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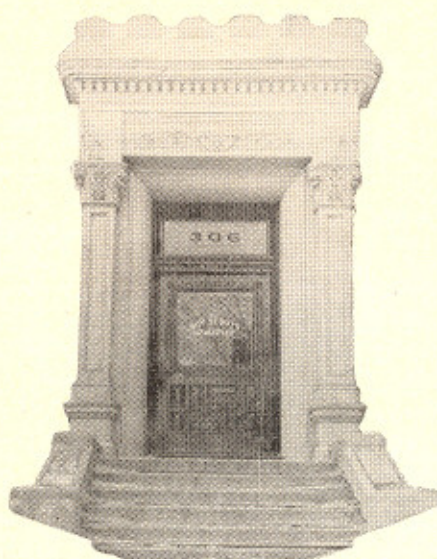
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Dear Jack:

I am glad you enjoyed reading my impressions of the Jamboree. I am afraid they were rather hurriedly put together but I did want to get them away to you before Mrs. Finlay and I left on our tour of the Maritime Provinces. We are now enjoying the wonderful hospitality and friendship of the grand Scouting people in the East and I must say that it is a great pleasure to again smell the sea breezes. As you know, before coming to Canada much of my time was spent on the sea coast in various parts of the world and the sea has for me a particular fascination.

So Bobby has now joined the Wolf Cub Pack. Recalling the eager anticipation he has shown awaiting the day when he would be eligible to join, I am sure he will soon be invested and on his way to his First Star. Please tell him that I shall watch his progress with the greatest interest and I wish him Good Hunting in his years in Cubbing.

While I do not know how she does it with the domestic responsibilities of a young family, I was also glad to learn from your last letter that Betty had lost no time in becoming an active member of your Ladies' Auxiliary. Scouting is essentially a family matter, and

now that there are three members of your family in the Movement this will be more than ever apparent to you. Through attendance at the Auxiliary Betty will learn a great deal about the Scout programme and what it is attempting to do for her boy and she will be made aware of the part which Mothers can play in helping their boys through their Scouting lives. Certainly, if we in Scouting are to do the job we have set out to do we must have the active cooperation and assistance of the parents. How often do we find boys dropping out of the Movement because the parents were indifferent to their son's progress in his Scouting activities? It is up to us as parents to share our children's enthusiasm for Scouting and by words of encouragement and by active help with their tests show them that we are partners with them in their great adventure. Bobby, of course, is fortunate in having parents who are thoroughly imbued with the Scout Spirit and with the ideals of Scouting. For the sake of the many boys whose parents are unaware of that Spirit and those ideals we, who are within the Movement, must do all we can to pass on to them the same enthusiasm which we ourselves feel for the great game of Scouting.

I feel that too much importance can not be placed on the value of active and enthusiastic group Committees and Ladies' Auxiliaries working to bring the parents of all the boys in their groups into the Scouting family. Indeed I would go so far as to say that without these no group can achieve the aims for which Scouting strives.

Best wishes,  
Yours sincerely,

Chief Executive Commissioner



## GUEST EDITORIAL

By L. L. JOHNSON

Public Relations Department, Canadian Headquarters



"He who whispers down the well  
About the goods he has to sell,  
Will never reap the golden dollars,  
Like him who shows them round and hollers."

Today, as never before, more people, especially Canadians, are aware of Scouting because of the tremendous volume of publicity from the 8th World Jamboree held at Niagara-on-the-Lake this past August. That's good, but, unless we follow it up, its value will soon fade.

Many who read the verse at the head of this article will say, 'So what, we're not salesmen,' but we ask all such to think again. Actually we are salesmen for Scouting. People judge the Scout Movement by what they see of us and the boys under our leadership.

Realizing this, let each of us determine now to play a part in letting the people of our community know what Scouting is and is doing. Words are not enough! It calls for organized effort when we remember that what is everybody's business is nobody's business.

It starts with the unit. People are interested in the unit in which their boys, or the boys of their community, are enjoying the game of Scouting. Let's make very sure that those who sponsor our Groups are kept informed of the progress of the Cubs, Scouts, and Rovers under their sponsorship.

On the District level, too, it is essential that all the people in the community are kept informed of all the interesting activities of all the Groups making up the district. To this end it pays to have one person responsible for keeping the local press, radio and TV people informed of what Local Scouting is and is doing.

Lord Rowallan, Chief Scout of the Commonwealth, has always stressed the desirability of more people doing less, better. His advice is particularly applicable to Scouting public relations. When you have one person responsible for making Scouting known, and nothing else, you get the job done, and well done.

Let's stop whispering down the well about Scouting. We've got a good story to tell about Scouting — let's "show it around and holler about it".







Dear Sir:

During the past summer I had the pleasure of holding a Scout Camp. During the last day of the week-long Camp I fell upon what I feel is an ideal way to end a Scout Camp. Some Scouters may not agree but I hope they will write to the *Leader* and pass on their feelings.

I will call the venture unique because, as far as I know, it has not been done before at a Scout Camp.

This unique experience I am writing about is a Closing Banquet. I know that closing banquets have been held for practically every type of meeting but this one, I feel, was slightly different. Permit me to explain.

On the morning of the final day at camp the big job of breaking up camp kept everyone occupied. About ten-thirty, as I was inspecting some of the sites, I told one Patrol not to put their cooking utensils away as they would need to do a little more cooking before going home. A bright twelve-year-old Scout, winding up his first camp, turned to me and said, "Chief, why don't the Leaders cook our last meal?" The thought struck me that it might not be such a bad idea after all. We were scheduled to leave camp about 5.30 that afternoon. I walked back to our Headquarters and called a staff conference. I told my Leaders that I felt we should all pitch in and make a Banquet for the boys which met with unanimous approval, and immediately plans were made.

This is what happened. Instead of the regular noon meal we simply had a light lunch and told the boys they would be guests of the Leaders at a Banquet at 4.00. Dress, of course, was full uniform.

The Leaders, under the Quartermaster, immediately started work. They decided a salad should be the menu. They peeled potatoes, mixed up all kinds of goulash and made a whopper of a salad for 40 Scouts. In the meantime, wanting to get out of the kitchen, I kept on with the cleaning up job with the boys.

Tables were set in the Headquarters lines and each boy placed his eating utensils on the table. They were then shooed away to finish their camp breaking up. At 4.00 p.m., everything had been cleaned up, all the

equipment packed and by the roadside in Patrols.

Of course, after everyone had just as much salad as they could eat, and were filled to the brim, a few speeches and songs were in order. The guest of honour thanked everyone. Each Leader spoke for a few minutes to the boys and I gave my final talk. Then the Troop Leader went outside to the flag pole and as he lowered the flag everyone joined in singing God Save The Queen. It was the most appropriate finish to a camp that I have ever attended. A few minutes later, with their dishes washed and packed away, the transportation arrived and they were on their way home. If, at any time during that camp, some of the first year boys had felt they didn't have too much of Mom's cooked food, or left out of anything, I am sure they forgot the feeling in the atmosphere of friendship which prevailed at the Closing Banquet. The previous night we had our closing Council Fire and I feel that the Closing Banquet, a special effort by the leaders from the suggestion of a twelve-year-old Scout, really put the finishing touches to the camp.

Yes, we the Staff, cleaned up the pieces after the banquet and put the tables away and swept and scrubbed, but we were all so happy about the efforts that we sang through the ordeal.

I hope some of the Leaders throughout Canada will like to comment either through *The Scout Leader* or with me, personally, on this matter and tell me what they think.

Let's hear from you across Canada.

Good Hunting,  
Ray Chaisson,  
Radio Station CFNB,  
Fredericton, N.B.

#### COVER PICTURE

It is our duty to pay tribute to the men and women who fought and gave their lives that we may live as we wish. Plan now to have Scouting in your locality, smartly uniformed, join with this Halifax, N.S., Scout for November 11th remembrance services.

## Troop Programme Suggestions Indoors — Games

### ACTIVE:

1. Triangular Tug.—Representatives of three teams hold an endless rope at equal spaces and "take the strain". A hat is put about three feet out of the reach of each. First to pick up hat without letting go wins.

2. Carthorse Relay.—Teams in file; each player in turn goes to a fixed point and back, walking on their hands and feet with backs towards the ground. First team to finish wins.

### INSTRUCTIONAL:

1. Man Overboard.—Two coils of rope lie on one side of a line, and one player takes one end of one of the ropes and walks away from the line. One of the others must join the two ropes together before the one the "man overboard" holds is pulled over the line. Pace of walking can only be found by trial.

2. Progression.—Players in a straight line, leader mentions a letter and pauses a moment, then says "go"; each player at once signals that letter. Any player hesitating or sending the wrong letter steps one pace forward, and so on. Player nearest the starting line at the end, wins.

### Patrol Work

Report Writing.—Give each member of the Patrol a message and get him to pick out the main points.

### Competition

Give each Patrol or boy similar maps, and see who can find a given series of places first.

### Troop Instruction

Lecture on Panic, using S for B Camp Fire Yarn No. 24.

### Outdoors

The Patrols are bands of explorers, and are given maps showing the routes they have to follow, a different one for each Patrol. They are supposed to be living quite near an unexplored territory. When they get to the finishing place and have arrived at the "Great Unknown", they have to explore and make maps of what they can see.

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## The International Bureau Stamp Scheme

By PERCY A. SIEBOLD

Ass't. Secretary, Liaison,  
The International Bureau

As one means of adding to its limited funds, and thus enabling various outstanding projects to be put in hand, the Boy Scouts International Bureau started, in June, 1954, a scheme to collect and sell used postage stamps. As a start the Director, Major General Dan Spry, former Chief Executive Commissioner of the Canadian Boy Scouts Association, circulated every one of the 57 Associations registered with the Bureau, asking for their assistance. Practically every one is co-operating, and none more so than the Canadians, from whom we have received to date almost 100,000 stamps.

A further letter was sent to prominent business firms throughout the world, and the response to this has been most encouraging. Many concerns have appointed a member of their staffs to be responsible for the collection of all stamps from incoming mail, and periodically packaging and sending them to the Bureau. A special addressed label is provided by the Bureau for this purpose.

The Scheme was necessarily slow in getting under way, but once the collections had been started, the Bureau was, and still is, inundated with stamps. It is a common sight in Ebury Street to see the postman entering No. 132 staggering under the weight of perhaps half a dozen large parcels of stamps.

At the beginning, it was intended that the Bureau should itself wash, sort, and prepare the stamps for subsequent sale, either in packets or "on approval". For this purpose, the services of a part-time expert were obtained, and he did the work during his spare time in his own home. After the first six months working, however, it was found that, even with the assistance of a local Scout Troop, the volume of work involved was far more than he could cope with. Accordingly, the whole question was reconsidered, with professional advice, and now all the stamps received are sold in bulk to a firm of dealers. The firm concerned, Stanley Gibbons Ltd., are very well disposed towards the Scout Movement, and kindly offered us special terms for

the purchase of our stamps. Normally, stamps are purchased by weight, but in our case each package and indeed each stamp, is individually valued and this means, in as far as we are concerned, a far more lucrative result than is usually the case. The Bureau is greatly indebted to Stanley Gibbons Ltd. and their Sales Director, Mr. A. C. Andrews, for their very willing help and advice.

By the end of 1954, when the Bureau's financial year ended, the scheme had paid off its initial expense (circularizing and stationery, etc.) and showed a small profit. This was considered extremely satisfactory, as critics of the scheme had said that the idea could not be expected to show a return until it had been in existence for at least twelve months and perhaps not even then. With the change of sales policy, the only expense the scheme was left with was the cost of further circular letters (in order to keep up the 'flow of stamps') and of acknowledging all receipts. Admittedly, the profit on each batch of stamps was not so great, but it was felt that the saving on expenses and the time of the limited Bureau

staff would more than outweigh this. Subsequent operations have proved this correct, for during the first three months of 1955 the scheme showed a profit of approximately £110. With the continued co-operation of all the many friends of Scouting throughout the world it is confidently expected that, for 1955, the scheme will show a profit in the region of £500. Our aim, however, is £1,000 per annum, and there is no reason why this cannot be attained, provided that all Scouts everywhere continue the good work. If EVERY member of the Movement throughout the world collected just one used stamp per year, we would have 6,500,000 stamps to sell for the benefit of Scouting. And this is about six million more than we have had so far in twelve months.

You may ask — 'What does the Bureau want this money for?' The answer is briefly, to help boys become Scouts and know and enjoy the fun that you are having. At present, the Bureau is financed by fees received from member associations of the International Conference, and in return for these fees it gives certain essential services. After paying for these services, no money is left to help train leaders in those countries where Scouting is virtually non-existent, or even unheard of. Even in these enlightened days, there are many such countries in the world, and it is part of the Bureau's job to help boys in these countries. No one will deny that such a task is well worthwhile.



Stamp Collecting has been a hobby with the Royal Family for many years. This charming picture of our Queen working with her stamp collection in Buckingham Palace is one all your Stamp collectors should see.



# WELCOME, NEW CHUM

By DON KING, High River, Alta.

"WELL, well, and who's this darling little fellow?" twittered Akela, giving the small New Chum a loving pat on his bristly head. The "Little Fellow" gave Akela a big brave smile, because he was good Cub material, and replied, "Bill Hunt, Akela."

"Oh," said Akela, "Another Billy, eh?"

"No ma'am," came the grave answer, "My name's Bill."

And "Bill" it was, to the other boys as well as himself. Akela will never know how close she came to losing a Cub before she even got him. I wonder how many Cub and Scout leaders are oblivious to the difference between "Bill" and "Billy". Billy or Georgie or Donnie, in fact most of the names with the "y" or "ie" tag on it is apt to ring a sour note in the ears of the boy. True, his mother and his auntie and his sister call him that, but they are "girls". Thus the fond name is ever associated with "girls", and everybody knows there is nothing worse than a girl.

I speak of the majority of boys. Naturally, there are those who must be handled very carefully in just the opposite way, but the average boy of Cub age is just attempting, rather unsuccessfully, perhaps, to break away from Mother, making himself a creature unto his own, and he must be treated so. While Mother still means most to him, he is growing up a little. It is not yet quite time for Father to take over completely. He is an individual, balancing on the fence. This is the normal case.

But think of the small, the undersized boy. The lad who, of an age with his larger companions, is "too small" to join in the rough games of the others, is left behind, "ditched" at every opportunity. He has the same thoughts, wishes and energies of his fellows, but how is he to vent them? Nine times out of ten he will do it by trying to do everything everybody else can do and many other things as well. He will work his heart out trying to out-run, out-play and yes, even out-eat his chums. All to prove himself to them and claim their recognition.

And after nearly killing himself a dozen times in his attempts to measure up, the gang nearly always accepts him

on equal terms, as a true buddy. Then, just as he has gained his peak of equality with his friends, they talk him into joining Cubs, where on his first meeting Akela promptly knocks the props from under him and reduces him once again to his inferior status of "little fellow".

Result? Chaos! Utter disregard of rules of Cubbing and sportsmanship may mark his hurt. He has been defamed in the eyes of his chums. He must start all over again to build himself up. And what better way than to show the fellows how daring and brave he is by flouting the authority of his leaders? He becomes one big headache, for he is undoubtedly clever when he wishes to be, but how can one work with such a boy? He is the centre of all disturbances, right in the middle of every trouble, boundless in energy devoted to driving Akela to distraction. And if he is punished or sent home, all the better. He becomes a martyr.

Stop and think before you greet the New Chum. He may be smaller than the others, but in Cubbing, Age and

Ability are what count. Just remember that he has been playing with these larger boys all his life, and has probably just managed to win them over to stop calling him "Shorty." He wants to be accepted as one of them, not as a "cute little Cub". If his size hinders his playing games or doing other work, arrange the activities that suit him, but never, never let anybody know it, especially him. Better to slow down the whole Pack than to show up one lad's weakness in front of his playmates.

Now this problem probably never occurred to you before. But it should have. It means the difference between that small lad enjoying his share of Cubbing or merely hanging on to show his friends what a good fellow he is.

Just remember that the Cub is a small boy now, but in a year he will no doubt be bursting the seams of his jersey. Boys have a habit of being small for several years, and then suddenly spring to amazing heights within a few months. So be careful what you call him, because before he is out of Cubs he may be calling you "Shorty."

## Notice for Jamboree Scouts and Scouters

There are still several Photo Finishing orders placed at the Canteen Service of the 8th World Jamboree which have not been claimed.

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## YOUNG CANADA'S Book Week NOVEMBER 15-22

FROM November 15th to November 22nd, 1955, Young Canada's Book Week will be celebrated for the seventh consecutive year. The Boy Scouts of Canada have always been a sponsoring organization. This is a natural affiliation since any organization with the high ideals and aims of the Boy Scouts must be aware of the part played by good books in developing informed and intelligent citizens.

The Book Week celebration in Canada is now organized by a committee appointed by the Canadian Association of Children's Librarians and most of the impetus for such celebration has come from those engaged in the production and distribution of books.

Last year, however, one of the most effective Book Week programmes was planned and carried out in Vancouver by a committee of interested citizens. The children's librarians of Vancouver Public Library acted merely in an advisory capacity.

It is the earnest hope of the Book Week Committee that similar projects will be undertaken in more communities. There are many places in Canada where it is impossible to buy a book in a book store or borrow one from a library because there is no book store and no public library.

Surely the Cub and Scout leaders of Canada with their high place in the community and their ideals of good citizenship are the natural people to organize in their community. The fewer the facilities the greater is the need. Celebration of Young Canada's Book Week in 1955 could easily be the

By MARGARET WITEMAN

Boy's and Girl's Librarian  
East York Schools, Ontario

beginning of a move to provide public library service to enrich the life of communities which have never known it.

Further information and suggestions including book lists and posters may be had by writing to the committee chairman, Miss June Munro, Leaside Public Library, 165 McRae Drive, Leaside, Ontario.

The following list was made by Miss Isabel O'Brien of the Toronto Public Libraries who has used all these books successfully with Cub and Scout leaders in her community. All books may be ordered through the Co-operative Book Centre of Canada Limited, 146 Wellington St., Toronto, Ontario. Prices are subject to change.

### Camping and Woodcraft

Jaeger, Ellsworth: Council Fires, Macmillan, \$2.95.

Jaeger, Ellsworth: Wildwood Wisdom, Macmillan, \$3.95.

Mason, Bernard: Junior Book of Camping and Woodcraft, Barnes, \$4.80.

Wiley, Farida, ed. (Scouts): Ernest Thompson Seton's America, Devin-Adair, \$6.00.

Bancroft, Jessie H.: Games, Macmillan, \$6.00.

### Stories To Read and Tell

Kingsley, Charles: The Heroes, Macmillan, \$2.00.

Shedlock, Marie: The art of the storyteller, Dover Publications, \$2.95.

Tyler, A. C.: Twenty-four Unusual Stories, Harcourt, \$4.00.

Shepherd, Esther: Paul Bunyan, Harcourt, \$4.50.

McCormich, Dell J.: Tall Timber Tales, Caxton, \$3.00.

(A version of the Paul Bunyan stories for younger boys than the above).

Chase, Richard: The Jack Tales, Houghton, \$3.25.

Hooke, H. M.: Thunder in the Mountains, Oxford, \$2.50.

Lofting, Hugh: The Story of Doctor Dolittle (Cubs), Lippincott, \$2.50.

Lear, Edward: Nonsense Omnibus, Warne, \$2.25.

Fish, Helen D.: The Boy's Book of Verse, Lippincott, \$3.25.

Seton, Ernest Thompson: Wild Animals I Have Known, Scribner, \$3.50.

Roberts, Sir Charles G. D.: Forest Fold, Ryerson Press, \$2.75.

Pyle, Howard: Some Merry Adventures of Robin Hood, Scribner, \$2.00.

McCloskey, Robert: Homer Price, Viking Press, \$3.00.

Smith, Janet A.: The Faber Book of Children's Verse, Faber, \$3.00.



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# A Scout is Courteous

By "GREEN TABS" in the magazine *Scouting in New South Wales*

WITH this title I suppose that half the readers of *Scouting* will skip this article, and only the die-hards will read on. This is a great pity, for the article is intended for those who never seem to have time to think over their full responsibilities as a Scouter. Maybe next time we will slip the article in under a catchy heading "Do Blondes or Redheads Make the Best Cubmasters?" However, let's do our best with the reliable fifty per cent.

What is the meaning of the fifth Scout Law? The average Scout will tell you that it means giving up your seat in a tram or bus for ladies, old people or cripples, or helping such people across the road. The sooner we get away from such a narrow interpretation of our duty as defined by this law, the better for the Scout Movement as a whole. A much wider outlook on the meaning of courtesy should apply to everyone attached to the Movement—Scout, Scouter, Commissioner,

even the members of the Group, District and Area Associations.

## In All Relations

As I see it, courtesy is applicable in all our relations with all other people (both individuals and groups of people) not just to the aged and the sick. It is in essence, a practical application of the Golden Rule—the essence of Christianity—the doing to others as you would like them to do with you.

Let us get down to some practical detail to see how we can apply courtesy in our everyday and Scouting lives. The points raised are not necessarily in order of importance, but in order in which they come to mind.

First let us consider the visitor in our midst. Do we take immediate notice of his presence, greet him, welcome him and see that his needs are being attended to? Whether he be a Commissioner, a parent, a stranger, even an unknown boy who appears at our Clubroom door during a Scout

meeting, is there a tradition in your Troop which says that someone (not just the Scouter) immediately meets him to find out what he is seeking, then looks after him during his visit? To the casual visitor such attention would mean more than the four words of the fifth law stuck up on the wall. The call "Troop", followed by immediate silence is a very impressive welcome.

Almost in the same category is the trainee Scouter who has been sent along to train with our section. Is he made welcome as a friend and as a member of the Group, or does he or she feel right out of the picture—an undesirable influence, who is to be tolerated or ignored? Courtesy demands that all visitors are always welcome, and are always made to feel welcome.

A second point is the question of punctuality. You have an appointment, or a meeting, or an entertainment, or a rally, perhaps a sports carnival—all for a definite starting time. Courtesy

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demands that you are there before the appointed time, so that the function can commence on schedule. There is nothing which gives, say, an outside badge examiner, a worse impression of Scouting than a boy who fails to turn up at the appointed time (unless it is a boy who turns up without an appointment). There is nothing worse than a function which starts half an hour after the appointed time. Come what may, the regular Troop or Pack meeting must always start at the correct time, and punctuality by Scouters as well as boys is an essence of courtesy.

The third point arises out of the second point. If you are going to be late, always send your apologies beforehand. If you are caused to be late by unforeseen circumstances, then present your apologies at the first opportunity. Better still, avoid conditions which may cause you to be late—Be Prepared. If you are unable to attend a function, always send your apologies for absence before the function in time for alternative action to be decided upon—don't leave it to the last minute.

The fourth point is the perpetual difficulty we have with correspondence.

If a letter requires an answer, then courtesy requires us to answer, and to do so promptly, either by our own letter, a phone call, or a personal visit to the party concerned. My own experience has been that Scouters (including some Commissioners) give a satisfactory reply to less than 50 per cent of letters requiring an answer—even when a stamped addressed envelope is enclosed for the reply. What a disgraceful state of affairs.

### Borrowing

When we borrow an article, do we return it promptly after we have finished with it, and do we return it in as good or better condition than when we borrowed it? If it is lost while in our possession we have a moral as well as a legal responsibility to make the loss good. Don't forget also our thanks to the owner for the use of his property, whether it be his land for a camp, or another Troop for a tent.

Scouts haven't a monopoly in doing "good turns". We must always be ready with our sincere thanks when anyone does us a good turn. People get a wonderful kick out of knowing that

their efforts are being appreciated—don't you do so yourself?

Our last thought is the need for courtesy in our dealing with those around us—our family, our Group, District, Committee or what have you. We should always regard other people (in spite of what may seem to be funny ideas) as individuals who deserve our respect. Haven't you noticed that when a person is rude to you, it gets your back up and makes things both uncomfortable and difficult between you? Being polite to others and respecting their views at all times will certainly make life more pleasant. Patrol Leaders—you will get better results with firm but polite orders than by yelling. Scouters—there are others in your team, and you are one in a team; don't ignore them.

As in nearly all Scouting activities; the personal example of the Scouter is vastly more important than thousands of words on the subject. If we hope to make courtesy the hall mark of a Scout, then we have a lot of work ahead of us to see that we are able to set a good example for the boys to follow. "Physician, heal thyself."



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"THE NATIVITY" A colourful card suitable for a Wolf Cub or Boy Scout. Illustrates in pleasing colours a Cub and a Scout gazing on the scene at Bethlehem where the child Jesus was born. A timely card to send members of the Pack or Troop. Size 5 x 4 inches. Folder type with Christmas message.

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# LEADERSHIP TRAINING

IS A PART I WOOD BADGE COURSE NECESSARY?

By G. G. PURKIS

Training Department, Canadian Headquarters

"Troop Alert. Take Post. . . .  
Report your halcyards!"

"Halcyards all clear!"

"Steady . . . right knee for Scout Vesper." "Softly falls the light of day as our campfire fades away, silently each Scout should ask, have . . .". Thirty-two boys, a Troop Leader and an A.S.M. softly sang The Vesper Song at the closing of a meeting. This was a going away meeting, not for the boys, but for the Scoutmaster. Usually the Scouter sang this vesper with the Troop, but on this occasion a lump caught in his throat and it wasn't possible for him to utter a word, but during that time memories came and in each face of the Troop ten other faces were illuminated. Yes, all of them had come and gone, sometimes there were only six or seven at a meeting; other nights there were fifteen, but not until during the past year had there ever been a full troop of thirty-two Scouts.

Seven years ago, the Scoutmaster came out of the ranks of the Troop, to be an Acting Scouter. All he knew was what he had learned during his Scout Training in this Troop, so all he could do now was pass this on to the other Scouts. What should he do for patrols, programmes, instructors, yes what should he do for Scouts? Advertisement in schools and churches was made for some time and no boys came to the meetings other than the seven old faithfuls. Yes there was a Cub Pack and a very good one too, but the Scouter did not consider this as a possibility for Scouts, in fact he did not even know the Akela!

Each year, however, the Troop grew slowly in strength finally averaging about fifteen boys; some

of them were Patrol Leaders, some Patrol Seconds, there wasn't any Troop Leader. Each year the turnover of the Troop was in the neighbourhood of fifty per cent. Usually the boys came in at 12 years of age and left around 13½ years, but seldom anyone stayed over their fourteenth birthday. This went on for five years, some good times were had, yes, even some good camps and some wonderful meetings, but none of them were good Scouting.

Fortunately the Scouter decided that he needed training but this would have to wait as he was being moved to a small town in the West of Canada and would have to discontinue Scouting for a time. Upon arrival in the west the Scouter was approached to help with the Scout Troop, but time and circumstances did not allow this, so the Scouter declined the invitation. A few months later another move came and the Scouter was sent to Ottawa, where an Akela convinced him to help out with the Cub Pack near his home. The Scouter was older now and was learning plenty from the experienced Cub Leader. During a conversation one evening the Akela suggested that he take the Part I Wood Badge Course for Scouters, either in Cubbing, Scouting or Rovering. It was a good idea!

To get the information for this course wasn't tough at all. It meant reading the basic books on Canadian Scouting: "Scouting for Boys", "The Scoutmaster's First Year" and "Policy, Organization and Rules for Canada". From these books and your own experience, you were to answer certain ques-

tions given in a pamphlet questionnaire by Canadian H.Q. and broken up into three studies. Each study was done in order and handed in for marking. When they came back additional suggestions were listed on the back of your answers as to other methods that may be used to train the boys. Finally the third study came back and a little blue card stating that this Scoutmaster had successfully completed Part I Wood Badge Training.

Now, what good was this to a man who was helping out in a Cub Pack? Next month the Scouter returned to his home town and came back to his old Scout Troop as a Scoutmaster again. My how things had changed. The Troop was meeting in a different hall now and there were new faces and very few of the old ones there. The Scoutmaster set to work, reorganizing, planning, instructing, putting into use what he had gathered in his reading for the Part I Wood Badge Course. Now, a year later, the results of his efforts had borne fruit. Yes, here it was a complete Scout Troop being run entirely by the Court of Honour, using the Patrol System. What does the Scoutmaster do? Not very much now, he is the man who guides the C.O.H., the man who takes a personal interest in each of the boys, the man who gives his report to the Group Committee, and now the man who was leaving the Scout Troop, turning it over to his A.S.M. who in turn would train his A.S.M. which the Group Committee had already located, and who was watching the meeting this evening.

Yes, a Part I Wood Badge Course helped this Scouter!



# A WIDE GAME

By SCOUTER K. ZROBACK, Geraldton, Ontario

We are always happy to hear of new games or new twists on old games. If you have one or more that your boys enjoy, why not send it along to the Editor so that it can be shared with other Scouters.

This game was for observation, tracking, and familiarizing the boys with the local Police.

The meeting was started at 7.00 p.m., and about 7.35 p.m., the Local Provincial Police entered the Scout Hall asking permission for the Scouts to come out and help them to locate a prisoner who had escaped from the local jail about 7.25 p.m. that evening. We immediately jumped at the offer.

The corporal of the Force gave the Troop a good description of the escaped convict (who happened to be a member of our Group Committee). The officer asked if there were any questions, and if all was clear what we had to do. Each Patrol (four of them) were briefed as to what section of the town they were to cover, and I pointed out that in the event of need of help I would blow one long blast of the whistle for No. 1 Patrol and two long blasts on the whistle for No. 2 Patrol, etc.

We started out to our respective points, while the Police with their two cruiser cars patrolled the main roads. My beat was the main street and I was to be informed of any activities by a runner detailed from each Patrol, then, in turn, I would relay the information to the Police.

It wasn't long before I heard a great commotion behind the High School and within a few minutes the runner of No. 1 Patrol brought me a sleeve, a cap and an overshoe, which fitted the description given us at the Hall. The rest of No. 1 Troop followed the tracks in a westerly direction and I then summoned No. 2, No. 3 and No. 4 Troops with the specified blasts on my whistle. Assembling at the scrimish point, the general direction of the fleeing prisoner was given. We checked the tracks and found that one footprint was the mark of a shoe, while the other was an overshoe mark, so we knew we were on the right track.

In the meantime, the Patrol that contacted the prisoner was on his trail, while No. 2 Patrol took the left flank and No. 3 Patrol the right flank. By this time I had contacted the Police and three boys of No. 4 Patrol went in one police car, the remainder in the

other, patrolling the area of escape and also operating the searchlights on the cruiser cars.

In a matter of minutes the prisoner was picked up in the strong beams of the searchlights. We noticed that the Patrols were about 22 yards on either side of the prisoner doing a very good job of field formation.

The police cars took the boys to a point where the prisoner was expected to come out, set them out there and waited. By this time the prisoner came at will and seemed somewhat tired and weary. He didn't put up any resistance when taken over by No. 1 Patrol

which was close on his heels at all times.

The prisoner was taken by the Police into the car and rushed away. I counted the members of the Troop to make sure all were present, then we moved off to the Scout Hall where we were greeted by hot cocoa and doughnuts provided by our Ladies' Auxiliary. The whole scheme was enjoyed by all, the lunch hit the spot. Minutes later the Corporal of the Force dropped in and thanked the boys for the fine work and co-operation which they had shown. The officer also enjoyed the lunch.

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## A Yarn for Rover Scouts

By the late COL. C. T. BATTEN, Provincial Commissioner, British Columbia

We have just learned, at final proof time for the magazines, that Col. Batten was called to Higher Service on October 8th. Canadian Scouting has suffered a great loss in the passing of this outstanding Scouter.

You can be an artist!

"Well heck!" you say, "Who wants to be one?" and you immediately think of a long haired individual wearing a black beret and a smock and a pair of baggy pants and paint-spattered shoes.

Well I don't mean that, for after all that is a caricature of an artist and those who dress the part are not always the best artists.

I might have said "You can be a Scientist" for in truth you will probably have to be one before you can become an artist.

So let us just first of all think what we mean when we talk of Art and Artists, Science and Scientists.

If you look up "Science" in the Dictionary the simplest definition given will be "Knowledge" and "Art" will be defined as "Skill", and these are the senses in which I want you to think of them.

So you see a Scientist is one who has an intimate and organized knowledge of his subject—any subject he happens to be interested in.

Whereas an Artist is one who has acquired a skill of doing things enabling him to approach perfection of performance.

Now perhaps you begin to see what I am driving at and why I said you would probably have to be a Scientist before you became an Artist.

The Scientist is concerned with knowledge but the Artist with doing things. So you don't have to paint pictures, carve statues, be a great musician or an actor in order to be an Artist. You can become an Artist in any of the

humble occupations of life—and I hope you will.

Watch an expert gardener tilling a plot and see how he turns over the soil with a minimum of effort and an efficiency of movement with a resulting perfection of smoothly spaded surface that makes the ordinary amateur envious. He is an Artist at his job.

And so in whatever line of endeavour you take up you also can become an Artist.

But it is not done by wishing.

How often have you heard somebody say after perhaps hearing a brilliant musical performance, "Oh I would give anything to be able to play like that!"

Generally they don't really mean it, for it is questionable if they would take the time and endless effort and practice required to reach the same stage of efficiency.

But I can hear some of you analytical people saying "aren't you mixing up 'art' and plain ordinary 'efficiency'." A machine can and does turn out perfectly executed articles with the utmost precision. Would you call the machine an Artist? No I wouldn't, though the inventor of the machine is probably an Artist.

But you are quite right there is something else that has to be added to an efficient performance before it can qualify as Art and that extra something I would call "inspiration".

Now you Rovers have had an excellent training for successful living if your Scouting has been the sort of experience that B.-P. intended. Those of you who were Cubs started off by

learning to "Do Your Best" and not to give in to yourself but to keep on trying.

As Scouts you carried this further and voluntarily accepted the self discipline and service to others involved in the Scout Law. You learned many skills and you came to love the great outdoors and by getting close to Nature you came to a realization of how God is in everything and that His laws are governing the Universe.

You have each tried to interpret your Duty to God to the best of your ability and I have no doubt that on nights such as this at the close of the camp fire you have felt that God was near and available to you for help and strength.

All these experiences you have enjoyed or you would not now be Rovers.

And now you are *Rovers* and can be *Artists*.

For this training you have received as Cubs and Scouts has fitted you to take your part in life and to have the courage and endurance to be satisfied with nothing less than your Best. If you stay with these principles you will most certainly attain efficiency in whatever line of endeavour you take up.

But that something extra to become an Artist—"Inspiration".

Well that can come only from God who alone has the power to inspire mortal men.

But be sure of this if you do your part God will not fail you, but you will have to ask Him and live up to your Scout Promise.

You can be an Artist.

*Announcing a Thrilling Adventure*

## THE 2nd CANADIAN ROVER SCOUT MOOT

An invitation is extended to every Rover Scout and Scouter to join with other Canadian Rover Scouts for a MOOT in 1956. Plans are now underway and details of the Moot will be published as soon as they become available. For the present we can only tell you that the Moot will be held in New Brunswick and that a Moot Committee is working hard on programme and other arrangements.

TELL YOUR ROVERS ABOUT THE MOOT—NOW—AND PLAN TO HAVE YOUR CREW REPRESENTED





## The First Class Hike

By "SKIPPER"

I WAS particularly interested by the article written by Pat Evans in the last issue of *The Scout Leader*. I had a similar experience a few weeks ago in another part of the country far removed from the Gatineau Valley.

I was driving along a country road when I met two boys, one hefting a badly stuffed pack on his back and the other carrying a pack on his back and a bed roll perched on his head, for all the world like a native porter on an African safari. The only thing that identified them as Scouts was one of Fergie's official hand axes, very new and shiny, which was dangling from one of their belts. They were wearing blue jeans, tartan jackets and ski caps.

So I stopped the car to have a chat with them, and this is what I was told. They were on their First Class Hike, and beyond having been told where to camp overnight, there had been no other instructions. Oh yes, apparently they had been told in rather vague terms to look out for birds and unusual trees or plants. I am sure that their terms of reference were being fairly well ignored by the way in which they were walking heads down, looking neither to the right or left; just walking, that's about all.

This was the first time that they had undertaken a hike of this nature and they already had made up their minds that it would be the last. Quite obviously they had had little, if any training in hiking. This trip was being done in order that they would qualify as First Class Scouts and be eligible for the Jamboree contingent.

One wonders what the Scouter in question was doing. I hope that he was

not one of those who attend training courses and appears to be enthusiastic about his job, then goes back to his Troop and carries on in his usual care-free fashion.

There's no point in belabouring the situation, but it is enlightening to record the answers I got to some questions I asked.

Q.—Are you enjoying the hike?

A.—Not much.

Q.—Have you ever been in a similar activity?

A.—No.

Q.—How did you train for the event?

A.—What do you mean by train?

Q.—Well, did the S.M. give you any guidance relative to packing your kits, what to take in the way of food and gear?

A.—No, he gave us a book and told us to find out for ourselves.

Q.—Why are you not in uniform?

A.—We want to keep our uniform clean and neat.

Q.—Will you go on another hike like this again?

A.—Do you think we are crazy?

Well, it is needless to say much more, the incident speaks for itself and remedy is obvious. But why do some Scouters let boys go off on the First Class test hikes without giving some instruction and making sure the boys have a real grasp of what is entailed.

We are fortunate in that from my observations a large percentage of our Scouters do a good job of training to First Class standard, but unfortunately there are some who don't seem to bother. I cannot understand why men can be so slack. It is unfair to the boys, and to the Association.

## WORLD JAMBOREE—1957

Canada's participation in the 50th Anniversary World Jamboree being held in England in 1957, will be discussed at the January meeting of the Executive Committee of the Canadian General Council. Until these discussions have taken place and a decision has been handed down by this policy making body, Canadian, Provincial and District Headquarters cannot answer the many questions that are being received. As soon as information is received on Canada's contingent formation it will be published in *The Scout Leader*. It is requested that all questions be held until that time.

## Conservation Programme Hints

### Wolf Cubs

- \* Invite a member of a local nature or field club to visit the Pack and give the boys a yarn on conserving wild life.
- \* Ask each boy to write out a set of rules for his family to follow when visiting parks or picnic areas.
- \* Put across conservation in your clean up campaign this fall.

### Boy Scouts

- \* A Patrol hike to determine where bird feeding stations could be placed.
- \* Patrol competition for the best assistance given to our feathered friends during the winter. Winning Patrol to be congratulated by local conservationist.
- \* Encourage the Safetyman Badge and point out the conservation angle in the requirements.

### Rover Scouts

- \* Prepare a yarn for Cubs or Scouts on what each person can do to help with a national Conservation Good Turn.
- \* Report to the Crew on what is being done in his Province about restocking ponds and streams.

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# The Wolf Cub Jungle

By CONSTANCE DE POURTALES, France



I believe in the Jungle.

The Jungle is the framework of our Cub Game. Our boys have today, more than ever, a need for colour and imagination; they want strange adventures, the life of the wild, the romance of yarns and ceremonies. All these Kipling gives us in *The Jungle Books*, and with what richness of imagination, what poetry, what power! Those Cubmasters who have had to do without *The Jungle Books* know how difficult it is to find a substitute.

The story of Mowgli is an inexhaustible mine of adventure that capture our boys and give them just the thrills they want. The Jungle is a wonderful world in which they can exercise their imagination and develop their own characters. It provides a picture they can all understand of a society governed by law and order. In it the good are honoured; evil is represented by Shere Khan and Tabaqui, who are hated and defeated.

Some Cubmasters say that your boys have become so used to the hard realities of war that the Jungle no longer appeals to them. This may be so in a few cases, but the Cubmaster who shows to his boys the real, virile jungle of Kipling may be sure of success whatever the boys' circumstances. But it is essential that the leader should play the game with enthusiasm and conviction, and not merely give lip-service. It is also essential to keep the Jungle as Kipling portrayed it—wild, dangerous, and adventurous, calling for courage and endurance.

I have no use for the feeble sloppy picture of the Jungle put before some Packs. We are dealing with boys, not babies, let us stop using baby-talk which means nothing to real boys. I also object to the practice of giving

Jungle names to everything—calling a ball a coconut, and a bit of string a creeper, or being unable to have the simplest game without dressing it up in Jungle language. By so doing we actually rob the Jungle of its mystery by bringing it down to the level of pots and pans.

Re-read *The Jungle Books*. Let yourself be captured anew by their poetry, their mystery, and also by their strength and virility. It is not a matter of nice, quiet games for nice quiet boys; it is a struggle for life, just as Mowgli had to fight his way in a jungle that was often hostile—against such enemies as Shere Khan and old Buldeo, against hunger and cold. We have to think in terms of the rough-and-tumble games of Mowgli and his brother Wolves, who could bite hard even in play.

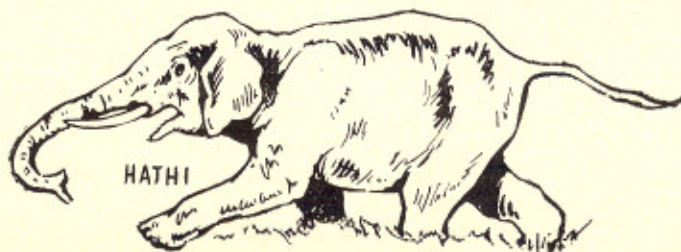
"This is the hour of pride and power, Talon and tush and claw."

But the Jungle is not the whole of Cubbing.

The Jungle is not some sacrosanct rite which must be performed meeting after meeting. The Jungle is not the objective of Cubbing. It is only one, even if the chief, method of many possible methods. It is a frame-work to help us create a spirit, and to give us a favourable atmosphere for developing the right qualities in each of the boys in our care.

It is necessary at times to come out of the Jungle.

Our Cubs need real activities, especially those aged 10—most of all Cubs in downtown Packs. The boy does not mind passing without a pause from being a Wolf to being a Zulu, from being a carpenter to being an ordinary boy—on the contrary, he thinks nothing of such transformations, nor should we.





He likes knocking in nails for the fun of knocking in nails, but he can also be proud of having made something useful, particularly if he has had a lot of trouble doing it. It is not necessary to wrap up all instruction in a camouflaged language once you have convinced him something is worth doing and have roused his enthusiasm. So, too, he likes a game just for the fun of it, and the struggle to be the best. Just the same with Good Turns, expeditions and so on.

Some Cubmasters find it difficult to feel at home in the Jungle, and the Cub who has had several years in the Pack knows all the Mowgli stories and how each ends. But it is not necessary to limit ourselves to The Jungle Books. There are other stories about wolves, such as Jack London's White Fang and The Call of the Wild, both recommended to us by B.-P. in the *Wolf Cub's Handbook*. We must make the widest possible appeal to the boys' imaginative powers.

As for stories outside of the Jungle, let us choose with discretion. Such stories should help to raise the boy above the common sordid level to a world in which the finest qualities of character are presented to him.

Let me tell you of two examples I have come across of kinds of stories we should certainly not use in our Packs.

What do you think of a St. George's Day meeting where the theme of a game was the war between the Japanese and Chinese? That actually happened.

Or, to take another type, what of the Cubmaster who took the Crusades as the background—a good idea—but instead of bringing out the courage, the self sacrifice and the faith of the Crusaders lectured them on the French nobles. "The nobles", it was explained, "were bored, so to pass the time they fought and robbed each other, they went on to the Crusades to find new lands to attack and plunder." The game which followed was the sack of a monastery. It all may be true historically, but as character training it is idiotic.

There are endless ideas of yarns and games in the lives of airmen, sailors, explorers and missionaries in all parts of the world. You can even find good material in your own locality with very little searching—its history, its legends, its industries, and so on. Let us make good use of all these sources, and not be afraid of using our imagination and inventiveness in bringing fresh and exciting ideas to Cubs.



## THE JAMBOREE STORY

There will be a Special Supplementary issue of *The Scout Leader* produced to tell, in brief but pictorial form, the story of the 8th World Jamboree. As we are anxious to review as many pictures as possible before choosing those to be included in this Special issue of the magazine, it will not be possible to produce this story until December. All those who are on our mailing lists for *The Scout Leader* and/or *The Junior Leader* as of December, will receive a FREE COPY of this special issue. Take advantage of this offer now and send your friends and supporters a gift subscription to either or both these Scouting magazine. Use the special form included in this issue to rush your order along.



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# SCOUTING Digest

## Scout Brotherhood Fund

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| Discrepancy in Balance B/F from     |            |
| May                                 | \$69.96    |
| Balance                             | \$1,610.50 |
| 46th Montgomery, Alta., Pack        | \$ 4.60    |
| Vancouver Centre Area Council       | 24.37      |
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|                                     | .60        |
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| Belleville, Ont.                    | 2.30       |
| Mr. Chester Smith, St. Thomas,      |            |
| Ont.                                | 10.00      |
| Anonymous                           | 3.00       |
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| Roland House, London                | \$ 68.09   |
| Sydney, Australia                   | 222.00     |
| 1st Bowen Island                    | 33.25      |
|                                     | \$323.34   |
| Balance at 26th September,          |            |
| 1955                                | \$1,445.94 |

## International Camporee

We have recently received a report of the Second International Camporee, conducted under the auspices of the Belleville Scouters' Club. Canadian Scouts in and around Belleville and American Scouts from the Chicago, Illinois area, camped together during the week August 29th to September 3rd. In an adventure-packed programme the Canadian hosts took their American friends on a trip through the Thousand Islands and Old Fort Henry.

The Camporee was a wonderful success and plans are now well under way for a third such gathering which will take place in Chicago in 1956.

## Sea Scout Cruise

A crew of First Lakefield Sea Scouts made an official visit to Ontario's newest Sea Scout Troop at Point au Baril Station on Georgian Bay during the third week of July. This is a round trip of five hundred miles and the best effort the lads have made yet in the old Warspite II.

## Book Round-up

"Operation Book-Roundup is now in full swing, as a special Christmas patrol good turn. All patrols in the Zone are collecting boys' books for the Ontario Training School for Boys at Cobourg. The first such project ever held as a combined effort by the Patrols of each Troop, this good turn will stress the spirit of brotherhood and also lead the boys of the training school towards Scouting and good citizenship. DSM Bud Jacobi and two Scouters will take the books to Cobourg and arrange for pen-pal correspondence with the Superintendent. Each Troop is donating \$2.00 to brighten Christmas for the forgotten youngsters at the school (of Scout age). A Master-at-Arms course is also planned for this rapidly growing Zone which includes some of the youngest Troops in the district. Zone Scouters will exchange visits and share new ideas with Scouters of other Troops in the district. The following challenging "Zone Targets" were chosen at a meeting of Zone Scouters, and each Troop will make a special effort to reach these targets:

Scouting for Boys, a planned action-programme of adventure and training; full uniform, smartly worn; effective patrol-system, including Court of Honour, Patrol Meetings and Junior Leaders in charge of Troop Meetings; prompt response to orders and signals, good discipline; a high standard on test passing and badge work; stress on outdoor Scouting; a real "Scouty" Troop spirit with emphasis on the Promise and Laws.

—St. Catharines Standard, 1954.

## Travelling A.S.M.

With H.M.C.S. *Labrador* — former A.S.M. of the 1st Sorel Troop, Allan Seayesbrooke, R.C.N., was a member of the crew which made the adventure-some trip, over the top with the *Labrador*.

Allan, who resigned his Scouting post when assigned to the *Labrador*, will have some real yarns to spin to the Troop when he returns to Sorel.

## Canadian Indian Cubbing

We have recently received an interesting report from Henry G. Cook, Superintendent of the Indian School Administration of the Missionary Society of the Anglican Church in Canada, in which he outlines a section of a report which he received from the Principal of the Prince Albert, Sask., Anglican Indian Residential School:

"One special event during 1954 was the Cub and Scout Ice Stampede held in February. Cub Packs from the city and district entered teams for flat racing, obstacle races, chuck wagon races, etc. Prince Albert Refineries donated a shield for the team winning the most points. The school pack (7th Prince Albert) won all events except one and came home with the shield and individual ribbons. The Stampede is to be an annual event."

## Drummondville, Que., Rovering

The Carrington Rover Crew carried out their eighth consecutive Christmas collection of food, clothing and toys for the poor. The support of local citizens enabled the Rovers to deliver worthwhile boxes to those in need.

Regular indoor shooting meets are carried out, all of the members competing for various awards, under the Dominion Marksman Regulations. During the spring of 1954 the Crew was invited to enter several teams in a city wide match. Other teams were entered by the local Militia and the Fish and Game Club. The Rovers won the match and the winning team is shown at their round table on which is displayed, the cup.





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