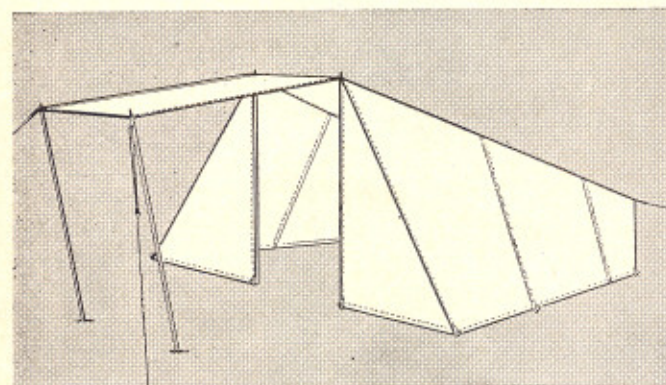
Below are three lightweight tents made of specially treated high count cotton fabric with a remarkable water repellent factor. Each is designed to provide adequate, dry, comfortable shelter for two or three boys, with a minimum floor space of about 30 square feet per boy. These lightweight shelters are 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-4½ lbs. Poles and pegs are not provided.

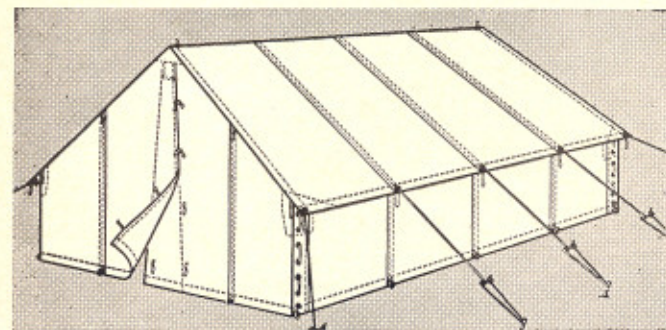
Price ..... \$18.95



**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.

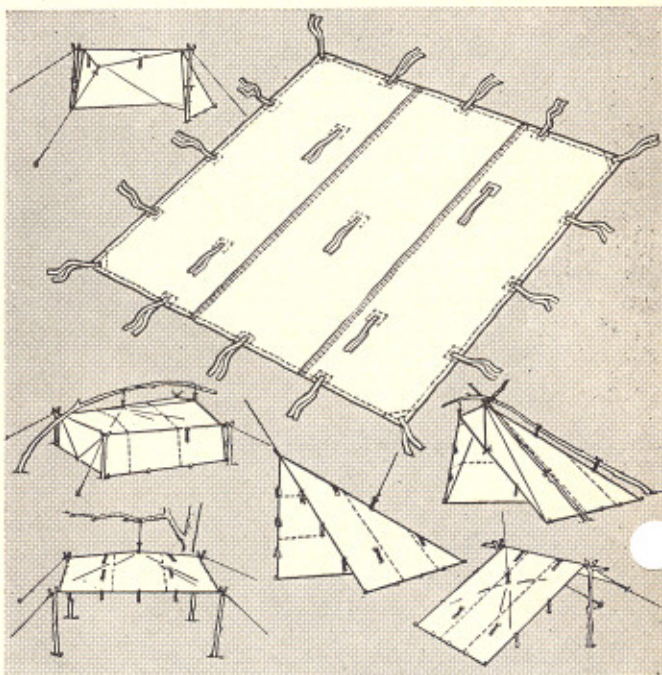
Price, size 8' x 9' with 3' wall ..... \$44.95

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

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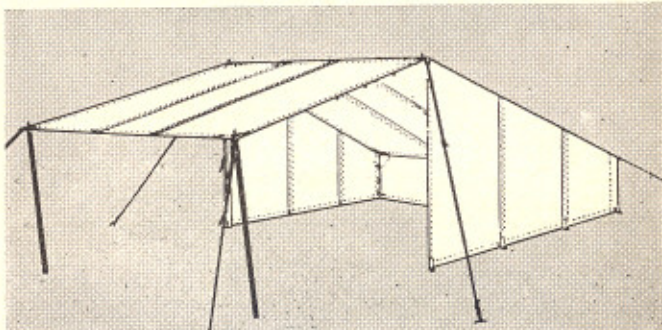
*"They're built to rigid specifications"*



**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

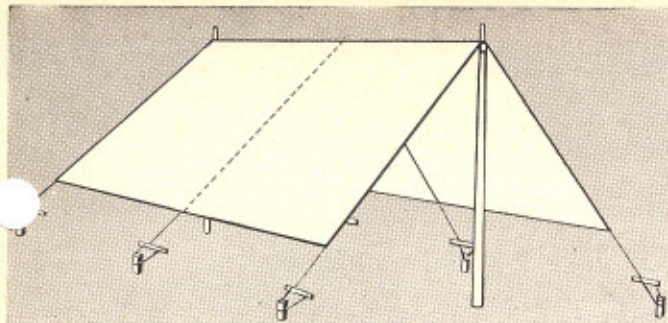


**Baker Tent—10 oz. Army Duck**

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

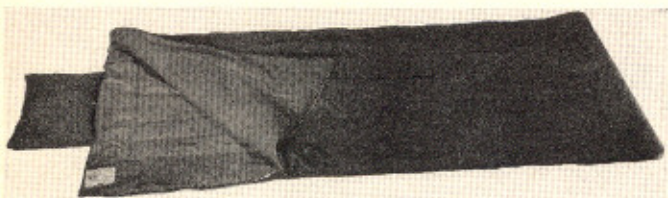




### Kitchen or Dining Shelter

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.

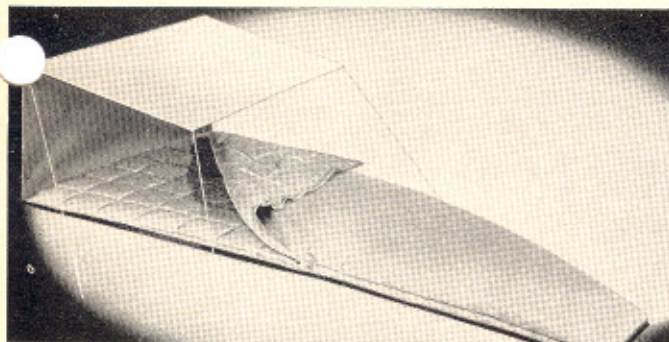
Price, complete with poles and pegs ..... \$49.95



### 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.

Price ..... \$10.95



### 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

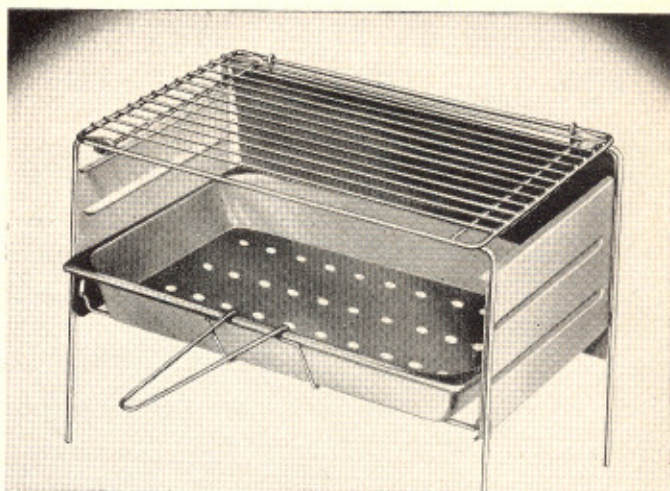


### Nylon (Feather Filled) Sleeping Robe

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 4 1/2 lbs.

Price ..... \$26.95

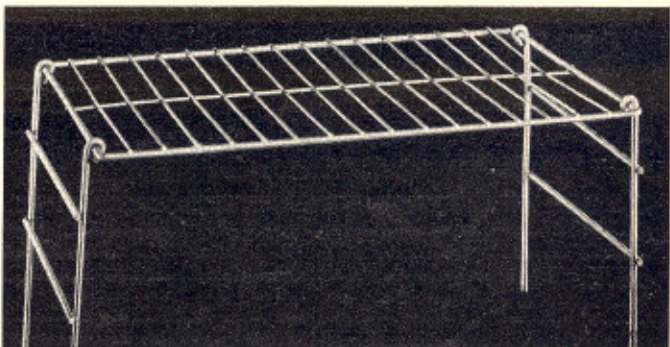
IT'S FUN TO -  
COOK, EAT and SLEEP -  
OUTDOORS



### 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 11 1/2", depth 13 1/2", 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 21 1/2" by 13" and weight is 3 1/2 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 2 1/2 lbs. Highly recommended.

Price ..... \$7.45

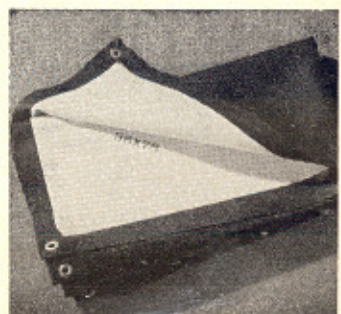
### Blanket Pins

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 2 1/2 lbs.

Price ..... \$2.95





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

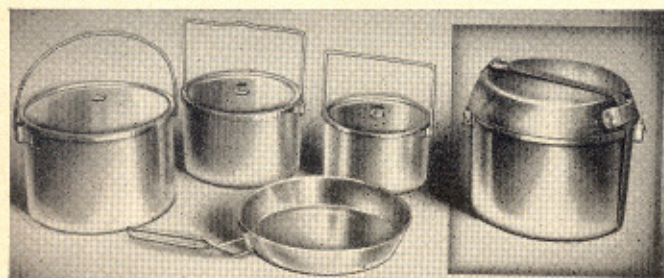
**BE PREPARED - SELECT YOUR GEAR  
FROM THIS TESTED EQUIPMENT**



#### 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

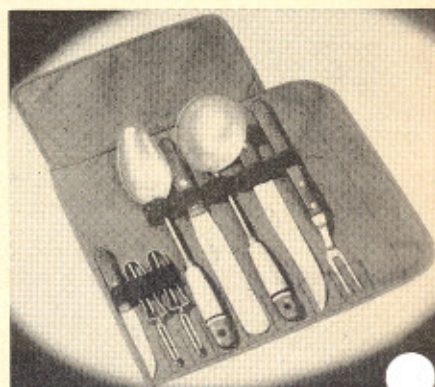
This is it, Scouts, your own individual cook kit made from heavy gauge aluminum that will render years of useful service. Set consists of a Frypan with folding handle, a Cooking Pot with handle and cover, a Drinking Cup and Plate. All items nest together and fit into a carrying case with sling straps. 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.

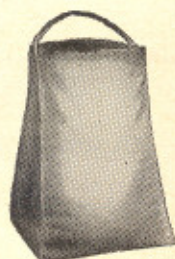
Price (set of 4 pieces) ..... \$2.75



#### 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

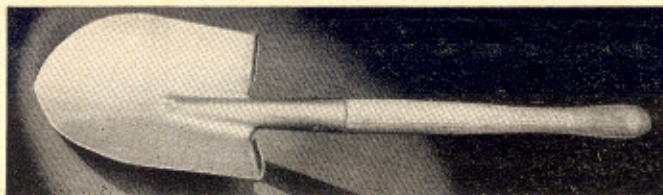


#### Camp Water Bucket

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.

Price, Leaders and Rover Scout size \$19.75

Price, Boy Scout size \$15.75



### 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.

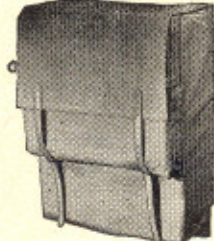
Price \$4.95



### 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.

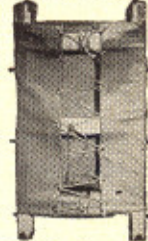
Price \$2.95



### 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.

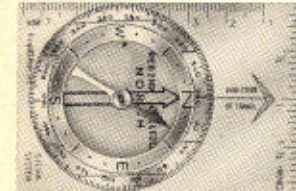
Price complete \$17.00



### 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 this board as a separate item to those not requiring the Pack Sack. Of excellent construction throughout the Pack Board provides a comfortable method for carrying equipment. Size 13 x 25 inches. Weight 3 lbs.

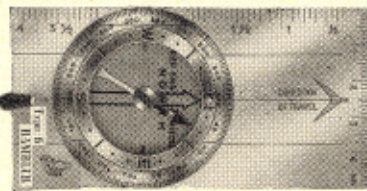
Price \$8.75



### 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.

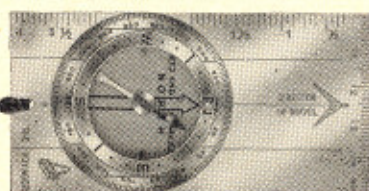
Price \$1.95



### The "Rambler" Compass

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

Price \$2.95



### The "Voyager" Compass

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.

Price \$4.95



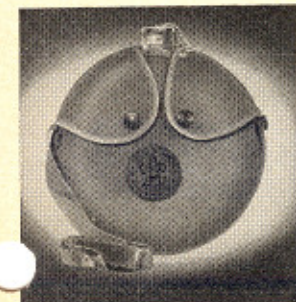
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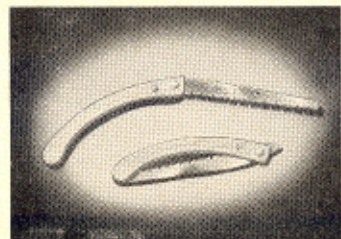
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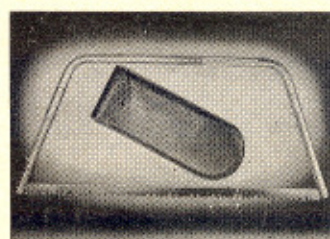
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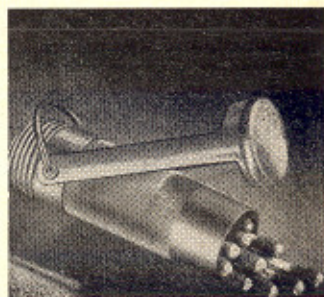
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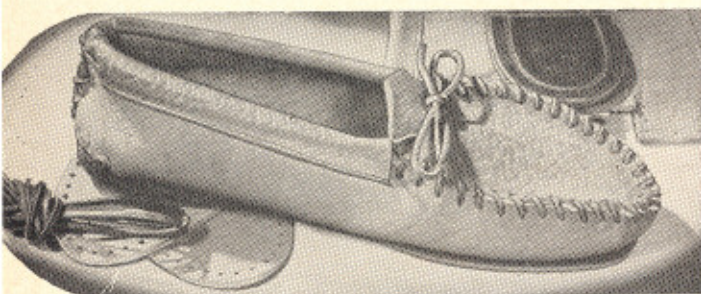
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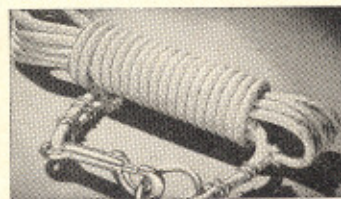
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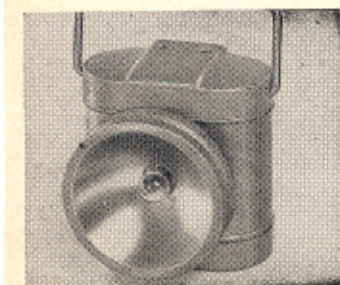
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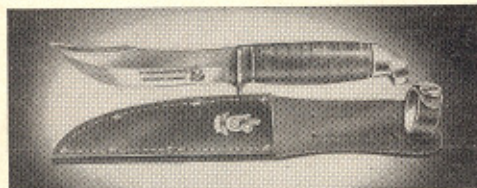
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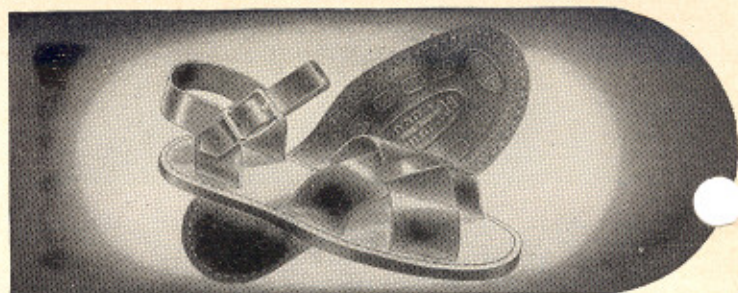


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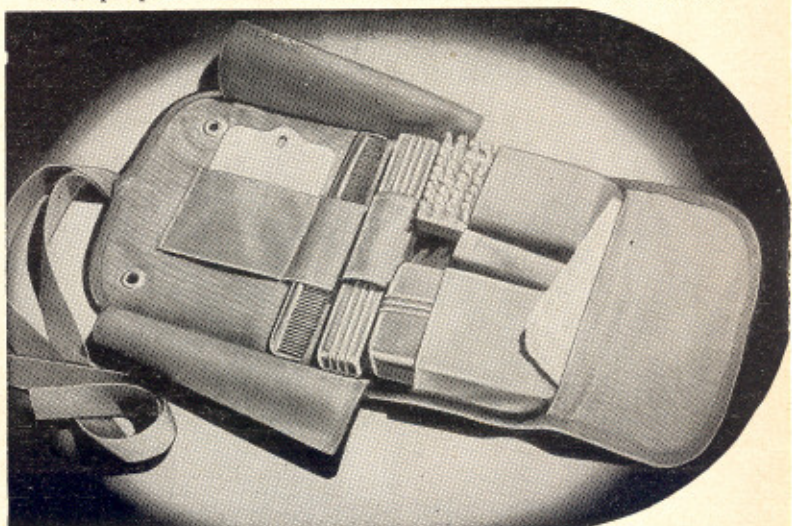
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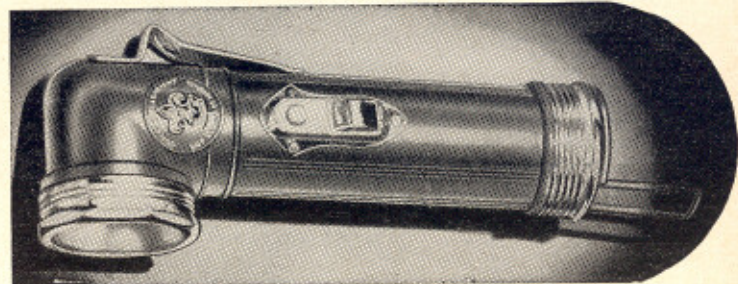
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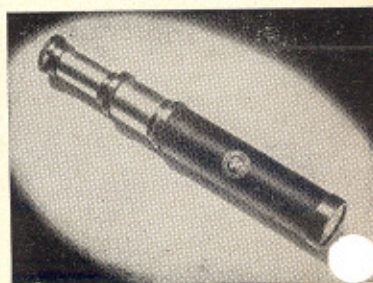
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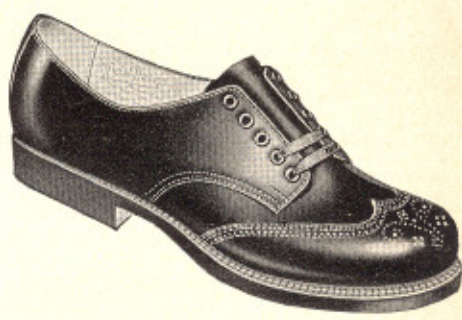
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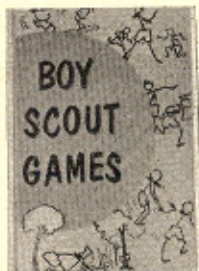
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**BACON**—Cook in frying pan without any fat. Be careful, bacon cooks quickly. Cook to a light golden brown. Do not cook crisp unless some camper requests his that way, and then only for him. Turn the bacon once.

**SAUSAGES AND ONIONS**—Place sausages in hot frying pan without grease, frying and turning until a nice brown. When about half done, cut up a few onions and smother the sausages with them. It helps to put a lid or plate over the pan when they are about done and pour in about  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup of water.

**BEEF AND LAMB STEW**—First cut beef and lamb into cubes about one inch square. Fry in a frying pan hot grease and diced onions. When onions are a golden brown, put in beef cubes and sear them white. Now place meat and onions in a kettle or boiler, cover with cold water, boil up quickly, then gently until meat is almost tender (about 1 hour). Add salt and pepper to taste. When meat is right, put in diced potatoes and any other vegetables such as carrots, tomatoes, turnips, etc. Keep covered with water and boil slowly until vegetables are soft (about  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour more).

**LAMB STEW (OR BEEF) WITH MUSHROOM DUMPLINGS**—3 lbs. fore-quarter lamb cut in pieces, flour, salt and pepper to taste,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup sliced onions, 5 cups boiling water, 3 carrots, 2 tblsp. chopped parsley. Roll lamb in seasoned flour, brown with the onions in hot fat in kettle. Add boiling water and simmer slowly for 2 hours. At end of first hour, add the carrots and 1 hour later the mushroom dumplings.

**Mushroom Dumplings**—1 cup sifted flour, 2 tsp. baking powder,  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. salt,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup condensed mushroom soup, 3 tblsp. water. Sift dry ingredients to-

gether, then add the mushroom soup and water to make a soft dough. Drop by spoonfuls into the boiling stew, cover, making sure the cover is very tight, and cook for 10 minutes without raising the cover.

Remove the stew to a hot platter, surround with the dumplings and sprinkle with parsley.

**BEEF POT ROAST**—Wipe the meat with a damp cloth. Sear it and brown it in hot, greased frying pan or pot. Place in a deep kettle on a trivet or small pebbles. Surround the beef with 1 cup cubed vegetables such as carrots, celery, turnip or a small onion. Cover tightly and cook below boiling point until the meat is tender. Add hot water as needed. Season the meat when partly cooked. Meat cooked like this requires about 30 to 40 minutes to the pound. **ROAST BEEF**—In roasting beef, use no water in the pan. Have moderate heat in oven—for rare, about 15 minutes to the lb.; for medium, 25 minutes to the lb.; for well-done, 30 minutes to the lb. Put in salt when half cooked. If the meat is not fat, put pieces of suet around roast to make fat drippings for basting. Baste about every 15 minutes.

If cooked in Dutch Oven on ground, be careful not to make too much fire or meat will cook on top only (and maybe burn). Procedure is to multiply number of lbs. of meat at 25 minutes per lb.; at half the total time, remove embers around pot, lift pot and turn meat over—replace pot and embers, and continue cooking.

**BRAISING MEAT**—Place meat in a covered kettle with about 2 inches of hot water in the bottom. Various vegetables, or combination of vegetables such as sliced onions, potatoes, turnips

and tomatoes, may be added and cooked slowly for several hours. One hour before removing from fire, salt should be added. Gravy may be made by pouring some of the liquid from the kettle and adding a little hot water, salt and flour (4 tblsp. flour to 1 cup liquid) mixed until smooth and cooked until thick.

**HUNGARIAN GOULASH**—3 lbs. lean beef, 2 cups flour, 5 tblsp. butter,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  tblsp. paprika,  $1\frac{1}{4}$  tblsp. salt, 2 small onions, 1 small clove of garlic,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  cups hot water. This requires a pot with a cover. Cut beef in 1 inch square cubes and roll in flour, pressing in as much flour as possible. Then put pot on fire and add butter. When this is hot put in beef, salt and paprika. Stir around thoroughly until brown, then add cup of hot water and onions which have been cut up fine, and the whole garlic. Cover pot and cook slowly until tender.

**HAMBURG PATTIES**— $2\frac{1}{2}$  lbs. minced beef,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup finely chopped onions, 1 tblsp. fat,  $\frac{1}{2}$  pt. dry bread crumbs, 1 tblsp. salt, pepper, 1 can tomato soup. Saute onions in heated fat until tender. Combine all ingredients. Mix thoroughly. Shape into patties, 1 inch in thickness. Melt a small amount of fat in large pan. Pan-fry patties on top of stove (10 to 12 min.) or bake in oven at 400°F. (20 to 25 min.) until browned and well-cooked. Turn to ensure even cooking.

**BARBECUED MEATS**—Rig up a tripod in front and over a reflector fire. Tie the meat on a strong string or piece of wire and suspend it just above the level of the ground. Below the meat place a metal bowl or plate to catch the drippings which are used for basting the meat while cooking. This method requires a blaze rather than hot coals. Not very much wood required. A 6 lb.



leg of lamb requires  $2\frac{1}{2}$  hours to barbecue—5 lb. rib roast about  $1\frac{3}{4}$  hours.

**BARBECUED CHICKEN**—If chicken is over  $2\frac{1}{2}$  lbs. in weight, boil it first in a pot of hot water for 45 min. It will then only take  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$  of an hour to barbecue.

**CHICKEN POT PIE**—5 lbs. boiling chicken, 8 medium sized potatoes, 8 small carrots, 8 small onions, 1 tsp. salt, dumplings, 3 tblsp. fat, 33 tblsp. flour,  $\frac{1}{8}$  tsp. pepper. Clean, singe, wash and disjoint chicken. Put in a saucepan with onions, add enough hot water to cover and bring to boiling point. Cover and cook slowly until chicken is about tender. Add potatoes, carrots, salt and pepper and cook until potatoes and carrots are soft, about 20 min. Place dumplings on top of chicken and vegetables. Cover tightly and cook 15 min. longer until dumplings are light. Do not

uncover pot while dumplings are cooking. Remove chicken, vegetables and dumplings to a hot platter. Melt fat, mix with flour to smooth paste, add to stock and bring to boiling point. Serve with chicken.

**CHICKEN A LA KING**—1 tblsp. butter, 1 cup diced mushrooms, 1 tblsp. finely chopped green pepper, 4 tblsp. flour,  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. salt,  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. celery salt, few grains pepper,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups milk, 1 cup chicken broth, 3 cups diced cooked chicken, 1 tblsp. finely chopped parsley, 1 tblsp. pimiento cut in small pieces. Melt butter in a pan large enough to take all the ingredients and add mushrooms and green pepper. Stir and cook 5 minutes. Add flour mixed with seasonings. Cook 5 minutes. Add milk and chicken stock slowly. Add chicken, parsley and pimiento. Re-heat. Serve on toast.

**HAMBURGER PIE**—1 medium sized onion, chopped fine, 2 tblsp. fat,  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb. ground beef or Hamburg Steak, salt and pepper to taste,  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb. cooked green beans or 1 No. 2 can ( $2\frac{1}{2}$  cups) drained, 1  $10\frac{1}{2}$  oz can condensed tomato soup, 5 medium sized potatoes, cooked and mashed,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup milk, 1 egg,  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. salt,  $\frac{1}{8}$  tsp. pepper. Brown onion in hot fat, add meat and seasonings and brown together. Add beans and soup and pour into a greased casserole. Combine mashed potatoes, milk, beaten egg and seasonings. Spoon to form mounds or spread over meat mixture. Bake in moderate oven ( $350^{\circ}\text{F.}$ ) for 30 min.

**CORNEBEEF WITH LIMA BEANS**— $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. salt, 3 cups cooked lima beans, 1 lb. corned beef, 2 tblsp. fat, 2 tblsp. flour,  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. salt,  $\frac{1}{8}$  tsp. pepper,  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup milk,  $\frac{3}{4}$  tsp. mustard, 1 tin condensed tomato soup ( $10\frac{1}{2}$  oz.). Sprinkle salt over beans and arrange them in alternate layers with the corned beef and onion in a well greased baking dish. Melt the fat, blend in flour, seasonings and milk. Cook until thick. Add mustard and tomato soup and pour over contents of baking dish, and bake in a moderate oven ( $350^{\circ}\text{F.}$ ) for 30 min.

**SPAGHETTI AND MEAT SAUCE**—1 pkg. spaghetti. Cook in boiling, salted water for 20 min. Drain and rinse with unsalted cold water. 1 lb. minced steak,  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. salt,  $\frac{1}{8}$  tsp. pepper, 1 onion cut fine, 1 green pepper cut fine, 1 can tomato soup,  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup water. Mix all ingredients together in pan and cook 20 min. Add spaghetti—reheat—serve.

**PORK CHOPS EN CASSEROLE**—Pork Chops, 1 can peas, 1 can tomato soup. Cut bone away from as many pork chops as are required. Dip them in thin mixture of flour and milk and fry until brown. Season, place in casserole and pour over them 1 can peas, from which liquid has been drained, and 1 can tomato soup. Bake in moderate oven ( $350^{\circ}\text{F.}$ ) for 45 minutes.

**BOILED POTATOES**—Pare the potatoes and cut into quarters if they are large. Put in boiling, salted water and cook 20 min. to  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour. When cooked, drain the water from pot and allow to sit near fire for a few minutes.

**POTATOES IN JACKETS**—Select 2 medium sized, smooth potatoes per camper and wash clean. Put in salted boiling water, sufficient to cover, and boil from 30 to 40 min. and serve hot with jackets on.

**MASHED POTATOES**—Boil potatoes as in recipe for boiled potatoes and when cooked, mash with potato masher. Milk and a little butter will improve the potatoes.



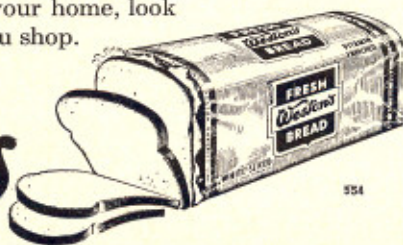
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# Summer

By The Training Department

## Scouting is an all year programme—w

With the approach of summer, will your programme melt away in the warm summer sun leaving your boys to run wild, and thereby making it hard to bring them together in an integrated group in September? Many of our Groups apparently close down completely for this, the most important quarter of the year for Cubbing and Scouting. This is despite the fact that very few of our boys go away for the entire summer. Some go away for part of the summer and the great majority do not go away at all. Therefore, you can be sure that, at any time, you will have Cubs and Scouts who will be most happy to take part in a programme of organized Scouting activities.

What is required then is obviously another call upon that most important facet of Leadership—Imagination.

You can be sure that there will be a great many people, particularly parents, who will be anxious to assist in a Summer Programme which you might suggest. Why not call your boys' parents together, outline the aim of a Summer Activities Plan and ask them for assistance in putting this plan into action. If you are looking for ideas to incorporate in this Outdoor Programme, ask your boys, before breaking off regular meetings, for a list of things that they would like to do during the Summer Programme. Sixers Councils

and Courts of Honour with a great variety can then discuss it.

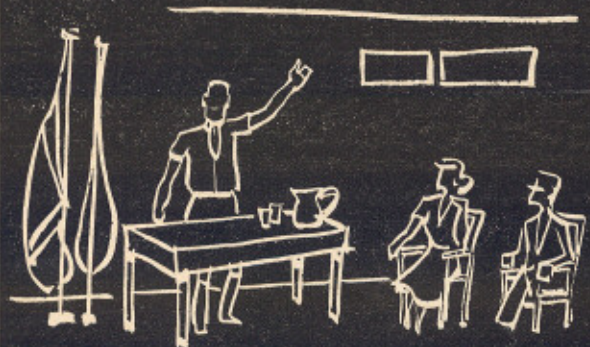
Here are a few one Group who have made their programme successfully.

1. Plan a "Learn to Swim" campaign and encourage swimmers during the summer. Think they know? Suggest working on a "Certificate from the Swimming Society or Royal Life-Boat Society." Here you will see the help at the family pool.

2. Scouts and Cubs would enjoy a trip to a local farm, a visit to a local museum, or a day in the country. An urban area could have a week-end in the country, and ending with a meal cooked in the field.

3. A family picnic requires careful planning. The variety of the work can be made more interesting by parents. Father and Son, and Mother and Daughter, and driving to the picnic, and prizes, and treasure hunts are things which will make a full-of-fun affair for all.

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# Activities

at Canadian Headquarters

## What about your pack, troop or crew?

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5. If there is a zoo or natural history  
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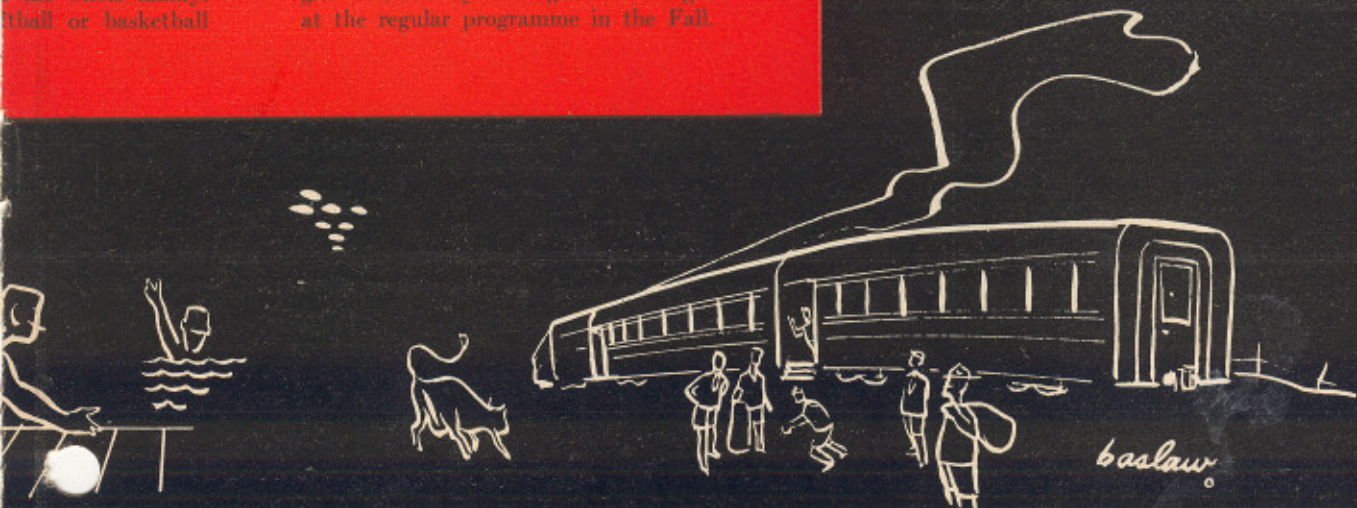
6. A father and son fishing contest  
with mothers making up suitable prizes  
for the biggest fish caught, smallest  
fish (within the legal limit) and the  
best fish story.

7. Offer your assistance to Patrol  
Leaders who might plan composite  
Patrol week-end hikes.

8. The Cubmaster could arrange to  
take the Pack on a one-day visit of  
the Troop Camp.

9. As a special treat for your Sixers  
and Seconds, take them away for a  
week-end to your summer cottage or  
to the cottage of one of your boy's  
parents. It will give you and your  
Assistants a wonderful opportunity to  
really get to know your boys. The same  
sort of thing applies to members of the  
Court of Honour.

Finally, start slow and sure, but do  
start. Even if you only manage one  
meeting a month this is better than  
no activities for the summer, at all. The  
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gramme, thereby making it easier to get  
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**BAKED POTATOES**—Wash the potatoes thoroughly; cut them slightly down the middle to let out steam. Bake in hot oven until soft—about 1 hour.

**BROWNED POTATOES**—Select 2 potatoes per camper, about the size of eggs, or if larger, split to about that size. Peel and wash. Place around roast in same pan about 40 to 50 min. before time for the roast to be done.

**SCALLOPED POTATOES**—Wash, pare and cut potatoes in thin slices. Soak in cold water  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour. Put a layer of potatoes in a greased baking dish, sprinkle with salt, pepper and flour and dot with small bits of butter. Repeat the process until all the potatoes are used. Add enough hot milk to almost cover top layer. Bake in a moderate oven ( $325^{\circ}\text{F}$ .) 1 to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours.

**FRENCH FRIED POTATOES**—Pare 5 or 6 potatoes. Cut in strips  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch thick and soak in cold or ice water 1 hour. Drain. Dry between towels and fry in deep, hot fat until a delicate brown. Drain on unglazed paper. Sprinkle with salt.

**HASHED BROWN POTATOES**—Melt 2

tblsp. fat in frying pan. Add 2 cups finely chopped cold potatoes, 1 tblsp. chopped parsley,  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. salt and few grains of pepper. Mix thoroughly, then allow potatoes to brown on under side. Fold over like an omelet.

**POTATO CAKES**—Shape cold, mashed potatoes in small flat circular cakes. Sprinkle with flour. Fry on one side until a delicate brown in a small amount of fat, turn and fry on the other side.

**POTATO PUFFS**—3 medium sized potatoes,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup boiling water,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup fat,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup flour, 2 eggs, 1 tsp. salt,  $\frac{1}{8}$  tsp. pepper, few grains nutmeg. Pare potatoes and cook in boiling salted water. When done, put through a ricer or coarse sieve. Put water and fat over fire and bring to boiling point. Add flour and cook, stirring constantly until mixture leaves the sides of pan. Cool. Add eggs 1 at a time, beating well after each egg is added. Add potatoes to this mixture with salt, pepper and nutmeg. Season more if necessary. Drop by tablespoons in hot fat and fry 8 to 10 min. or until brown. Drain on unglazed

paper. (Makes 9 puffs).

**CABBAGE**—Cut a cabbage in quarters and let stand in cold water until crisp. Shred and discard the hard core. Cook in a small amount of boiling salted water 20 min. Drain and season with salt and pepper.

**CREAMED CARROTS**—Remove tops, scrub carrots well, scrape—or, boil in skins and clip skins off after cooking. According to size, cut in halves or quarters lengthwise. Time to cook about  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour for medium carrots, old carrots longer. If cut in dices, 20 min. When tender, drain off water, add lump of butter and a cup of milk in which a tblsp. of flour has been dissolved. Bring to a boil and serve. Canned carrots may be used.

**CREAMED PEAS**—Make a cream sauce as follows: 1 tblsp. butter, 2 tblsp. flour,  $\frac{3}{4}$  tsp. salt,  $\frac{1}{16}$  tsp. pepper, 1 cup milk. Melt butter, add flour, salt and pepper and mix well. Add milk slowly and bring to boiling point, stirring constantly to avoid lumping. Place over hot water until ready to use. Add canned peas as required.

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# Bob Browne *The Pack's Holiday!*

By NORMAN MacMILLAN, Caledonia, Ont.



Bob Browne left for camp at Gull Lake on Saturday morning. He and the other members of the 1st Cedarhurst Pack travelled by truck loaned through the courtesy of Jerry Smith's father.

On their arrival they discovered that the tents had been pitched. Bob was disappointed. He had looked forward to pitching his own tent. "Don't worry", said Akela, "you'll have lots to do before camp is over."

Bob's tent was the first in the line of four tents. It was well sheltered from the wind and was only two hundred yards from the lake and attractive sand beach. His tent mates, besides Sixer Jamie McMaster, were Dave Simser, Walter Josling, George Flowers and Ronnie Edwards.

Akela blew his whistle and gathered the Cubs around him.

"The Blue Six will act as Duty Six today", he explained, "and from tomorrow on consult the bulletin board for the day's programme. This afternoon we will spend in making camp comfortable. There is a prize for the tidiest tent."

After dinner came a rest period followed by their first swim in the lake. Lloyd Parkin, the Assistant Cubmaster, took his station as life-guard.

"I'm going to learn to swim before camp is over," exclaimed Bob to Jack Stubbs as they raced for the water. "I'd like to be able to swim as well as Lloyd."

"Akela is having special classes for non-swimmers," Jack informed him, "I want to learn to dive."

Following their first swim, the Pack, with the exception of those on duty, went for an exploration hike. They ex-

plored every nook and cranny along a mile of shore. It was a group of tired but happy Cubs that returned to camp to nurse their appetites until the supper whistle blew.

Campfire that first night was brief.

"I want you to get all the shut-eye you can tonight," said Akela. "No talking after lights out. If every Cub plays the game, we'll get along dandy."

They rose, linked arms and sang taps.

"Day is done,

Gone the sun

From the lake, from the hill, from the sky,

All is well, safely rest, God is nigh."

Bob turned in to dream of happy camping days. Ten glorious days lay ahead and this was only the beginning. As he said his prayers, he thanked God for the happiness that being a Cub had brought him.

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## ENDURANCE TEST OR?

Here is a letter which deals with a most important subject—the First Class Journey. We suggest all Scoutmasters read this carefully.

Easter Monday, April 11, 1955  
Dear Editor:

The above heading results from a situation that we encountered today. It all started this afternoon when out driving with the Troop A.S.M., going over the route in preparation for the First Class Journey for two of the Scouts in our Troop.

We had gone over the roads which our two Scouts would follow, checking carefully the land features with the map they will be using, checking and double checking objects they will be required to estimate, noting map references and bearings, in general "cooking up", what looks to us, a pretty fair adventure for the two young stalwarts.

It was on the way home that we came across a half dozen young fellows, who on closer inspection turned out to be Scouts from a neighbouring district. Stopping the car by the side of the road we waited for the youngsters to come up to us. The conversation ran something like this:

"Hello, fellows, out for a hike?"

"Yes, sir, we're on a journey".

"Not doing your First Class Hike are you?"

"Yes, most of us are".

"Where are you heading?"

"We were told to camp about half a mile behind —"

"Do you know where that is?"

"Oh, it's up this road a piece, our Scouter said there's a sign pointing to —"

"Have you got your sealed instructions?"

"No, sir".

"Where's your map, then?"

"We haven't got one, our Scouter brought us by car to —, let us out and told us to keep walking until we came to the sign."

"How would you like a look at

this map, do you know where you are?"

"No, sir, but I hope it's more than half way, these shoulder straps are just killing me."

One of the other Scouts joined in, "My pack weighs a ton."

"Well, goodbye, chaps, and good luck."

"Goodbye, sir, and thanks."

As we started the car the A.S.M. turned to me and said:

"I bet I know what you're thinking."

I must confess my thoughts at the moment were ones of pity, pity for the boys whose Scouter had let them down so badly. I'm afraid I've not the slightest bit of sympathy for the Scouter. Certainly he may be too busy or have a hundred other reasons for this lack of preparation on his part but it is no excuse for a situation which might quite conceivably be the end of Scouting for six youngsters.

Let us examine, Mr. Editor, a few of the things where the Scouter

missed out. First of all, the boys' appearance. It was a disgrace to Scouting, they were neither in uniform or out. Granted there were a couple of Scout hats and most of the chaps wore neckerchiefs, however, any similarity between these lads and Scouts ended right there.

Then there were six boys together. The Rules we play by distinctly state "Go on foot, preferably with a companion", a companion, not five.

Ten to one the boys had never been briefed before going on their Journey or they would have learned to put a spare pair of clean socks, one over each shoulder, under the shirt, to ease the bite of the shoulder straps. They would have learned, too, how to pack their blankets in a horseshoe roll over their kits, rather than in a sausage-like form carried over the shoulder, as some of these lads were doing. They would have been warned also to take *enough* blankets for the time of year.



Make sure your Scouts know their maps before setting forth on a First Class Journey.—Photo by A. Stone.



They would have learned the importance of the feet and of footwear, to have no holes in the stockings and to have shoes in good repair. They would have learned to walk only for fifty minutes and then to rest for ten, with pack off and feet up higher than the head.

A few other tricks these lads would have picked up at such a briefing or during their training period leading up to the First Class Hike are: Leave the water bottle at home, drink water sparingly if at all. A small smooth pebble under the tongue may be used. Every pound you start out with appears to double in weight before the end of the journey, therefore if you think you can get along without an item leave it at home. Remember to include in your gear a small First Aid Outfit (it is always a good practice, too, to keep a couple of band-aids in the sweatband of your hat). Take along a pencil, a notebook and a good sharp pocket-knife. Remember to stop for the night about four o'clock in the afternoon, giving yourselves plenty of time to set up camp, have a good supper, clean up and bring your logs up to date, making sure that all projects that have been set are completed, then go to bed early and get a good night's rest. These

and other tips all go to make the First Class Journey an adventure, a challenge and an experience to be remembered in the many, we hope, will follow.

What I'm driving at, dear Editor, is that it's not fair to the boy, who by virtue of his completing such a journey, as our six friends did, is about to become a First Class Scout. Allowing for the fact that the lad has gone through the motions (and how!) of walking fourteen miles and camping out for the night, this does not necessarily mean that he's of First Class calibre. We have to remember that this is World Jamboree year and it will naturally follow that there will be a spate of fellows endeavouring to qualify for First Class Grade to be eligible for attendance at that great event. How will Canada's Scouts stack up if they're not first class in more than just name?

Should you publish this letter I hope it will have the effect of making our Scouters think and do a little preparatory work before permitting their boys to attempt their First Class Journey.

Yours sincerely,  
P. M. O. Evans,  
Scoutmaster,  
1st Wakefield Troop, P.Q.



These two fellows have their First Class Badge but realize that it is only the beginning of camping adventures. Do put this across to your First Class Scouts.

## Operation Manitou

OPERATION "Manitou" the Little Current, Ont., Boy Scouts' first emergency test, went into operation at 6.17 p.m. on Wednesday, January 26. By 6.31 p.m. 39 Scouts and two adult leaders were on duty at Scout Headquarters ready and willing to undertake any emergency duty which might be required.

Designed as an exercise in Patrol organization, operation Manitou was planned to determine how long it would take the Scouts of the local Troop to mobilize in the event of an emergency. It took exactly fourteen minutes to assemble the Troop from the time the Scoutmaster passed the code word to the Troop Leader until all the boys were present.

What was originally intended only to be an emergency test turned into a real emergency when Patrol Leader Donald Nelder became involved in a dog fight. At the height of the excitement two local dogs, who are sworn enemies arrived on the steps of Scout Headquarters at the same time. The inevitable fight resulted during which Don Nelder sustained bites on the hand. Medical treatment was rendered by Dr. J. A. Henry.

Despite his injuries, Don Nelder had the satisfaction of seeing his Patrol, the Eagles, take top honours in the exercise. The Eagles were first Patrol present winning themselves the largest share of the points awarded.

Several of the Patrol Leaders were loud in their praise of the local telephone service, and stated that their calls were handled with amazing speed. Because of the necessity of keeping the actual time of the exercise secret, the telephone operators had not been warned in advance. Nevertheless, the local switchboard came through with wonderful efficiency and contributed much to the success of the exercise.

The Troop would like to offer a word of thanks to the patient and long suffering parents. No records are available on how many suppers were interrupted and disorganized by having members of the family dashing out of their homes. It is safe to assume, however, that wild excitement and chaos reigned in many Little Current homes when Operation Manitou went into operation.



# HEADQUARTERS NOTICES

## WOLF CUB CYCLIST SAFETY BADGE

The Executive Committee of The Canadian General Council has approved the addition of a Wolf Cub Cyclist Safety Badge to become the fourth badge in the Physical Health section—those badges coloured blue. Requirements for this important badge were approved and they will be listed in the next issue of *The Scout Leader*. At the same time there will be an article designed to assist Cubmasters as they introduce this Proficiency Badge to their boys.

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## CONSERVATION THEME AND BADGES

The Executive Committee of the Canadian General Council has approved the adoption of the theme—CONSERVATION—for the year 1956. In

this connection they also approved the addition of four new Proficiency Badges dealing with Conservation subjects. These badges are illustrated below. Requirements and other information on the Badges and the 1956 theme of CONSERVATION will be published in the September-October issue of *The Scout Leader*.

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## 8th WORLD JAMBOREE

A summary of information and interesting items concerning the 8th World Jamboree will be contained in the next issue of *The Scout Leader*. If there are any particular questions you would like answered regarding this great adventure, address your question to, The Editor, *The Scout Leader*, 306 Metcalfe St., Ottawa, Ont.



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## Drop Anchor

By The 81st Toronto Sea Scout Troop

Here is the log of a thrilling adventure of a Sea Scout Troop and you can be sure these fellows have made a good start on a Troop tradition.

THE 81st Sea Scout Troop was a new unit, formed in October, 1952, but since its inception, all efforts were pointed towards the summer and their big project—a camp cruise on the Georgian Bay, that large “appendix” to Lake Huron. Approximately 80 miles long and 50 miles wide, with its thousands of islands and hundreds of inlets, with its partially uninhabited rocky and wooded shoreline, it is a real camping paradise. What else does a camper require but clear, cool water, breath-taking scenery, plenty of wood, perfect seclusion, wild life in abundance, possibilities of fishing? What else does a “seaman” require but a chance to navigate in open water, pilot among rocky islands, anchor in quiet waters, or face a good breeze? Yes, it is a Sea Scout’s ideal and the 81st intended to make the most of it.

And so, on the 27th of July, fifteen Scouts and their Scoutmaster went aboard the “Seafight” at the old town of Penetanguishene, one of the last outposts of the famous “Mission to the Hurons” several hundred years ago; the place where some of the earliest and most courageous explorers met their death, when starting to build the foundation of our country.

Fitting all the gear took some time, but at six bells all was ready and with a lot of cheering and waving to the parents on the dock the lines were loosened and the 40-foot “Seafight” was on its way.

Within half an hour the four-mile deep inlet at Penetang was left behind and a fresh northern breeze whipped up some spray and caused a bit of uneasiness among those Scouts who had not yet found their sea legs.

Was it the excitement of departure, or were there other reasons why some did not feel too well. . . ? However, shortly thereafter, following the chart very carefully, with a good lookout guiding the helmsman and checking on his course, the sheltered “inland channel” was entered. Cruising among the thirty thousand islands, good progress was made. The time seemed to pass quickly and the duty Patrol whipped up a light meal which was much appreciated. Each took a turn at the work of piloting and steering, and the forty miles to Parry Sound, at the end of a deep inlet, seemed to disappear easily. Half an hour before reaching the docks, all scrambled into their uniforms and a half-hour “shore leave” was granted, sufficient time to get fresh meat and milk on board and to fill the gas tanks for the next lap.

Shortly after leaving Parry Sound, everyone looked out for a good camping spot, and after several were rejected, a large sandy beach found unanimous approval. The anchor was put down and the tender made a number of trips with the Scouts and their small hike tents. In all frankness, it should be reported that the first evening it took rather a long time to set up camp, so long that the intended swim period was well past before everyone was ready for the night, and it was



Canadians everywhere followed with great interest Her Royal Highness Princess Margaret's recent tour of The West Indies. While reading the story of her Jamaica Tour, a Queen's Scout from the Lake St. Louise Scout Troop, Valois, P.Q., noticed something unusual about the picture reproduced above. Test your observation by looking closely at this picture, and then turn to page 236 to check your answer.



nearly dark by the time a large supper had been eaten and all dishes cleared away.

A bit of a drizzle chased everyone under cover, but the rest (?) was disturbed by an incessant horde of mosquitoes. It is, of course, possible that someone exaggerated slightly when he stated the next morning that he had been attacked by millions of mosquitoes all bigger than eagles, but to the harassed campers, it seemed to be a perfectly true statement. After this first night, the mosquitoes did not bother the Scouts anymore: by avoiding the use of lights in their tents after sunset, and by spraying the tent once before going to sleep, the "little pests of the woods" left us alone.

When, just before sunrise, the S.M. came around to waken the sleepers, a clear sky overhead promised a beautiful day. A quick dip for some completed the waking-up process and one hour after sunrise the "Seafight" was continuing its trip and soon Seguin Beacon was reached. The next eight hours were spent out of sight of land. The course was compiled, the necessary corrections for deviation and variation made, and the helmsman kept the compass needle on the course.

The Troop, to make the right corrections, uses the rhyme: Going from M to T, deduct if differences are westerly; add if it is an eastern variation, and, of course, reverse if you want to change a true course to a magnetic one). When the "sharp-eye" shouted "land in sight" in the afternoon, it was with some pride that straight ahead we saw the hills above Killarney, a good landfall.

More supplies, ordered ahead of time, were taken on in Killarney, a small fishing village inaccessible except by water, and the trip to Portage Cove—half an hour from the village—was completed. What a surprise it was when the 80-foot rocks seemed to break away and leave a narrow but deep inlet and a perfect anchorage. It was more difficult to find sufficient flat spots among the rocks for the tents, but with the experience gained the previous day, it didn't take too long, and a refreshing swim before supper was thoroughly enjoyed. A twenty-minute fishing period proved very profitable when a fifteen pound (well over fourteen pound) pike and a fair sized perch were caught. Some of the others climbed the rocks, and enjoyed this "mountaineering" exercise.

The next day, a short four-hour trip along a most interesting coastline

brought the Troop to McGregor Bay, a bay protected on three sides by the White Cloche mountains. The white is caused by quartz (which, as the Troop humorist stated, is used to make gallons and pints) formation. Carefully taking soundings, progress was slowed down somewhat, but a perfect camping spot was reached early in the afternoon, and busy traffic between the "Seafight" and base camp started. When all supplies were on shore and while tents were going up, a kitchen was built and soon the camp was ready. A confined swim area was cleared of stones, a little "slip" found for the rowboats and canoe. That night fifteen tired Scouts slept soundly on their bough mattresses.

The next eight days seemed to pass too quickly, with games (and some amphibian wide games), passing of tests and badges, fishing (with mixed results) and all the fun and sometimes difficulties of normal camp life. From time to time the canoe or small boat would go to the little settlement seven miles away to bring in fresh supplies.

And then came the busiest day of all camps: the day everything has to be packed away and camp is broken up, and the larger parcels were stowed away and the cruise was continued. Little Current, the main town on Manitoulin Island (which, not very modestly but quite truthfully, calls itself the largest fresh water island in the world), was the next port of call. A lot of yachts from the U.S.A. were in the harbour, and the Sea Scouts were invited on board several craft while there.

Again a good camping spot was found and the camping training of the last ten days seemed to have worked wonders, because half an hour later the anchor was dropped, the camp was ready. Supper, followed by a short campfire, ended the day.

The next day, following the shoreline of Manitoulin Island for the first few hours, then setting a compass course, the Troop reached Wingfield Basin, having completed three-quarters of its trip around Georgian Bay. A very kind lighthousekeeper invited all to see the lighthouse and foghorn. It was a surprise for the Scouts to learn that the lighthouse uses a naphtha lamp with a simple clocklike mechanism (and, of course, a very strong reflector), to throw its 14-mile visible light, but the foghorn installation requires two diesel motors, three large air tanks and accessories. The great number of questions must really have interrupted the solitude of the keeper.

A very early departure was planned for the next day, but a real gale (35 mile winds) started to blow and the departure was delayed twice. When the winds calmed down somewhat, it was decided to go only to Tobermory and return home overland from there, as the trip back to Penetang was not considered quite safe. The three hours that it took to go from Wingfield to Tobermory will not be easily forgotten by most. Being tossed around on the high waves is not to everyone's liking. The Troop humorist said: "If you see my stomach floating around behind us, tell it that I don't want it anymore!" and everyone was somewhat relieved when Tobermory harbour was reached. A final clean-up and scrub, and the trip was ended, but the memories of it, the recollections of some amusing incidents, the thoughts of some beauty spots, the friendships formed, the fact that the Scouts had to live on their own, and many more matters they will remember, all these things mean that while the trip was ended, it will not be forgotten. And so the 81st will start to plan for next year's trip—for new adventures and more fun.



Sea Scouts above are taking part in the rowing races held annually at the Montreal, Que., Sea Scout base—S.S.S. *Venture*. These fellows will be ready for a Troop camp and cruise through regular training.—Photo by A. Stone.



# RAINY DAY IDEAS

There are bound to be rainy days in camp and it is best to prepare for them well in advance. We are indebted to *Scouting*, the magazine of the Boy Scouts of America for the ideas given below.

## Indoor Games

1. **FLAPPER'S RACE**—Rubber band from inner tube is stretched around knees of persons who race to a finish line.

2. **POPCORN RACE**—2 people feed each other popcorn (or ice cream) with spoons. First team to finish wins. Try it blindfold.

3. **VOCAL JUMP**—Each contestant sounds his lowest and highest note. One with greatest range wins.

4. **THE HURRYCONE RACE**—Strong strings are stretched parallel across the room. On each is a paper cone. Each team member blows cone along string and back. Then second person takes over.

5. **BIG BLOW**—Rectangular table and ping pong ball. Contestants kneel on floor. Keep hands off table. Ball starts in centre. Each side tries to blow ball off opponents' edge of the table.

6. **FISHING**—Two bonbons wrapped in paper are tied to the centre of about six feet of string. At a signal one end of the string is placed in each contestant's mouth and he proceeds to work the string until he gets to centre. The first one getting to the candy wins both pieces. Contestants hold both hands behind back.

7. **ANIMAL TAG**—Boys form a circle. One stands in centre blindfolded. When he strikes a wand on floor the boys who are moving around stop. The one in the centre points wand at a boy who takes hold of other end and is told to imitate an animal call. If the blindfolded player guesses the boy's name, he changes place with that player.

8. **SCOOT**—Players form chairs in a circle leaving one vacant. One player is placed in centre. The

object of players in the circle is to keep moving so the centre man cannot sit down.

9. **UNITED STATES MAIL**—Form chairs in a circle. Give each player the name of a city. One player in centre is blindfolded. When postmaster calls out two or more names the players change places. When "General Post" is called, all change places. In each case the blindfolded player tries to get a seat.

## Individual Stunts

10. **KNEE BEND AND TOUCH**—Put the right foot behind the other knee and grasp with the left hand. Try and touch right knee to the ground without losing balance.

11. **ELBOW BALANCE**—From squat rest position (legs bent and weight on hands and toes—knees turned out), turn the elbows out slightly so that the inside of legs rests on the arms just above the elbow. With weight entirely on hands,

balance forward and pick up an object with the mouth.

12. **BEND BACK AND TOUCH**—Measure an arm's length on a broom. Hold this length of the broom against forehead extending over head. Now bend back and try to touch it to the ground without losing balance. Do a quick side roll if balance is lost.

13. **ONE LEG PUSH-UP**—In squat position bend one leg under you, resting on heel. Try and come up to a standing position while keeping opposite leg in a front horizontal position. Balance is more easily retained if arms are held in front. It's harder to go down than up.

14. **STAFF OR BROOMSTICK JUMP**—Hold staff loosely in hands. Without letting go, try and jump over and back. When feat becomes easy try to increase distance of forward jump.



Special equipment is needed for Special Pack Meetings during the Pack's Holiday. Here is a good rainy day idea as the boys can make the gear in preparation for sunny weather. These Cubs are at the Vancouver, B.C., Cub Campsite and are ready for a Treasure Hunt Dance.



15. **BARREL ROLLING**—Stand on a barrel and make it roll forward or backward with the feet. This can be done best in bare feet or tennis shoes. Be sure there are no dangerous nails.

16. **BARREL JUMP**—Saw a barrel in two, crossways. Try to jump into the half barrel and out again without touching the sides.

17. **FOOT THROW**—Place an object like a baseball between the heels. Try and throw the object over your head with a vigorous backward kick so you can catch it.

18. **CROSS LEG THROW**—Stand with one foot crossed in back of other. Place small rock, a chip on the back foot. Try and see how far you can throw it without kicking the supporting leg from under you.

19. **BALANCE PICK-UP**—Stand with back close to a wall. Bend forward and try to pick up an object without losing balance or raising heels.

20. **GET UP**—Lie flat on back. Fold

arms on chest. Get up without using elbows, hands or rolling sideways.

21. **JUMP OVER YOUR LEG**—Take 2 or 3 quick steps, place left foot against a tree or wall about 2 feet above ground and jump over it with the right leg, making a half left turn without taking the left leg from the side of the wall.

22. **STAFF BALANCE**—Try and balance staff on chin or forehead. A hat placed on the end of the staff makes the feat easier.

23. **TWIST UNDER**—Hold staff firmly with both hands. Set end of staff in hole or against wall so it will not slip. Now slowly swing body down under staff and back to starting position.

#### Dual Contests

24. **PULL HAND FROM NOSE**—Two players compete. Each places palm of his hand against his nose while his opponent tries to pull it away

with one hand grasped at the wrist. Do not move the feet.

25. **HANDSLAP**—Contestants place feet in heel-toe position with toes of front feet touching. Now use one hand and try to slap opponent's hand so he loses balance or moves his feet.

26. **WRESTLING MATCHES**—Hand wrestle, Indian wrestle, forearm wrestle, stork wrestle, stick twist, dog wrestle.

27. **BUBBLE GUM CONTEST**—See who can blow the largest bubble.

#### Quieter Things To Do

Try homemade skill games and contests, songs and stories. Imitations, pantomimes, charades and puppetry are good indoors fun. And on short notice lots of simple craft projects can be done with common around-the-house materials like paper, clay, soap, paper sacks, cartons, beads, feathers and leather.



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## Breaking The Dollar Barrier

As we go to press there comes the report that we have now received almost 1,000 sponsorships and by the time you receive your copy of *The Scout Leader* it is possible that even this figure will be topped. What wonderful support for a National Good Turn!

THERE are a great many wonderful stories about the way in which boys, leaders and supporters have raised funds for our National Good Turn of Breaking the Dollar Barrier. From the 1st Tavistock, Ont., Troop we hear of boys selling Hot Cross Buns as a means of raising the necessary funds for a sponsorship. The 1st Sutton, Que., Group, and many other Groups in Canada, turned out to wash cars, cut grass and do a multitude of other service jobs to raise the necessary \$50.00 sponsorship which they sent along. From Toronto we hear of 28 different Ladies' Auxiliaries who combined their activities to raise \$100.00 for two sponsorships. These are just three of the many wonderful stories we have heard, and it is most encouraging to hear of this wonderful response which has now provided over 900 sponsorships for boys coming to the 8th World Jamboree.

Saskatoon, Sask., Rotary Club, 1 Isle of Man Scout; Swift Current, Sask., Rotary Club, 2 Scouts; The Edmonton, Alta., Chapters, I.O.D.E., 2 Scottish, 1 English, 1 Jersey, 1 N. Ireland, 1 Welsh Scout; South Vancouver, B.C., Kiwanis Club, 1 Dutch Scout; Islington, Ont., Boy Scouts Association, 1 English Scout; 3rd Port Credit, Ont., Scout Group, 1 Belgian Scout; Perth District, Ont., Boy Scouts Association, 1 N. Ireland Scout; Mrs. L. Descheemaeker, Kapuskasing, Ont., 1 Belgian Scout; Collins, Ont., Boy Scouts Association, 1 S. Rhodesia Scout; Kiwanis Club, Sturgeon Falls, Ont., 1 Sierra Leone Scout; Maple Ridge, Boy Scouts Assoc., Ont., 1 Dominican Scout; 1st Fenwick, Ont., Cub and Scout Group, 1 English Scout; Wellington, Ont., District Boy Scouts Assoc., 18 Dutch Scouts; New Glasgow, N.S., Rotary Club, 1 Scottish Scout; The Rotary Club, Dundas, Ont., 1 Irish Scout; Kinsmen Club of Englehart, Ont., 1 Grenada Scout; Ladies' Auxiliary, Group 82, Toronto, Ont., 1 S. African Scout; St. Mary's, Ont., Junior Chamber of Commerce, 1 Danish Scout; St. Catharines, Ont., Ladies' Auxiliary, 1 St. Lucia Scout; Lions Club, Unity, Sask., 1 Sudan Scout; Rotary Club of Grand Prairie, Sask., 1 Malay States Scout; 1st Brampton, Ont., Scout

Troop, 1 Indian Scout; Kinsmen Club of Port Colborne, Ont., 1 St. Vincent Scout; 23rd Toronto, Ont., Group, 1 Japanese, 1 Welsh, 1 Belgian, 1 Dutch West Indian Scout; Valleyfield, Que., Rotary Club, 1 French Scout; Leonard Da Vinci Professional and Business Association, 2 Italian Scouts; Kemptville, Ont., Boy Scout Committee, 1 Japanese Scout; Gyro Club of Saint John, N.B., 1 B.W.I. Scout; Gyro Club of Kentville, N.S., 1 Scottish Scout; Ladies' Auxiliary, 10th Toronto Scout Group, 1 Belgian Scout; 37th Toronto, Ont., Cub Pack, 1 English Scout; McMasterville Group Committee, P.Q., 1 French Scout; New Westminster, B.C., District, 1 French Scout; Chilliwack Hope, B.C., District, 1 Irish Scout; 1st Windsor (Victoria) B.C., Pack, 1 Australian Scout; Kinsmen Club of Vancouver, B.C., 1 French Scout; J. H. Brown, c/o Bank of Toronto, Victoria, B.C., 1 Scottish Scout; T. W. S. Parsons, O.B.E., Victoria, B.C., 1 Australian Scout; Omineca District & Welland Rotary Club, Ont., 1 Irish Scout; 1 Emerald Group, Tungsten, Salmo, B.C., 1 Equador Scout; 3rd Vernon, B.C., Troop, 1 Australian Scout; Matsqui, Sumas, Abbotsford District, B.C., 2 South African Scouts; Mrs. M. Palmer, Vancouver, B.C., 1 Finnish Scout; The Optimists Club, Delhi, Ont., 1 French Scout; 93rd Cub Pack, A & B, Toronto, Ont., 2 Scottish Scouts; Fredericton, N.B., Branch, Canadian Legion, B.E.S.I., 1 Scottish Scout; Boy Scouts Association, Belleville, Ont., 1 Welsh, 1 Scottish, 1 N. Ireland, 1 English, 1 Jersey or Guernsey Scout; 1st The Pas Troop, Man., 1 English Scout; 2nd Knox, St. Catharines, Ont., Group Committee, 1 Scout; Canadian Legion of British Empire Service League, 2 French Scouts; 2nd Portage la Prairie, Man., Cub & Scout Group, 1 Scottish Scout; 1st Timagami Boy Scouts Group, Ont., 1 Irish Scout; The Empire Brass Foreman's Club, London, Ont., 1 Austrian Scout; 24th Ottawa, Ont., Scout & Cub Troop, 1 Danish Scout; Court of Honour, 85th Toronto, Ont., Group, 1 Norwegian Scout; Local Association, Belleville, Ont., 1 South African Scout; Local Association, Burlington, Ont., 2 South

African Scouts; 5th Ottawa, Ont., Troop, 1 Indian Scout; Mr. Alan Stone and Mr. Henry Zohar, 1 Austrian Scout; Toronto, Ont., Silvermount District, 5 French Scouts; 1st Gravenhurst, Ont., Boy Scouts Assoc., 2 Belgian Scouts; Rotary Club of St. Catharines, Ont., 2 Belgian Scouts; 135th Toronto, Ont., Troop, 1 Scottish Scout; Edmonton, Alta., Scottish Society, 1 Scottish Scout; 11th Edmonton, Alta., Scout Troop, 1 Scottish Scout; Mr. E. B. Ablett, Vancouver, B.C., 1 New Zealand Scout; 2nd Knox Group, St. Catharines, Ont., Boy Scouts Assoc., 1 Scottish Scout; Executive Board, Ladies' Auxiliaries, St. Catharines, Ont., 1 New Zealand Scout, 1 Scottish Scout; Lions Club, St. Catharines, Ont., 2 Dutch Scouts; Conroy Manufacturing Co., St. Catharines, Ont., 2 Norwegian, 2 Nassau Scouts; Ivor Jukes, Dale Carnegie Course, McKinnon Industries Ltd., 1 Scottish Scout; 1st Petrolia, Ont., Rover Crew, 1 Scout; 1st Asbestos, Que., Group, 1 Mexican, 1 Dutch Scout; British Oxygen of Canada Ltd., Toronto and 221st Scout Group Ladies' Auxiliary, Toronto, 1 English Scout; 38th London, Ont., Scout Troop, 1 Scottish Scout; Scout-Guide Ladies' Auxiliary, St. James' Church, London, Ont., 1 Scottish Scout; 11th London, Ont., Troop & Crew, 1 Scottish Scout; Connors Bros. Ltd., Black's Harbour, N.B., 2 Dominican Republic Scouts, 2 Haiti Scouts; 35th London, Ont., Cub Pack and Mrs. E. McNaughton, 1 English Scout; 198th Boy Scout Ladies' Auxiliary, Toronto, Ont., 2 British Guiana Scouts; The Carleton & York Regimental Assoc., Saint John Ltd., 1 English Scout; Mr. Louis T. White, Ottawa, 1 English Scout; Huntsville, Ont., Lions Club, 1 English Scout; 1st Sutton Owl, P.Q., Troop, 1 Nigerian Scout; 2nd Huntsville, Ont., Scout Group, 1 Scottish Scout; Huntsville, Ont., Rotary Club, 1 French Scout; 3rd Burlington, Ont., Group, 1 English Scout; Troop Leader Jack Eacott, Tillsonburg, Ont., 1 Belgian Scout; 229th Toronto, Ont., Ladies' Auxiliary, 1 Mexican Scout; Mr. R. E. Elliott, St. Johns, P.Q., 1 Scottish Scout; 179th Toronto, Ont., Ladies' Auxiliary, 1 Japanese Scout; 179th Group Commit-



tee and Scout Troop, Bedford, P.Q., 1 Cuban Scout; 1st Valley, N.S., Rover Crew, 1 Turkish Scout; Kiwanis Club, Owen Sound, Ont., 1 English Scout; 6th Welland, Ont., Group Committee, 2 Mexican Scouts; Toronto, Ont., Rotary Club, 5 English, 5 Scottish, 5 German, 5 French, 5 Italian Scouts; 23rd St. Catharines, Ont., Ladies' Auxiliary, 1 Scottish Scout; Woodstock Kiwanis Club, 1 Luxembourg Scout; 4th Islington, Ont., Group Committee, 1 Italian Scout; 16th Ladies' Auxiliary, Hamilton, Ont., 1 Scottish Scout; 1st Hornepayne, Ont., Scout Troop, 1 Italian Scout; 3rd Sherbrooke, P.Q., Mothers' Auxiliary, 1 Scottish Scout; Mr. C. C. Middlebro', Owen Sound, Ont., 1 Scottish Scout; 2nd Alderwood Scout Group Committee, Toronto, Ont., 1 Bolivian Scout; 22nd London, Ont., Troop, 1 Bolivian Scout; 21st Hamilton, Ont., Group, 1 German Scout; Mr. R. D. F. Bourne, Hamilton, Ont., 1 Italian Scout; Rover Scouts of South Central Ontario, 2 French Scouts; 3rd Port Credit, Ont., Cub & Scout Auxiliary, 1 Mexican Scout; The Bath Millhaven Collins Bay Kiwanis Club, 1 Cuban Scout; Port Colborne, Ont., Recreation Committee, 1 Welsh Scout; 5th Galt, Ont., Scout Troop, 1 Scottish Scout; Boy Scouts Association, Laurentian District Council, 1 English Scout; Lakeshore, Toronto, Ont., District Executive Board, 5 Italian Scouts; 77th Toronto, Ont., Troop, 2 Finnish Scouts; Prescott, Ont., Rotary Club, 1 Belgian Scout; St. Lawrence District Scouts, 2 Mexican Scouts; Esteven Rotary Club, Sask., 1 Dutch Scout; Saskatoon, Sask., Rotary Club, 2 Welsh Scouts; 57th Ottawa, Ont., Group Committee, 1 English Scout; Edmonton, Alta., Chapter, I.O.D.E., 1 Israel Scout; Rotary Club, Truro, N.S., 1 Scottish Scout; Kiwanis Club, Truro, N.S., 1 Scottish Scout; Kinsmen's Club, Truro, N.S., 1 English Scout; Messrs. Harry and Max Ross, Bernie Sidler, and Moe Slone, Truro, N.S., 1 Israel Scout; North Waterloo, Ont., District, 2 French Scouts; 1st Kitchener, Ont., Group, 1 English Scout; Friends of Scouting, 1 Scottish Scout; Twenty-Eight Group Ladies' Auxiliaries, Toronto, Ont., 2 English Scouts; 33rd Toronto, Ont., Ladies' Auxiliary, 1 English Scout; 1st Tavistock, Ont., Troop, 1 English Scout; 1st View Royal (Victoria) Group, B.C., 1 Scottish Scout; 1st St. John (Victoria) Group, B.C., 1 Scottish Scout; 1st Port Alice Group, B.C., 1 Scottish Scout; 3rd Nanaimo Group, B.C., 1 Scottish Scout; 17th Vancouver, B.C., Group, 1 Fiji Island Scout; 3rd Whitehorse, B.C., Group, 2 Cuban

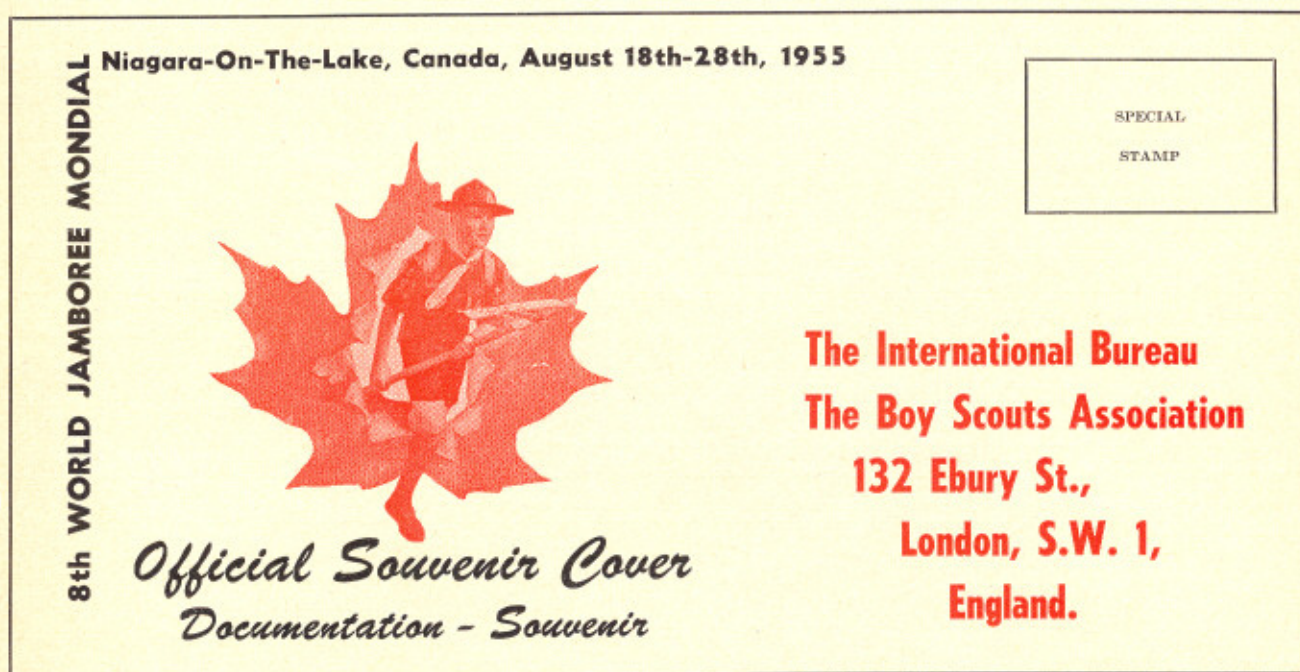
Scouts; Greater Vancouver, B.C., District, 2 Jamaican Scouts; Duncan-Chemainus, B.C., District, 1 Scottish, 3 English Scouts; South Burnaby, B.C., District, 1 Welsh Scout; North Burnaby, B.C., District, 3 Jamaican Scouts; Kiwanis Club of North Burnaby, B.C., 1 Jamaican Scout; Dr. H. T. James, Vancouver, B.C., 1 French Scout; East Howe Sound, B.C., District, 1 Welsh Scout; Crownsnest, B.C., District, 1 Welsh Scout; McKinnon Industries Ltd., St. Catharines, Ont., 2 French Scouts; 15th Toronto, Ont., Group, 1 English Scout; Mr. E. A. Adams, Delhi, Ont., 1 Israel Scout; Kinsmen's Club, Delhi, Ont., 1 Israel Scout; Lions Club, Burlington, Ont., 1 Cuban Scout; Optimist Club, Burlington, Ont., 1 Cuban Scout; 5th Cobourg Lions, Ont., Ladies' Auxiliary, 2 French Scouts; Kinsmen's Club, Cobourg, Ont., 1 French Scout; Lions Club, Cobourg, Ont., 2 French Scouts; 5th Paris, Ont., Cubs and Scouts, 1 French Scout; 1st Dundas, Ont., Troop, 2 Nicaragua Scouts; Norwich United Church Men's Club, Ont., 1 Greek Scout; 109th Group Committee, Toronto, Ont., 2 Dutch Scouts; Orillia, Ont., Local Association, 2 English and 4 other Scouts; 4th Mimico, Ont., Group Committee and Ladies' Auxiliary, 1 German Scout; 1st Tatamagouche, N.S., Group, 1 Scottish Scout; 5th Brantford, Ont., Rover Crew, 1 English Scout; 7th Brantford, Ont., Scout Group, 1 English Scout; Windsor Mills, P.Q., Group Committee, 2 Scottish Scouts; 7th Niagara Falls, Ont., Group, 1 Italian Scout; Holy Name Society of St. Ann's, Niagara Falls, Ont., 1 Italian Scout; Lions Club, Niagara Falls, Ont., 4 Scottish Scouts; St. Andrew's United Church Women's Association, Niagara Falls, Ont., 2 Welsh Scouts; Stamford Volunteer Firemen's Ass'n., Niagara Falls, Ont., 1 Channel Islands Scout; 6th Niagara Falls, Ont., Group, 1 Dutch Scout; 15th Ottawa, Ont., Group, 3 French Scouts; Deep River, Ont., Group, 1 French Scout; Lakeshore District Executive Board, Toronto, Ont., 1 Italian Scout; 1st Trenton, Ont., Ladies' Auxiliary, 1 Dutch Scout; Mr. Bernard J. Mahler, Galt, Ont., 1 French Scout; 19th London, Ont., Troop, 1 Mexican Scout; Kerrobert Chapter I.O.D.E., Regina, Sask., 1 Scottish Scout; 20th Regina, Sask., Group Committee and Ladies' Auxiliary, 1 Scottish Scout; Kiwanis Club of Thorold, Ont., 1 Greek and 1 other Scout; Gyro Club, Lethbridge, Alta., 1 Italian Scout; 25th Windsor, Ont., Group, 1 German Scout; Local Association, Woodstock, Ont., 1 German Scout; Dartmouth District,

N.S., 1 English Scout; Kiwanis Club, Dartmouth, N.S., 1 English Scout; Leaside Lions Club, Ont., 1 N. Ireland, 1 Welsh Scout; 35th-37th Ladies' Auxiliary, Toronto, Ont., 1 Scottish Scout; 7th Galt, Ont., Pack, 1 Scout; Boy Scouts Association, St. Eustache sur le lac, Que., 1 Scout; Boy Scouts Association, Ingersoll, Ont., 2 Scouts; Mr. Ed. A. Pickles, 1 Scout; 1st Centralia, Ont., R.C.A.F. Group, 1 Scout; 3rd Galt, Ont., Troop, 1 Scout; 1st Huntsville, Ont., Scout Group, 1 Scout; 1st Humber Summit, Ont., Troop, 1 Scout; Ingersoll, Ont., Kiwanis Club, 1 Scout; Ingersoll, Ont., Lions Club, 1 Scout; Moose Jaw, Sask., Rotary Club, 1 Scout; 1st Wolseley Boy Scout Group, Sask., 1 Scout; Goodman Company, Truro, N.S., 1 Scout; 11th Kitchener, Ont., Group, 1 Scout; Kiwanis Club of Kerrisdale, B.C., 1 Scout; 1st Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont., Barnard Rover Crew, 1 Scout; Ladies' Auxiliary, Cochrane, Ont., 1 Scottish Scout; 213th Toronto, Ont., Scout Group, 1 Scottish Scout; No. 14 Group Committee, St. Paul's Lutheran, Niagara Falls, Ont., 1 German Scout; Rotary Club of Sherbrooke, Que., 1 North Ireland Scout; 73rd Group Committee, Church of the Nativity, Toronto, Ont., 1 Welsh Scout; 26th St. Matthew's Sea Scout Troop, Ottawa, Ont., 1 Australian Scout; the Campbellford, Ont., Rotary Club, 1 Scottish Scout; the Welland, Ont., Rotary Club, 1 Danish Scout; Kiwanis Club of Wascana, Regina, Sask., 1 Irish Scout; 12th Calgary, Alta., Troop, 1 Scout; 1st Cottam Group, Essex Dist., Ont., 1 Italian Scout; Fort William District, Ont., 2 Italian Scouts; Fort William Rotary Club, Ont., 3 English Scouts; 1st Leamington Group Committee, Ont., 2 French Scouts; 1st Essex Group Committee, Ont., 1 French Scout; 1st Wheatley Group Committee, Ont., 1 French Scout; 1st Leamington Ladies' Auxiliary, Ont., 1 French Scout; Essex District Council, Ont., 2 French Scouts; Friends in Essex Dist., Ont., 1 French Scout; Collingwood, Ont., Progress Club, 1 English Scout; Beaver Lodge No. 258, Brotherhood Railway Carmen of America, 3 Welsh Scouts; Collingwood, Ont., Kiwanis Club, 1 German Scout; Collingwood, Ont., Local Association, 1 German and 1 English Scout; 16th Hamilton, Ont., Group Committee, 2 Scottish Scouts; Trenton, Ont., Local Assoc., 1 Netherlands, 1 West Indian Scout; Rotary Club, Trenton, Ont., 1 Netherlands, 1 West Indian Scout; Kiwanis Club, Trenton, Ont., 1 Netherlands, 1 West Indian Scout; 3rd Trenton, Ont., Group, 1 Netherlands, 1 West Indian



## 8th World Jamboree Official Souvenir Cover

Here is a souvenir every member of the Association will want to have whether they attend the Jamboree of New Horizons or help others to attend this great adventure.



- Above is a reproduction of the Official Souvenir Cover or envelope designed by the artist who designed the Special Stamp being issued by the Post Office Department to commemorate the 8th World Jamboree. This envelope is white and is printed in green and black.
- Copies of the Official Souvenir Cover are obtainable from Canadian Headquarters at a cost of 5c each. Orders will be accepted here until August 1st, 1955 and after that from the Jamboree Campsite at Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont.
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# SCOUTING Digest

## Good Turn

The 11th Edmonton Wolf Cub Pack, under the leadership of Cubmaster Harry Pardee, has recently sent ten new uniforms to the Wolf Cub Pack at Tuktoyuktuk in the North-West Territories, as a gesture of goodwill.

## St. George's Day Moot

St. George's Day, 1955, found Rover Scouts in New Brunswick attending the St. George's Day Moot. Centres represented at this gathering were: Moncton, Norton, Minto, Saint John, Woodstock and Bloomfield. With Assistant Provincial Commissioner Dr. S. A. Hopper as Chairman, the 65 Rovers attending this gathering discussed the forthcoming Canadian Rover Moot in 1956; Rover Rambles; Service at the 8th World Jamboree; Training Courses and Publications for Rover Scout Leaders; a Rover Scout Flag and, finally, the Rover Scout Uniform.

As New Brunswick Rover Scouts are to be the hosts for the Second Canadian Rover Moot in 1956, a great deal of discussion centered around this important event and plans are now well under way for the Moot.

## Special Troop Meeting

In an interesting report recently received from the 16th St. Catharines (Ont.) Troop there is an account of the Investiture of five First Class Scouts. As part of this special meeting, Mr. William Overholt, a member of the sponsoring Optimists' Club, and the Club's representative to the Group Committee, presented the five new First Class Scouts with woodcraft sheath knives.

## Tree Planting Project

Citizens of Port Hope, Ont., interested in having trees planted on their property bordering the street are being assisted by the Town Council and a service group of Rover Scouts, Rangers, Scouts and Guides who have already planted some 80 trees.

## Indian Scout Troop

From Perth, New Brunswick, we hear of the recently formed 1st Mahseet Troop. District Commissioner Raymond Gamblin of Perth, who assisted with the organization, reports that this is the only known Indian Boy Scout Troop in New Brunswick. We feel sure that all readers of *The Scout Leader* will join in wishing the 1st Mahseet and its Indian Scouts every success in the years to come.

## Ice Stampede

More than 450 Scouts and Cubs of the Prince Albert (Saskatchewan) District, staged a rip-roarin' Ice Stampede on March 18th. The programme included Chuckwagon Races, Chariot Races, Obstacle Races, a "Wild Cow Milking Contest" and Square Dancing. Boys from Prince Albert, Melfort, Nipawin, Choiceland, Lac Laronge, Luseland, Wakaw and Big River provided their audience with many thrills during their Second Annual Ice Stampede. Mayor D. C. Stewart, in opening the show, congratulated the boys on their wonderful enthusiasm, particularly those who had come from some distance to take part in the Stampede.

If you are looking for a live-wire display, wherein boys and their audience will have a wonderful time, we would suggest asking the Prince Albert (Saskatchewan) District for more information on this thrilling annual feature in their programme.

## Extract from a Report on a Preliminary Course Conducted in the Foothills District of Alberta

"In case Training is wondering about the small number attending this Course, I would like to point out the fact that the Foothills District covers just over two thousand square miles of rural country, complete with roads. The morning of the course registered a temperature of thirty below zero, and one Leader spent two hours shovelling snow to get through. He suffered severely

chilled feet, but he took the course. It is difficult indeed to estimate at any time the number of people from the district who can be in one place at any designated time. This accounts in part for the small attendance, but assures that those who do show up are usually the very best."

## Boy Scouts to Maintain Shore-Front Footpath

Powell River, B.C., District Boy Scouts have taken up a suggestion put forward in *The News* two weeks ago and will start immediate repairs and maintenance on the waterfront footpath between Westview and Powell River. Announcement that the Scouts would roll up their sleeves and get on with the job was made earlier this week with the job was made by District Commissioner Jack Embree.

The pathway, on PRCo property, has been a popular rendezvous for Papertowners for years, ever since the old rail lines from Powell Lake to Michigan Landing were taken up.

Well-maintained until recently, the path now has several gullies in it and requires some draining.

Two weeks ago, in an editorial, *The News* made the suggestion that the Boy Scouts, now undertaking their annual appeal for funds might like to renovate the footpath.

Mr. Embree also announced that a church parade would be held in St. John's United Church next Sunday morning to mark the birthday of Lord Baden-Powell, founder of the worldwide youth movement.

—From *The News*, Powell River B.C.

## Scouts Fight Bush-Fire

Thirty-two Junior Leaders, attending the Silver Arrowhead course at Camp Wetaskiwin recently, were sent out in Patrols to investigate mysterious columns of smoke in the vicinity. They discovered a rapidly spreading grass- and bush-fire on the farm of Mr. L. Bergstrom and at once went into action, forming a bucket brigade up



the steep hill. After strenuous efforts they managed to bring the raging fire under control which had set various logs ablaze and was fanned by high winds. Exhausted but glad to have rendered public service in this unexpected emergency good-turn, they returned to camp.

Highlight of the course was the pioneering project, when the Scouts built an aerial runway, complete with rope ladder, across the river and also a rope bridge. The training which covered most phases of first class work, consisted of rugged patrol camping, with the boys setting up their own sites, latrines, washstands, grease pits, fireplaces and gadgets. The staff ate with the boys who did their own cooking. A game of "Atom Spies" and a campfire program were special features of the course. Boys from Niagara Falls, Stamford, Queenston, St. Catharines, Thorold, Louth, Merriton and Port Dalhousie participated.

### Scout Brotherhood Fund

Balance	\$1,502.14
The North Burnaby, B.C.	
District	14.90
Castlegar, Robson and	
Kinnaird, B.C. Groups	12.50
3rd West Hill, Ont.	
'A' Pack	1.25
J. Cruden, Secretary, 2nd	
Class Blue Springs	
Course	3.75

Total as at May 5, 1955. \$1,534.54

### Rescue Showed Scouting Value

RECENTLY you published an editorial pertaining to Scout Work in Canada and the fact that the organization is appealing to all Canadians for financial support. I thought your readers would be interested in a practical demonstration of Scouting.

On Sunday afternoon, January 31, my daughter, age 11, was tobogganing with friends on the hills of the Don Valley at the top of Woodbine Heights in East York. In the middle of the afternoon we received a telephone call that she had been injured when her toboggan crashed into a steel fence post and that her legs appeared to be broken.

I telephoned the doctor and my wife and I started out for the valley. We had only gone a short distance when we were met by five boys pulling the injured child down the street on a large toboggan. One of the boys suggested that, rather than await an

ambulance to take her to the hospital, a neighbour's station wagon would serve the purpose and avoid further delay. With the assistance of neighbours and the boys the toboggan bearing my daughter was lifted into the station wagon. We covered her with blankets and two of the boys rode with us to the hospital to help steady the toboggan.

We found it very difficult to understand how a group of boys had been able to place the injured child on the toboggan and bring her up the steep ice and snow covered hills so quickly. The doctors commented on the efficient manner in which our daughter had been moved and the comparatively short time it took to get her to the hospital. Upon making enquiries the following morning, we discovered that the boys were members of the 83rd Rover Crew, Toronto, "Coureurs de Bois." They had been in the valley with their Assistant Leader, and when the accident occurred took charge of the situation. When we contacted the

Crew's Assistant Leader he stated that the boys had a very difficult task getting the child up the ice and snow covered hill. The accident occurred several hundred feet from the top of the hill and part of the ascent with the toboggan was made on hands and knees.

Without the trained help of these boys and their Leader, my daughter, whose legs were both broken, might have been even more seriously injured. Their promptness in getting her out of the valley minimized the shock, which if she had been left lying in the snow for a long period of time, might have been much worse.

We deeply appreciate the service rendered for us by this Rover Crew and think the incident very well illustrates the excellent training and helpful spirit of the Boy Scouts.

Eric V. Blake,  
Toronto.

From *Globe & Mail*,  
February 11th, 1954.

### An Important Training Notice — Part I Wood Badge Studies

Due to the many additional commitments in conjunction with the Eighth World Jamboree with which the Training Department at Canadian Headquarters has to contend, Scouters are advised that

Part I Wood Badge Studies will not be read during the period July 15th to September 6th, 1955. Scouters are requested not to submit studies during this period.



These three Oak Bay, B.C. Scouts found a new use for detergents as they attempted to save the life of one of the 5,000 birds dying from starvation along the Greater Victoria, B.C., beaches. Oil soaked, the ducks were given baths and fed in this novel Good Turn. Despite the many efforts only a few of the birds were saved.



## Answer to Observation Quiz on Page 227

His Excellency, The Governor,  
Jamaica, B.W.I.

Sir:

It is a hobby of mine to spot people in distress by the way they fly their flags. Today, on the front page of the newspaper, I saw a picture of Princess Margaret floating down the Rio Grande on a bamboo raft, flying the Union Jack upside down. Was this intentional?

Yours respectfully,  
(signed) John Dunn,  
Queen's Scout,  
Lake St. Louis Troop.

King's House,  
Jamaica.

Dear Queen's Scout:

Thank you very much for pointing out that the flag on the raft was upside down.

No, I don't think it was done intentionally. The flag was put up by the people of the little village who make the rafts on the Rio Grande and I think that they probably don't know the right way up for the flag.

It is good to know that people as far away as Canada have taken such a keen interest in the Princess' tour.

With all good wishes.

Yours sincerely,  
(signed) Hugh Foot,  
Governor of Jamaica

Mr. John Dunn.

# A Novel Charter Presentation

"TERROR . . . Aaaateenshon!" The command, together with the sound of eight pairs of clicking heels, reverberated around the Kelowna Scout Hall coincident with the unfurling of the Union Jack.

Scoutmaster James Kitaura stood proudly in front of the group as a history-making ceremony was about to begin.

Television cameras whirled; press photographers fired photo-bulb flashes; Dennis Reid, president of the Central Okanagan Scouting Association, picked up a piece of parchment and approached the Scoutmaster. The crowd of proud parents and brother Scouts grew tense.

Was this not history in the making? Certainly in so far as the annals of Scouting history were concerned. Nowhere else in the Dominion had a Scouting charter been made to a Buddhist Troop.

Mr. Reid began to speak. "This charter, the charter of the Fifth Kelowna Scout Group, gives authority to the Buddhist Church to carry out the work of the Boy Scouts Association in Canada."

Not a solitary sound could be heard in the hall.

"We are proud in making this presentation to know that it is the first time in the history of Canada that a charter has been granted to a group under the sponsorship of the Buddhist Church. We welcome you into the world-wide brotherhood of Scouting.

. . . Congratulations and Good Scouting to the Fifth Kelowna Group."

And so, once again, out of small beginnings, grew big things. Just a year ago Scoutmaster Kitaura (who was at that time in the First Rutland Troop) and District Scout Leader, Des Oswell, gave birth to the idea of forming a Buddhist Troop of Scouts. It particularly appealed to Kitaura because many of the lads in Sunday School were of an age to join the Scouts but didn't feel that they wanted to split up into other Troops because of the unity they enjoyed through their religion.

"Last September", said Kitaura, "Des, myself and the boys met with the church elders. There the seed was sown—and now it has borne fruit. We hope many other churches will follow our example."

Scoutmaster Kitaura made it quite clear that there is absolutely no difference between the Buddhist form of Scouting and that of any other Troop.

"We are all Canadians," he said, "and very proud of it. The only minor diversion from known standards is the granting of permission by the Scout International Headquarters to use our own form of Scout Promise".

Recognized form states that the Scout promises to do his best to do his duty to God and the Queen. Buddhist Scouts are permitted to substitute "my religion" for "God".

In a short time the Kelowna Buddhist Church hopes to see further fruits grow from their efforts—the formation of a Wolf Cub Pack.

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Scoutmaster Kitaura and Scouts of the 5th Kelowna Troop examine their charter with President Dennis Reid of the Central Okanagan District.