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### WOOD BADGE PART II COURSES 1956 PACK SCOUTERS

COLUMBIA PRAIRIE (Alberta, Saskat-

PROVINCE

BRITISH

ONTARIO

QUEBEC

MARITIMES (Nova Scotia, New

Brunswick, Prince

Edward Island).

PROVINCE

Aug. 18th - Aug. 25th Camp Byng, near Gibson

AKELA LEADER Camp Tweedsmuir, E. A. Oakley near Trail

D. L. Schutz

G. S. Audley,

W. H. Endes

C. E. Pilling

R. S. Taylor

Edmonton

July 29th - Aug. 4th chewan, Manitoba & N.W. Ont.)

June 2-3, 9-10, 16-17, 23-24

DATES

June 23rd - June 30th

July 15th - July 21st Sept. 9th - Sept. 15th

July 30th - Aug. 4th

Aug. 13th - Aug. 18th

June 30th - July 5th

Lac Bonmallee, near Eastman Lac Cloutier

PLACE

Camp Wood, near

Sylvan Lake, Alta.

Camp of the Crooked

Blue Springs, Acton

Blue Springs, Acton

Creek

Sussex, N.B.

H. W. Clarke R. C. Boright

W. A. Speed

DEPUTY CAMP

L. F. Cashman

J. L. Watson

CHIEF

# WOOD BADGE PART II COURSES 1956 TROOP SCOUTERS

JULY 14th - July 22nd Near Clinton, B.C.

BRITISH COLUMBIA PRAIRIE (Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba & N.W. Ont.) ONTARIO OUEBEC MARITIMES Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island)

PROVINCE

ONTARIO

July 16th - July 25th

4 weekends in May,

incl. the long week

Camp Woods,near Sylvan Lake

Legge Farm, near

Haney

E. Kumm

J. Duffin

26-27 Creek July 21st - July 29th Blue Springs, Acton Sept. 15th - Sept. 23rd Blue Springs, Acton. July 21st - July 28th Tamaracouta

May 5-6, 12-13, 19-20-21, Camp of the Crooked

W. Bryce

May 26, June 2, 9, 16, Miller's Lake, N.S. July 14th - July 22nd Southern New Brunswick

K. E. Margeson E. Boyaner

SEA SCOUT TROOP SCOUTERS

Third week in June

Lakefield, Ont.

DEPUTY CAMP CHIEF K. Jakins

WOOD BADGE PART II COURSES 1956 CREW SCOUTERS

PROVINCE DATE ONTARIO

July 29th - Aug. 4th

DATE

PLACE Blue Springs, Acton

PLACE

DEPUTY CAMP CHIEF J. A. Hencher

QUEBEC June 23, 24, 25, 30, July 1, 2

C. W. Downey



# Guest Editorial

By JOHN A. LIVINGSTON, Executive Director, Audubon Society of Canada



TAPITH the adoption of "Conservation" as its annual theme in 1956, the Boy Scouts Association in Canada has undertaken a project worthy of the greatest traditions of Scouting. "Conservation", the word, can mean a great many things. It means different things to different people. Often it means merely a sort of temporary preservation for a total, unimaginative use at a later date. It frequently means a selfish hoarding for a purpose which can be narrow in the extreme. In the truest sense, in the sense which Canadian Scouting has chosen to interpret it, "conservation" means wise use and intelligent treatment of those resources which can be perpetuated indefinitely for the successful survival of the human species.

To practice conservation properly and effectively, we would do well to remember a few fundamental principles. First of all (and this is the basic statement in the creed of the Audubon Society of Canada), it is necessary that we believe implicitly in the infinite wisdom of nature's original design. We must realize and appreciate that nothing in the design of nature is ever accidental. Each element has its special function to fulfill and its special role to play.

We have four natural resources which

we can correctly call "renewable"—our soil, our water, our plants and our wild creatures. By "renewable" we mean that through proper understanding and use, these elements may be successfully continued. We must understand that these four resources are each dependent for survival on the other, and that each in its separate way is vital to human life. The four, collectively, are essential to human progress.

We must remember too that each living thing—whether it be a plant, or an animal, or some microscopic organism in the soil—links to countless others in the chain of nature. This chain is as strong as its weakest link, and through improper treatment and careless waste, there are certain links which are wearing thin. It is our duty to save and forge and strengthen each of the precious components, that the whole may not suffer for the damage done to one.

A true conservationist, and a true Scout, will know that it is incorrect—in fact impossible—to condemn any wild creature. The owl and the fox have their purpose, just as much as the oriole and the deer. In this understanding of the importance of every living thing, conservationists work to ensure that no living species shall be lost. The Audubon Society is dedicated to this task. Scouts could work to

protect living things which might be growing scarce in their own neighborhoods. This is a most significant conservation activity.

Some people ask Audubon members, and they will probably ask Scouts too, "Why are you conservationists? Why do you go to all this trouble to protect these things like soil and water and trees and animals? What are they worth?" We work to protect and perpetuate these things because we believe that each generation should be able—indeed has the right—to experience spiritual and physical refreshment in places where primitive nature is undisturbed.

For that reason, because we know we owe future generations a duty—we work to protect our wilderness areas, sanctuaries and parks. We encourage good use of nature's tremendous store-house of resources. We know that these things can be continued, for our own benefit and for the future welfare of mankind. For that reason, we dedicate ourselves, as good conservationists, as Scouts, to the pleasant task of opening the eyes of young and old, that all may come to enjoy the beauty of the outdoor world, and to share in conserving its wonders forever.

It's a pretty worthwhile project, Seouts. Good luck to you.

# Conservation Kick-off Week April 8-14

National Wildlife Week has been chosen as the time to officially launch our Conservation scheme and to draw the attention of the Public to the part Scouting is playing in this important National Good Turn. Special material for Radio, Television, Newspapers and Scout Bulletins has been prepared by the Public Relations Service of Canadian Headquarters. This material is available for your use now and should be ordered through your Provincial Headquarters.

Remember it is the personal, local approach which helps to put these things across. LET'S ALL DETERMINE NOW TO MAKE OUR SUPPORTERS AWARE OF SCOUTING AND CONSERVATION. PLAN A SPECIAL EVENT WITH EVERY BOY TAKING PART AND YOU CAN BE SURE OF RECOGNITION AND ASSISTANCE FROM PARENTS AND OTHERS IN YOUR COMMUNITY.







Dear Sir:

Since I have gleaned many ideas and found considerable help from the pages of the Scout Leader, I submit the following for publication, if you see fit, in the hope that it may likewise assist other Scouters.

# A Scouter's Notes on the Bronze Arrowhead Training Course

There appears to be much controversy over who is responsible for the training of our Junior Leaders through the Bronze Arrowhead Course. At the bi-monthly meetings of Scouters in our District, the matter has been hashed and rehashed. The majority of Scouters feel that it is the job of the District staff, while the District staff maintains that the job was undertaken by them as a war-time expedient because of the lack of trained Troop Scouters. They argue that the Course is intended for, and to be used by, the individual Troop Scouter, Some Scouters feel that the boys should be trained by outside Scouters so as to give the boys new ideas; others feel that the boys should be trained by their own Scouters since, they reason, "I am the one they must work with, and they should learn to do things my way."

The Leaders of our Troop felt that somewhere between the above extremes lay the solution to the problem. They therefore set about planning their own Bronze Arrowhead Course. An invitation was extended to nearby troops to participate either by sending leaders to assist, or boys for training. In view of the heated discussions on this problem we looked forward to a good response. We were a little shocked but undismayed by the result. Not a single leader came forward and no other troop sent a single Scout for training; although we offered the course gratis and had agreed to supply the necessary funds and equipment.

We were fortunate in obtaining the use of a local Community Hall and decided to run the course over an entire weekend. The location was almost ideal since there was a park and a small wooded area adjoining the lecture hall. Also the boys could go home at night and for meals, thus eliminating the loss of time resulting from getting meals and setting up camp in near winter conditions. The prescribed course was broken down into five sessions; Friday night, Saturday afternoon, Sunday morning, Sunday afternoon and Sunday evening. Lectures were given by the writer, his assistants, a Toronto Scouter, and the District Scoutmaster. It proved to be a happy marriage of the local Scouter, the outside Scouter and the District Staff.

The class consisted of the Troop Leader, our five P.L.'s and their five Seconds. The Court of Honour provided an interesting note. They felt that since the Course was intended for P.L.'s, the Bronze Arrowhead badge should not be worn by successful participants below the rank of P.L. or below First Class Standard. They reasoned that the wearing of the badge added needed prestige to the rank of P.L. Their decision was to hold the badges until the above qualifications were met or until the boy transferred to another troop.

Did the results justify the Course? Emphatically, yes! Patrol meetings through the week are becoming increasingly common. Patrol hikes have occurred almost every weekend since the course. Patrol corners are now regarded most seriously by the whole troop. Instruction by P.L.'s and Seconds is orderly and planned. There is a new respect among other Scouts for their P.L.s. Competition among Patrols is keener. The Court of Honour functions better. Attendance which usually averaged 90 per cent is now frequently 100 per cent.

Of course some of this enthusiasm among our Junior Leaders will abate. Naturally, since they are boys, they will forget some of the lessons they learned. It is certain, however, that Troop morale is higher and will remain higher, that the Scouters' tasks have been made easier, that the position of Junior Leader is more highly regarded and sought after, and that the P.L.'s will continue to be more highly esteemed individuals. The question they now ask is, "When is District going to have their next Silver Arrowhead Course?" Ronald W. Hawkins.

Scoutmaster, 6th Lansing Troop

We would like to read what others
think about such a scheme and also
their comments on other phases of
our training programme. Please make
sure your suggestions are constructive
and you can be sure they will receive
attention.



Many Groups feature St. George's Day as a time when they will bring home to their boys the importance of Duty to God. May we suggest that this month be devoted to a better understanding of the First and most important part of our Scout Promise.

### THIS MONTH'S COVER PICTURE

Duty to God must be an active part of the Rover Scout Programme. In the Rover Scout Vigil we find the basis for putting across this first and most important phase of our training. This Rover Scout is a member of the Red Otter Crew of Lachine, Que., and his Crew makes use of St. George's Day each year to remind all Rovers of the Promise to do their Duty to God.



# Canadian Headquarters 306 Metcalfe Street, Ottawa 4, Ont.

Mr. Jack Young, Scoutmaster, 1st Shale Falls Troop.

Dear Jack:

Thank you very much for your last letter. I was glad to learn that the plans for the new Rover Crew are progressing favourably and that you expect to have the Crew officially formed in the near future. This is good news indeed. Congratulations!

I was most interested in your comments on your recent Church Parade and particularly in your observation that you feel your Scout Group should be much closer to your sponsoring Church than it is at present. This is not an unusual situation and it is one which can be readily corrected. The first step is for the Scouters of the Group to get a proper appreciation of the relationship of Scouting to the Church. Scouting is not intended to take the place of the Church in the life of the boy. Scouting is not a religion and Scouting requires a religious emphasis supplied by the church for its proper development. Scouting after all is only a programme, a programme for the use of established institutions in the development of their boys. This is something which is not understood by many of our Scout Leaders and certainly by many ministers of churches which sponsor Boy Scout Groups. Too often do we find a minister expressing the sentiment that his church is glad to loan their facilities for the use of the Scout Movement. This is putting the emphasis in the wrong place which brings me to the second step. We must explain to the ministers of our churches that Scouting supplies a programme for boys, which properly used by the church, can be the means of attracting more and more boys to the Church and to an appreciation of the importance of religion in their daily lives. We must continually remind ourselves and our supporters that Scouting is basically a spiritual movement. After all, the first duty of a Scout is to do his duty to God. This can only be accomplished by the day to day practice of his religion. It is for this reason that we suggest that the best type of sponsorship for a Scout Group is a Church because the Church alone can supply the religious emphasis which is essential to the full development of the Scout programme. The minister of the sponsoring church must, of course, be expected to supply that emphasis. This is one of the obligations of sponsorship but regrettably, all too often is a Scout Group regarded as an organization outside of the church and the religious emphasis in the programme is left entirely in the hands of the Scout Leader. This, is not his job. His job is to give the boys the Scouting programme and to ask the church to do its part by supplying the religious content.

Has your Minister been appointed Chaplain of your Group? Does he conduct classes in the Religion and Life Award?

If the answer is "No" to either of these questions, I suggest you take the necessary steps to correct the situation.

Our last word and an important one—I know that most of your boys attend your sponsoring Church, but you do have boys in your Group of other denominations. In a mixed Group such as yours you must be careful at all times to respect the religious beliefs of those who do not belong to your Church and to remember that attendance at a Church Parade to a Church of other than a boy's own denomination must be purely voluntary.

My warmest regards to Betty and the children.

Yours sincerely,

Freig Tuneary

Chief Executive Commissioner





You may recall seeing the Handicapped Cub who appeared on the front cover of the March, 1955 issue of *The Scout* Leader. By hard work this boy has now earned his Second Star and is ready to go on to the Troop of his Group.

# Great Cub Occasions

Although Wolf Cubs were not officially recognized until 1916 (which is why you are celebrating your 40th birthday this year) there were Wolf Cubs in existence long before this. One of their earliest (if not their very earliest) public appearances was on June 13, 1914. On that day 10,000 Scouts were present at a Rally on the Horse Guards' Parade (which you will no doubt go to see if ever you come to London) and were inspected by the Queen who was Her Majesty Queen Alexandra, our present Queen's greatgrandmother! This is what B.-P. wrote in The Scout afterwards:

"When Her Majesty drove on to the ground she was received with a Royal Salute. The Empress of Russia, Queen Alexandra's sister, was in the carriage with her. After the salute, the Queen started to drive slowly round the square; but when she saw that General Jeffreys (then County Commissioner for London) and I were on foot, she stopped the carriage and asked us to come inside with her . . . When she saw the Wolf Cubs with their 'mascot', a real live young wolf, she was delighted, and had the wolf handed up to her. It was only after she had had it in her lap and had patted and stroked it, that she asked 'Does he bite'?"

-The Scout, Feb. 3, 1956



During a recent field trip, G. E. Simmons of the Administration Department at Canadian Headquarters (left) found keen support for the Movement in Northern British Columbia. Here he is seen with Brigadier Mueser, Officer Commanding the North West Highways System with headquarters at Whitehorse, B.C. Brigadier Mueser has just completed a Troop Scouters Preliminary Course.

# Attention Stamp Collectors

We have just received a note from the Scoutmaster of Troop 6 in Syracuse, N.Y., telling us of a special Scout Cancellation to be stamped on envelopes in commemoration of "Scouting's Adventureland". Cacheted Covers will cost 15c each and the deadline is April 5th. For further information please write to Mr. Carl Johnson, 107 Kincail Ave., Syracuse 9, N.Y., U.S.A.

# Hands Across the Border

We continue to hear of many exchange visits between Canadian and American Scouts and Guides. Recently in Rock Island, Quebec, the Scout Troop and Guide Company combined to entertain American Girl Scouts from Derby Line, Vermont. The Canadians entertained their guests with Scouting games, square dancing and some very amusing movies shown by the Scoutmaster.

# Scout Brotherhood Fund

Balance at 2nd December, 195581	1,423.13
62nd Vancouver, B.C., 'A' Pack	1.52
8th World Jamboree Lost & Found Box	5.63
31st Vancouver, B.C., Scouts and Cubs	4.00
Mr. E. Frank McPhail— A.P.C. Lone Scouts	10.00
Timberlands Sub-Camp— 8th World Jamboree: Wishing Well at Jamboree	183.15
3rd Coquitlam 'Onaway' Pack, New Westminster, B.C.	1.30
222267W L.A.W. McGregor, A. M., R.C.A.F., c/o Post- master, Montreal	1.00
Boy Scouts Assoc., Saskatch- ewan Prov. Council, Trainees attending Courses	2.57
Bow River Area, Alta., Groups and Packs, Nos. 23, 42, 46, 48 and 56	11.60
Akela Preliminary Training Course, Windsor, Ont.,	
District	10.00

Payment made to Boy Scouts
Association, Barbados .... 500.65
Balance at 14 March, 1956 ... \$1,152.25

# Brave 15 Year Old Wheelchair Patient Earns Coveted Boy Scout Emblem

THEY made Billy Lawless a Scout last night.

Maybe you think that's routine? Probably hundreds of Scouts are invested every day across Canada.

But there was something different here. For Billy Lawless is bound to a wheelchair at 15 years of age. His horizons are the boundaries of the home he lives in, and even though he paints — and does a mighty good job of it too — he was lonely. Suffering from a progressive muscular dystrophy contracted when he was six and in Grade 1, and which put him in a wheelchair when he was nine, Billy had no chance to learn to read and to write.

For a long while he was listless. He didn't want to learn. Then he got interested in Scouting. Boys from First Assumption Troop of Assumption Parish stopped in to see him. They held some of their meetings at his house. That was before Christmas, about two months ago.

His lean face suffused with excitement, the boy became alive. He was interested in the Morse code and minute after minute his trembling fingers caressed the key.

He got a copy of the orange-jacketed "Tenderfoot to Queen's Scout". His patient mother sat by his side by the hour reading to him of the intricacies of Scouting and Billy concentrated. He stowed all the details away in his mind, then called his Scoutmaster.

Scoutmaster Rod Sheppard was overjoyed at results. "He passed everything, and did it genuinely," he said, "his standard was really excellent".

So last night, this boy who wanted to be a Scout sat in his wheelchair dressed in a green scouting shirt as Assumption Troop gathered in his home. There were relatives and friends there, too, along with Rev. Paul Mitchell of Assumption Parish. The boys were brought to attention by their Scoutmaster. Billy's little brother, Lorne, aged five, watched bugeyed, and his sister Lorraine, soon to be graduated from St. Vincent's Girls' School watched from the dining room door.

With a huskiness in his voice, Scoutmaster Sheppard told the boy to place his left hand on the Scout Flag and raise his right hand.

"Repeat after me," he intoned . . . "On my honour I promise to do my best."

The Scout Badge was pinned to his left breast, the New Brunswick Emblem badge to his right. A Scout hat was put on his curly, brown hair and then the serious face of Billy Lawless turned toward Father Mitchell as he read a letter from Provincial Commissioner Eli Boyaner.

"As you read this letter, Billy, I'll be flying across Canada on my way to Vancouver and a conference on Scouting . . . otherwise I would be with you on this occasion."

Billy was not the first handicapped Scout in Canada, he said.

"There are lots of boys like you in Canada learning Scout skills and taking part in the Great Brotherhood of Boys."

Patrol Leader Larry Lunney pinned on the shoulder knot which tells what Patrol Billy belongs to, and draped the troop kerchief of red, blue and yellow around his neck.

For a moment there was solemnity, then youthful spirits won out, the Troop was dismissed and they gathered round to watch television and eat sandwiches and cakes brought out by Mr. and Mrs. Lorne F. Lawless.

The ceremony at 100 Winslow Street West, was over, but for Billy Lawless, fondling his six-foot staff, symbol of his Patrol, there was happiness in the knowledge now that he was a Scout.



GOOD CONSERVATION PRACTICES
MEANS PUTTING DUTY TO GOD
INTO ACTION. WHAT PLANS HAVE
YOU MADE IN YOUR SECTION
AND GROUP?

# Results of Photographic Competition

# Scout Leader

Class A

First Prize—Mr. Alfred Muscat, St. Thomas, Ont.

Second Prize—Mr. G. Barnes, Chatham, Ont.

Third Prize—Mr. Murray Fried, Kitchener, Ont.

Class B

First Prize-No winner.

Second Prize—Mr. C. E. Nelson, Penhold, Alta.

Third Prize-No winner.

Class C

First Prize-No winner.

Second Prize—Mr. W. Powis, Ottawa, Ont.

Third Prize-No winner.

# Junior Leader

Class X

First Prize-No winner.

Second Prize—Lone Scout Florian Bernard, Montreal, P.Q.

Third Prize-No winner.

Class Y

First Prize-No winner.

Second Prize-No winner.

Third Prize—Mr. J. Taylor, Halifax Co., N.S.

Consolation Prize—Mr. P. Tilson, Willesville, Ont.

Class Z

First Prize-No winner.

Second Prize-No winner.

Third Prize—No winner.

Consolation Prize—Mr. J. Taylor, Halifax Co., N.S.

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# PSYCHOLOGY AND LEADERSHIP

By W.P.F. in The Scout Leader from Australia

PSYCHOLOGY has for me long been elusive. It is one of those words which forever plague the bad speller. There are others of the same kind such as psilanthropism, psittaceous, psorophthalmia, and the incredible ones which start with an 'x' such as xeranthemum, xerodermatic and the astounding xanthocyanopsy, all of which, as you might guess, I have copied with great care from the dictionary, and few of which, I am quite unashamed to say, can I pronounce; as for the meaning it would be even more impossible to remember than the spelling.

This all seems rather irrelevant, and I come back to psychology because there is so much of it about, like the reigning virus of the day which gives the amiable man of medicine such a dignified way of escape when he has no idea what is wrong with you. There is pretty nearly a psychology of everything; a psychology of the child, of selling, of the lesser boll weevil, of marriage, of writing, reading, weeding, mermaids and possibly wheel wobble; and so, turning to the dictionary again for help, I find, with I admit some surprise, we are in the uncomfortable country of the "science of nature, functions and phenomena of the human soul or mind." This is a sobering thought, and for my own part I'm going to have absolutely nothing more to do with it. Imagine trying to do anything with a phenomena of the human mind without stirring up something frightening.

It is perhaps a foible of our time to invest a lot of everyday problems with high-sounding titles and descriptions which, at any rate to me, have the effect of making the problem more difficult. There are plenty of illustrations of this kind of thing to be found in the daily papers, and all of us at times must have been befogged trying to trace the meaning behind the elaborate statements of some enthusiastic expert.

A day or two ago I came across this example and its translation given by a writer making war on woolly ways of expressing things, and it shows rather well how a simple statement can be made difficult to understand. Here it is: "An essential prerequisite to the adequate fulfilment of the dual functions of research and teaching is an atmosphere of freedom and progress"; and here is his translation: "Teaching and research can only be adequately carried on in an atmosphere of freedom and progress."

I'm all for the second "freedom and progress" — it's so much easier to grasp; but I must apologize for all this chattering and come on to a problem, with perhaps a slightly different background, that many of us have been interested in and trying to understand for a long time. Why do the majority of young people in their later teen ages lose interest in their clubs, associations or societies and set off in search of other and often quite different diversion? This could be called the psychology of youth, but I wouldn't know what to do with it.

A few weeks ago I was asked by Mr. Simpson, of the National Fitness Council, if I would be willing to have a chat with members of a variety of clubs at the N.F.C. camp at Christies Beach, and pass on some of our own ways and means of working out the problem of retaining the interest of older members, and in how we managed to enlist the support of parents and friends and turn this support into useful channels. It was an interesting assignment, and,

happily for the N.F.C., I was unable to do so because I had been caught by one of these popular varieties of virus which went to the voice and shot me into silence. Both the N.F.C. and I were fortunate that Tom Bond agreed to speak for me, and my part in the proceedings was limited to that of chauffeur and listener, and I listened with great interest, and have been thinking quite a bit since about what was said and the discussion which followed.

There were two topics which might be called the main topics, coming under review, and they were: (1) Retaining the interest of the senior members of the club, and (2) Enlisting the interest of parents and friends. This last to some extent was interwoven with the first in as much as it was felt that here might be found a likely recruitment field for leaders; but of this in more detail anon.

Let us look at this problem squarely and take the first one first. Here we find a great concern about losing the membership of those who are about to breast the twenties, or perhaps those who have breasted it, and with it comes a fever af activity generated by



The film of the 8th World Jamboree is receiving outstanding acclaim wherever it is shown. Each of the Provincial Capitals had a premiere of the film and in Ottawa, His Excellency Governor General Vincent Massey, C.H., Chief Scout for Canada, attended the premiere and accepted a print of the film from C. H. Brockie of the T. Eaton Co., sponsors of the film. Shown with the Chief Scout and Mr. Brockie are F. J. Finlay, Chief Executive Commissioner and R. C. Stevenson, Vice-President of the Canadian General Council of the Association.

the stalwarts ferocious with the zeal to think up more and more activities and diversions to retain and bolster what obviously is a waning interest. Where does the fault lie?

It is a very natural tendency, and an easily understood trend to mistake at times, and treat, the symptom for the complaint. A continuing headache, for instance, might temporarily, though successfully, be treated with aspirin; but the cause is the thing to be discovered, and often unfortunately is the last aspect of the case to be considered and receive serious attention.

In the instance of clubs, societies and Scouting, too, the loss of senior members, through a dwindling affection for the activities of the organization, immediately draws the spotlight beam on the programme, or the leadership, or the club rooms, or the meeting night selected, or a dozen similar considerations, as the trouble areas of their discontent. But, we must ask ourselves, are these problems real or just the symptoms of a condition not much thought about, and possibly quite remote; and if by chance they are remote, what might these conditions be?

I may be quite wrong, but at least this is what I think about it: The desire to leave an association, in earlier years found adequate and satisfying, is entirely normal and creditable. No one, for instance, desires to remain at school for a lifetime, or a university, or under indentures as an apprentice. Taking one of these, the apprentice, it has been found in industry that time after time when an apprentice comes out of his training he has the most natural inclination in the world to venture forth and test himself and his abilities in places and conditions away from the centre of his training. In fact, with many engineering firms, particularly in England, it has been a matter of policy that in their own and in the firm's interest, apprentices should leave at the graduate time, but with certainly the hope and suggestion that in the fullness of time they may think fit to return to the fold with a wider and more substantial experience, and take their place once more in the organization, not indeed as learners, but as qualified members ready and willing in their skill, and ready, too, in their turn as instructors of the apprentices who follow them.

In short it is to the credit and not to the discredit of a firm that this should happen. It is a vindication that their training has been sound and good, that they have effectively instilled techniques and craft, and have, above all, inspired a confidence in the young aspirants that gives them faith in themselves and assurance of abilities in their calling.

Isn't this trend of change and development as much to be expected, even encouraged, in the fields of voluntary endeavour, as it is in the field of industry and general education? When we are very young we accept as the nature of things, parental direction according to the mood or crankiness of the moment; but we do not academically argue the rights or wrongs of an instruction. We grow older and our lovalties attach more to an institution than to independence. This is the period of corporate effort, the gang affiliations, the football team, the school, the class and the club. It is the period of the competitive instinct at its peak, of enthusiasms for action less than enthusiasms for deliberation and analysis.

We grow older still and our interests crystallize, into more specific things. We set out to follow particular lines of study, become more selective in our choice of recreation, and more concerned with the development of personality and less with the submerging of it in the disciplines and demands of hitherto valued group associations. I am sure that much of the concern about obtaining grownup leadership can be traced to the desperate anxiety to stop the drift of older members leaving. It is vaguely felt that by some mystic power experienced adults might have the secret of retaining interest and retaining members. It is certain that the disappointments of young people trying to hold things together could be greatly tempered if it was generally understood that the wish to move on is a natural one, and indeed a proper outcome for any association dedicated to the welfare and character development of young people.

Touching now on the second topic, it can be said that we in Scouting are perhaps less harassed about the enlistment of adults because the spheres of influence covered by Scouter and committeeman are reasonably well defined, and the drawbacks of too much or too little committee help are in the main avoided. None the less, we do have our moments of concern and our cases of things going wrong.

It is a tremendous temptation for the dominant and tempestuously confident adult to take things in hand, and much of our Scouter training, as we all know, is a reiteration of the essential basic principle that Scouting is a game for boys, of boys, by boys, and not an arena for adults to show off their prowess.

Constantly we also urge that the role of committeeman is that of helper and adviser, not operator. Sometimes in our own organization, and apparently in other organizations, too, the powerful committee loses sight of this principle and comes to regard the group or club as a fitting and rather flattering backdrop for its own dramatic performance.

The actual technique of the trapping and capture of committee members could be a treatise on its own, so many are the stratagems which with varying success have been employed; but I do think that, given a clearer understanding of their encouragement value as against their organizing value, readier help might be offering in the first instance, and too ready help soft-pedalled in the second.

Strictly speaking, the title "Leader" is unfortunate, as it applies to adults technically working in the interests of young people. The good Scouter, for instance, is much more consultant and friend than anything else. The good Scouter, in fact, must strenuously resist the impulse to lead in the generally accepted sense of the word. The honour of leadership is the privilege of the young in the organization. It is from the acceptance and experience in such responsibilities that they grow in confidence and stability. It is because associations such as ours aim to assist in the production of a staunch and reliable citizenry, that we shouldn't grieve when one day we find our work is done, and our young friend saying goodbye sets out on his interesting life journey to test his training and experience in the world of men.



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# Nature Trail

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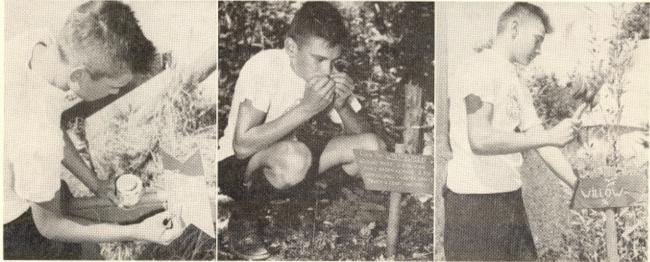
ODAY we as Canadians must learn more and more to conserve our natural resources. Our forests especially must be conserved for the future. In the past the explorers and pioneers used the forests to make themselves comfortable by hewing the trees into log cabins, tapping the maple for syrup and sugar, and using the wood for fuel for cooking, and in the severe winter the forest also kept the pioneer and his family warm. Today the forests are one of Canada's prime dollar earners. So it is easy to see that fire and disease are everyone's enemy when they strike at the timberlands of Canada. It is up to us to see that our campfire is out. Really out. Water, water and more water is the answer. Check also to see that dad puts out that cigarette before throwing it away and that the ashes from Gramp's pipe are dead. As for disease, if you own land in rural areas

either as farmers or as summer cottagers, ask your provincial government through the local branch of the Department of Lands and Forests to check your acreage for diseased trees that should come down.

One of the ways to interest your Patrol and Troop in the forests in your district is to have a nature trail in some neighbouring woodlot that has a variety of trees and shrubs. Often if you explain to one of the local farmers just what you want, you will be surprised at the co-operation you will receive, and more times than not you will find trees and plants that are not native to your province.

If you live in one of the larger Canadian cities and find it inconvenient to travel to the rural areas then try making a set of nature trail signs this winter for your summer camp next year. Perhaps one way to see what kind of signs you will need is to ski over there this week-end and have a look at the trees. If you are not sure of the trees take some pictures of them for further identification when you go home, or take along a copy of 'Native Trees of Canada' and do your identification on the spot. If you haven't got a copy, you may obtain one by sending a dollar and fifteen cents (\$1.15) to the Publications Department, Canadian Headquarters, 306 Metcalfe Street, Ottawa 4, for this excellent book.

If on the other hand you have a regular standing camp and know the trees to be found there you are well on your way to having an excellent nature trail. The first thing to do is to make a rough sketch map of the campsite and surrounding land and locate on this map the various trees and shrubs that you want to point out. Secondly list all the different trees and

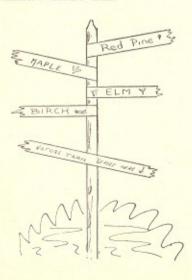


Learn Conservation by Making and Marking a Nature Trail

shrubs that you will be featuring on your trail. You will then have to start thinking about signs to label your trail. Some of the best signs are made from orange crate wood and old tent poles. George Morris of Rosedale Troop in Montreal shows how the Nature Trail was set up at Camp Tamaracouta. At the beginning of this trail a sign was burnt into the cross section of a log with a burning iron. Make sure the iron is hot, red hot and reheat before every stroke. It is the heat, not the pressure, that does the lettering. After the burning has been done use a good coat of spar varnish to seal the surface



The signs themselves are easily cut from the orange crate wood and painted a contrasting colour to stand out to be easily seen at a distance of about ten to fifteen yards. Add a little artistry to the lettering and the sign with mapping and Indian signs. There you have it—get ready for spring and next summer's nature trail.





# Conservation Corky's Column

# Is Conservation Really Important?

Did you know: That over half the population of the world is underfed by our standards.

That every second the population of the world increases by one HUNGRY human being — and that's a net increase over deaths.

That had the population of the world increased since the beginning of the Christian era at the rate it has during the last 100 years for every single person alive today there would be one million more.

That the world population today of 2½ billion will probably be 4 billion by 1980.

That of this 2½ billion well less than 20% — some put it as low as 12% — provide for themselves on a sustained yield basis. That is, well over 80 people in every 100 are using up — burning up would be a better expression — the earth's resources of soil, water, forests, grasslands and wildlife.

You may think that what goes on in the world at large is no concern of ours — we're O.K. with a fat wheat and butter surplus and plenty of everything else. Scouting is a World Wide Brotherhood — most of those underfed people are brother Scouts — or would be if their living conditions permitted it and they had ever heard of Boy Scouts.

Let's look at that wheat and butter surplus: It is estimated that in 50 years time the population of Canada will have doubled.

Only 1/6 the area of Canada seems suitable for food production

1/3 the area of Canada is used for growing trees

1/2 the area of Canada is bare wasteland or frozen tundra.

The growing population is mainly building and living in the good food production areas—thus the land available for food production will grow less as the population increases. Unless we — all of us — Canadians and citizens of the world — are more thrifty with God's gifts — there is likely to be a pretty thin time ahead for our great grandchildren — let's start doing something now — will you do your bit as a Leader? Your personal example is what your boys are going to follow — where will it lead them?

How are your Cubs making out with the feeding stations as described in the January Scout Leader? Possibly you could have a game or quiz on the number of different birds, each Cub or the Cubs in each Six were able to observe. Then you may give credit to those Cubs for their Two Star Observation test.

Have you read the story of "How Fear Came" in the Second Jungle Book. It tells the story of how the rains failed to come to the jungle and because of the shortage of water and the necessity of it for life, old Hathi the elephant declared a water truce. Then Hathi goes on to tell of the founding of the jungle, how Share Khan became a man-killer and how on one night in each year he is not afraid of man. Not only is "How Fear Came" a good yarn to tell or read at your Pack meeting, it also ties in the water conservation aspect of our National Theme.

Soon the sap of the maple will start to run. Have you ever tasted the delicious taffy made by pouring the hot syrup on snow? Why not arrange for a "sugar" party if you live in a maple tree area. Many of the farms in Quebec and Ontario as well as a few in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia have a sugar bush. There is romance and excitement to such an expedition for the white man learned the art of making maple syrup and sugar from the Indian. Needless to say, the very fact that there is something delicious to eat, will make the trip a happy one for your Cubs.



# CIVIL DEFENCE TRAINING

This is the final part on the series dealing with Civil Defence Training. We are sure you will find programme ideas in this material and would be pleased to hear how you have fitted it into your Scouting.

Blanket Stretchers. When only one blanket is available (see illustration). This gives the casualty something to lie on and also something to cover him.

Where two blankets are available, put them on like this, with the second folded in three. Then open out the folds of the second blanket at the lower end for about two feet.

Place the patient on the four thicknesses of blanket, and bring the foot of the second blanket up over the feet, tucking in a small fold between the feet.

Now bring the sides of the folds of this blanket over the feet and lower part of the legs. Tuck them in.

Turn in the upper corners of the first blanket and bring the shorter end over the patient. Then bring the longer end over and tuck in well.

Lashing Casualty to Stretcher. Whenever a casualty must be carried over uneven ground or over debris, he must be lashed to the stretcher. Clove hitches are used. Lashing should be applied to a stretcher this way. Sometimes a ladder must be used as an emergency stretcher. Lash a casualty to a ladder this way. Start above the head.

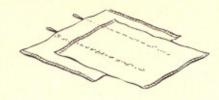
The above sketch is for a simple horizontal carry. If you have to lower the casualty through a hole in a floor or an elevator shaft, start the lashing at the foot end.

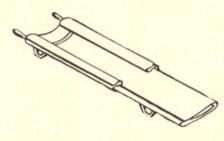
Doors, iron railings, tin roofing sheets or even planks can be used as stretchers, but none of these is suitable for vertical rescue as no suitable lashing can be done.

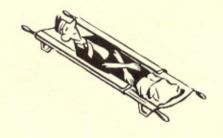
# Carrying Stretchers Over Obstacles

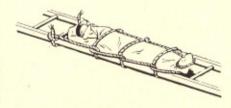
Normally, four people are needed to carry a stretcher although two are sufficient when the ground is level and there are no difficulties. Sometimes, when taking a patient over rubble or piles of debris six or eight bearers may be needed. If only four are available, and a rough passage is to be negotiated, do it this way.

Place one man at the front, one at the back and one at each side. The side bearers should take the weight while the front man gets firmly set. Then the side men go to the rear and help the back man move forward. They then support the stretcher while the back













man gets set. Repeat this motion as often as necessary.

If only two men are available, place the stretcher on the ground on its "D"s. Make sure the canvas bed is clear of rubble. The man on front takes a firm stance and the rear man raises the front end as close to horizontal as he can. Then the rear man returns to the rear end and raises the stretcher. Each obstacle should be negotiated in this manner.

Note. Bystanders can be pressed into service as bearers, but should never be allowed to act on their own without trained direction.

### FIVE STAGES OF RESCUE

No hard and fast rules can be laid down for rescue work but, generally speaking, there are five stages of rescue followed by trained rescue teams. They are:

Stage 1: Examine the site. Deal with surface casualties. Gather all possible information about other occupants.

Stage 2: Search fringes of damage area for casualties. Maintain contact with casualties inside who can be seen or heard but cannot be moved immediately.

STAGE 3: Search deeper into the collapse. Be careful.

Stage 4: Search farther into the collapse where chances of the trapped remaining alive seem remote.

Stage 5: Strip selected areas of debris until all supposed casualties are accounted for.

### Visual Aids

A Canadian film "Rescue Party" and a film strip illustrate the five stages of rescue.

# Improvisation

You don't need a lot of expensive equipment to practice rescue work. Ropes, levers, jacks and ladders are available for the asking from many sources. "Mock-ups" of wrecked houses can be created using discarded crates, boxes, sacks, etc. If the real thing comes, you'll have to improvise. Learn the tricks now.

# Do It in the Dark

To be a good rescue man you must master all the skills we've outlined in this booklet. You should be able to do them in the dark. Practice tying knots blindfolded and in cramped quarters.

In most places you can find a "Casualty Make-Up" group who'll provide realistic looking victims. Take advantage of them.

Practice whenever you can. Some day you may help to save many lives.

# PROGRAMME IDEAS

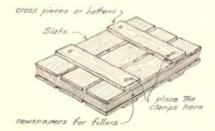
Good programmes are made from many things carefully blended according to the wishes of your boys and in consultation with them. Here are a few ideas for your discussion and thought.



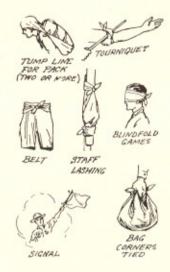
Scouts want to hike and expect leadership and inspiration in this game from their Scouters. Certainly there is no better way of accomplishing regular advancement.



As a hike objective, may we suggest that you concentrate on tree felling, with permission of course, and tracking and stalking. They are both fun and the sort of Adventure a boy joins Scouting to find.



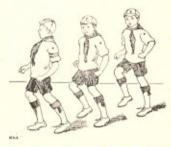
Every Troop should have a log and you might like to suggest some ideas with your Court of Honour. Here's what one Troop made for their Troop Log.



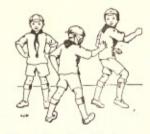
For an indoor meeting, give each Partol 5 minutes to come up with a number of different ways to use the neckerchief, hat or other part of their uniform.



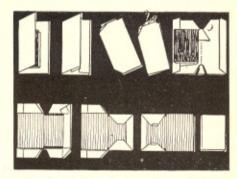
Invite a Rover Scout to visit the Troop and tell your Scouts about Rovering. It is also a good idea to have a Rover along on a hike to demonstrate some special phase of advanced outdoor training.



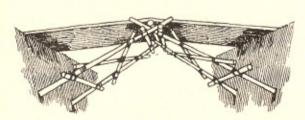
Boys love play-acting and the wise Akela will not neglect Jungle Dances both indoors and outdoors.



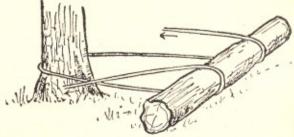
Above all remember that Cubs love games and they can help you by telling you what games they enjoy most, if only you will ask.



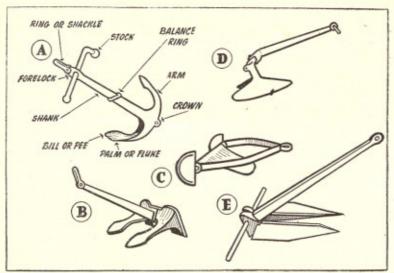
Plan to take the Pack or part of the Pack to the Library soon. There the Librarian will be happy to assist you with the Wolf Cub Reading Tests and show the boys something of the adventure awaiting them in bookland.



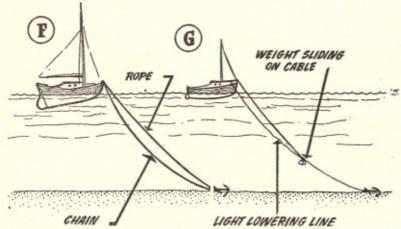
Don't overlook the thrill of pioneering. Even the most junior boy in the Troop will be able to contribute to the building of bridges and other projects with a little encouragement.



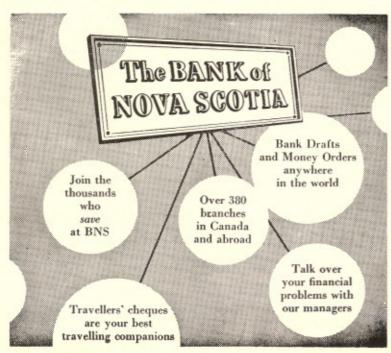
When you are out on your next Troop hike, make sure that every Scout knows how to parbuckle a log.



For those salty Sea Scouts, may we suggest a programme or two dealing with anchors and cables. First a yarn by an experienced hand and then all this information put into practice with the help of parents and a local shipbuilder or shippard.



Then it follows that the Sea Scouts, or any other Scout for that matter, should have the opportunity of putting anchor work ino practice in small craft.



# GAMES FOR YOUR NOTEBOOK

This is a blank space which might have been filled had you sent along your most popular game.

Let's make sure it is filled next month.

# Wolf Cub Game Boat Trip

This is a simple game that can be explained as you play the game because it is a combination action-story game.

Cubs are in two lines on either side of room or open space and leader is on position where he can be easily seen by each Cub.

The action-story game goes like this. C.M. "We are all going on a boatride, and here are some things you have to remember.

- (1) Row the boat-Rowing action.
- (2) Waves get bigger—Everyone half bends of knees and goes up and down.
- (3) Clap of thunder—Everyone lies stomach-down on floor.
- (4) Lightning flash Everyone changes places on opposite side of room or space.
- (5) Hit a sunken rock—Everyone runs together and hugs in centre of room or space and sinks to floor.
- (6) Swim for shore—Swimming action.
- (7) Rowing boat—Normal rowing action.

The C.M. proceeds to tell the story of a row boat off shore going for a ride out into lake, wind gets up, lake gets rougher, thunder claps, lightning strikes, head for shore, hit a rock, boat sinks, swim for shore.

Leader and Cubs all go through actions. Cubs taking time from leader. Purpose

Fun, active, imaginative, steam off game, controlled!

# Duty to God in the Rover Scout Crew

Our Promise of Duty to God is indeed of paramount importance, and one most likely to be neglected by young men of Rover Scout age, unless they are properly encouraged. Certainly it will help if meetings are opened and closed with prayers, and we also include a brief Scripture reading in our opening ceremony in our Crew. On Sunday in camp, a Rover's Own service should be held, and if possible, the Crew should attend a service in the nearest church of their denomination (if the Crew is of one denominationwhich is not too likely, since Crews are not yet numerous). Our Crew joins with the Troop and Pack for a parade to the Church, which is our sponsoring institution, twice each year. The leader should set an example of regular Church attendance, and the young men will soon follow. Members of the Crew who are regular churchgoers can invite their brother Rovers to go to Church with them. There are very strong religious implications in the Vigil and in the Investiture Ceremony, of which any young man should be aware when he goes through these important steps. Grace should be said before meals in camp, and this is perhaps one of the most obvious ways of emphasizing our Duty to God, yet how easily it can be forgotten in the midst of last minute preparations. Last, but by no means least, I would mention the influence of the world of creation in leading our thoughts to its Creator. The beauty of forest and stream, the magnificent splendour of the starry skies at night are ample evidence of the glory of God, who created all things. These experiences may be shared by all who camp out. Through these various means the Rover Scout should come to know, love, and serve his Lord.

> Robert H. Lang, Waterdown, Ontario.

Have you written Part 1 of the Wood Badge Course? Ask your Provincial Headquarters for details and then plan to help yourself and your boys by taking training.

# **Duty to God and Leadership**

We must continually remind ourselves that Duty to God comes first in the Cub, Scout and Rover Promise. Therefore, because of its importance in the education of our boys; Commissioners, Scouters and Group Chaplains are urged to do their best to put across the need for religious teaching and active participation in the activities of the boys' particular faith.

That Scouting is fundamentally spiritual was repeatedly emphasized by the Founder. As Scouters it is our duty to make sure that every religious leader with whom we come in contact, and more especially those who have boys in our section of the Movement, know what Scouting is and how it can be used by their religion.

Let's determine now to do our best to create a happy relationship between our religious leaders and the Movement.

# THE "BOY SCOUT" HYMN



Help me to keep my honour shining bright,

May I be loyal in the hardest fight, Let me be able for my task, and then, To earn a place among my fellow men.

Open mine eyes to see the things I should,

That I may do my daily turn of good, Let me be ready, waiting for each need To keep me clean in thought and word and deed.

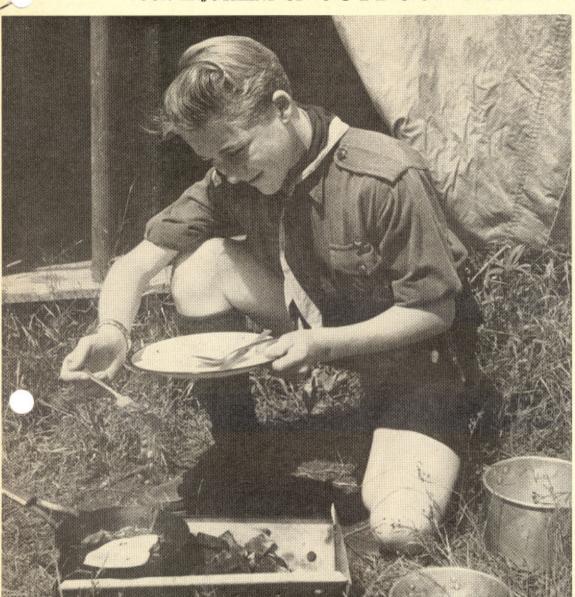
So as I journey on my chosen way, In all I do, my thought my work my play,

Grant as I promise, courage new for me To be the best, the BEST that I can be. THE BOY SCOUTS 1956 CATALOGUE

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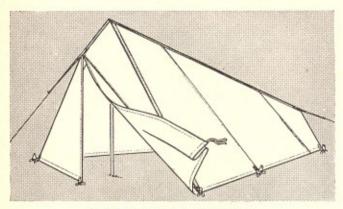
Here's a suggested list of items you may want along on hikes and at camp. Naturally, you're not going to need them all. But whatever you select—choose the best. Make sure it has been approved by Headquarters.

Scout Field Cap
Regulation 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
Toilet Kit
Flashlight
Scout Axe & Case
Waterbottle Dinnerware Set
Eating Set
Sleeping Bag
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Camp Mirror
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Spy Glass
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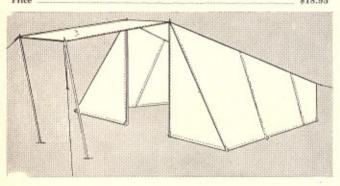
# YOUR BEST BUY -- OFFICIAL **BOY SCOUT TENTS**

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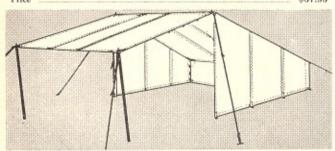
Overnighter Tent-Lightweight

An easy-to-use tent that has plenty of space for three 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—4% lbs. Poles and pegs are not provided.



Camper Tent-Lightweight

Patterned after the famous Baker Tent, this roomy three-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 repellant finish. Tent is 7' deep, 9'4" wide, ridge height 6', rear wall 23", weight 6'½ lbs. Provides better than 30 square feet of floor space per hoy. Complete with two aluminum poles and set



Baker Tent-10 oz. Army Duck

Baker 1cnt—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.

\$59.95

## Tent Pegs

Your camp equipment should al-ways include extra tent pegs for replacement purposes. Made from selected hardwood.

selected hardwood.
Price per dozen, 9"
Price per dozen, 12"
Price per dozen, 15"
Price per dozen, 18" \$1.25 \$1.50 \$1.75 \$2.00

# Camp Bed Tick

Will solve the problem of sleeping at camp. Made from drill with open-ing for filling with straw or other bedding material. Size 3' wide and 6'6" long complete with pillow case. Weight unfilled 1½ lbs.

Price

No need to worry about mosquitoes and other insects if you have one of these canopies. White cheese cloth of 30" width, length 6' and height 40".

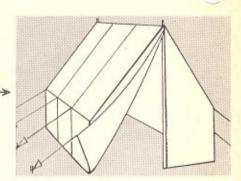
# LIGHTWEIGHT TENTAGE

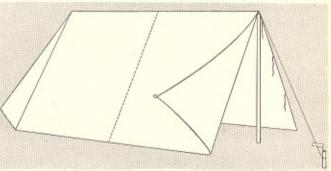
Featured on this page are two lightweight tents, the "Overnighter" and the "Camper", both made of specially treated high count cotton fabric with a remarkable water repellant factor. Each is designed to provide adequate, dry, comfortable shelter for two or three boys. These lightweight tents are recommended for short term camping. Where tents are intended for long term camping we recommend the "Wall" or "Baker" design also illustrated on this page.

### Scout Tent

A serviceable and well constructed "Wall" style tent affording ample room for one adult or two boys. Made from tan canvas duck treated to be water and mildew proof. Length about 7'6", width 5', height 5' and side walls 2'. An excellent tent for use of the Camp Leader,

Price, complete with poles \$18.95

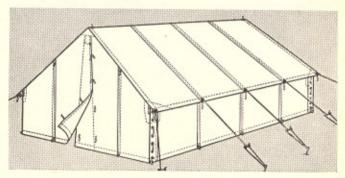




Pup Tent

Affords splendid cover for two boys or an adult. Can be securely closed in front for extra protection from wind or rain. Made from khaki drill, length 6', over-all length 8', width 4'4" and height 3'4". Poles are jointed for easy packing. Weight about 6 lbs. An excellent tent for that overnight hike or canno trip.

Price (with poles and pegs) \$7.95



Wall Tent—8 oz. Duck

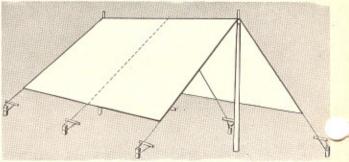
As a sleeping and general utility tent the "Wall" tent has no equal and will accommodate several boys or adults according to its size. Ample head room is provided while reefing side walls can be rolled up to permit easy ventilation. Made from 8 ounce Duck which has been thoroughly waterproofed and in 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

\$41.95

Price, size 9' x 12' with 3' wall

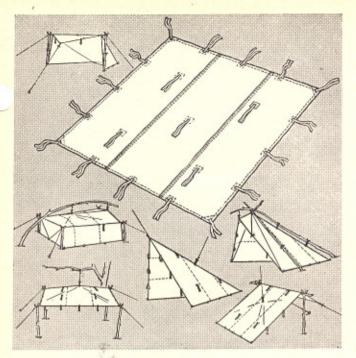
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Kitchen or Dining Shelter

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) \$43.95



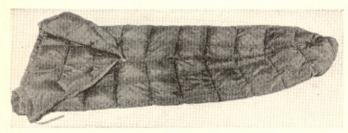
# Tarp Tent-Lightweight

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 makes an excellent kitchen or dining shelter. Has 21 tie tapes securely stitched to the fabric. Made from tough wearing cotton with a water repellant finish. Weight is 4½ lbs. Poles and pegs are not provided.



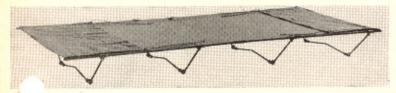
# Camper Sleeping Robe

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. Ouilted to hold insulation from shifting. Has pillow attached. Zipper opening. Handy carrying or storage bag. Size 34" x 72". Weight 6 lbs.



### Nylon (Feather Filled) Sleeping Robe

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



# Safari Camp Bed

This well-known Camp Bed is recognized the world over as being, for its extreme lightness, the strongest and most comfortable Camp Bed available. Frame is made of tempered rust-proof steel with solid alloy fittings and with rubber "feet" to prevent slipping. Canvas has been specially selected for strength and for durability. Length 6', width 30", height 8\%" and weight 10 lbs. Bed and supports fold together in compact form for easy carriage or storage.

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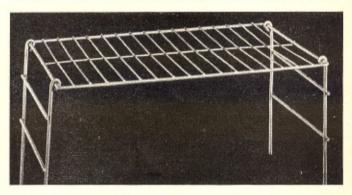


# Camp Stove and Grill

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%", depth 13\%", weight 9 lbs. Shipped in special container giving directions for assembly.

Price



## Camp Cooking Grid

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



# Camp Blanket

Of first quality all wool. Attractive Scout Green colour, ideal for camp or home use. Size 56 x 75 inches, weight  $2\frac{1}{2}$  lbs. Highly recommended. Price ....

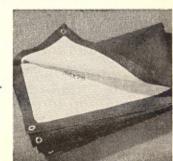
Blanket Pins

Four inch steel pins, per set of 6.

# Camp Ground Sheet

Specially made for Scout use from black thoroughly water-proofed rubber. Size 36 x 78 inches finished with metal grommets at corners. Weight 2¾ 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

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 Fatrol needs.

Price, complete as illustrated

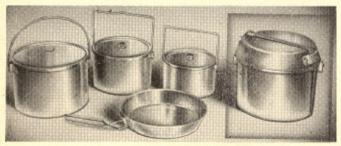
\$17.75

Price, extra cups, each

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Price, extra plates, each

.50



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



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

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. In-cludes a pot fork, meat slicer, spatula, fruit knife, basting spoon, ladle and potato peelers in handy roll-up case. Price \$5.95



# Individual Eating Set

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

# 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 resist-ant 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 protect-ing 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. keepers. Price



Camp Water Bucket
Wedge shape that avoids spilling.
Made throughout of high grade waterproof canvas. Capacity 10 pints.
Weight 6½ ounces.
\$1.95 \$1.95



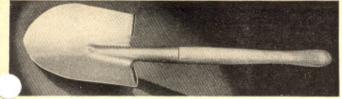




# Aluminum Plate and Cup

Constructed from heavy gauge, durable aluminum, these unbreakable items are always a "must have" for camp use. Light in weight and easily packed for carrying nursons carrying purposes. Price, per Plate and Cup

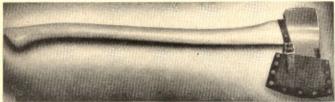




### Camp Shovel

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

Price

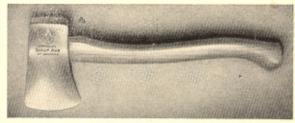


Camp Felling Axe

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 3½ lbs.

Price

# Check these important items on your "want" list.



### Official Hand Axe

Official Hand Axe

Fashioned from top quality steel with keen cutting edge. Dog-leg andle of finished hardwood. Patented wedge keeps blade securely attached. A well balanced axe for camp and home use.

\$2.95 handle

Hand Axe Sheath

Made from high grade polished leather to fit over blade of the Official Hand Axe. Has loops for attaching to Scout belt. Play safe by carrying your axe in this sheath.



# ine "Bergan" Rucsac

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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 \$4.08

Price



### The "Junior" Rucsac

Here it is Scouts, a specially im-ported ruesac designed for comfort and utility. Constructed from excellent quality waterproof canvas in grey tone. Has three outside pockets with leather binding and strap fasteners. Main sack measures 18 x 14 inches. Frame is of tubular steel. Adjustable carrying straps are padded for protection of shoulders. Weight 3½ lbs. An ex-cellent rucsac for the Boy Scout. \$18.95



# The "Rambler" Compass

This newest Silva air compass has in-duction dampened needle providing faster and more accurate direction find-ings. An excellent compass for all-round use. Instructional booklet provided. \$2.95



# Waterbottle

Clean, stainless aluminum. Light in weight and of about 1 qt. capacity. With cover and carry-ing strap as illustrated. \$3.50



# Scout Hike Bag

A splendid rucsac 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 % lb.

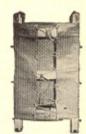
82.85



# 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



# Pack Board

While primarily intended to form part of the famous Nelson Pack 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 18 x 25 inches. Weight 3 lbs. Price \$8.95 Price

\$8,95



# Camp Dunnage Bag

If you are journeying to camp by car, bus or train then the best method for carrying your personal equipment to and from camp is the Dunnage Bag. Made from waterproof duck with throat for complete coverage and carrying strap. Length 36", diameter 12", weight 1½ lbs.



# Bushman Saw

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

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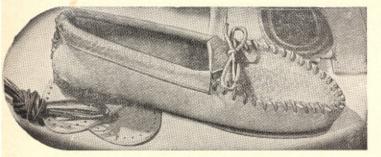


# Forester Folding Saw

Compact, lightweight, safe folding saw with 12" blade of Swedish char-coal steel, polished birch handle, Blade locks in open or closed posi-

Price

# This summer get OUTDOORS and have fun



# Moceasin Kit

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

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# Spinning Rope

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



# Guard Rope

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



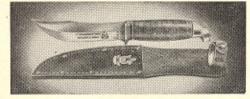
# Delta Lantern

Sturdy plastic case mounted on metal base with swivel action. Has 800 foot piercing spot beam. Excellent for camp and home use. Price with battery. \$5.45 Extra battery for above ...95



# Flint and Steel Set

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



# Official Woodcraft Knife

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

Price

\$3.95

# Sharpening Stone

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

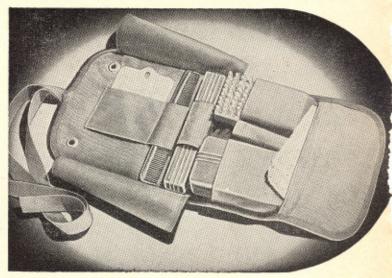
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### Sandals

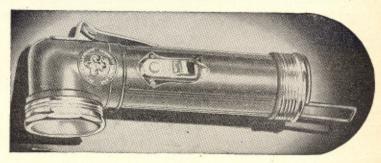
Why not give your feet a holiday now and then by wearing sandals whenever you can at camp or on your summer vacation. You'll find them the most comfortable footwear ewer. Available in small, medium, large and extra large



## Toilet Kit

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

Price. \$3.45



# Flashlight

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

Price
Price
Extra battery for above, each
\$2.85
Extra battery for above, each
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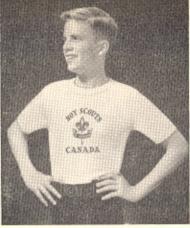
# Match Box

Seamless brass, nickel-plated finish. Rubber gasket and ring for attach-ing to belt or chain. Guaranteed watermoof waterproof.

# Spy Glass

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





Official T-Shirts for Boys and Leaders

T-Shirts are a "must have" for camp, that summer cottage and for general wear in hot weather. Made from good quality white ribbed cotton with short ¼ length sleeves and crew-neck, and with the official badge processed on front as illustrated.

Boys' sizes,	small,	medium,
large	-	\$1.25
Leaders' siz		all, \$1.50

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

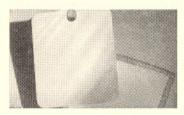




Official Swim Trunks

Slim, trim swim trunks of quick drying material with official crest. The famous "Klingtite" trunks—the choice of swimmers across Canada. Elastic waist band with drawstring and inside support. Smart green colour with yellow side piping. Waist pocket with zipper opening. Great for camp and swimming at lake or pool. Official Crest.

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Camp Mirror

Unbreakable mirror of highly polished nickel-plated heavy gauge steel. Campers find this indispensable for outdoor use. Contained in special cover.

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### New Poncho-Raincoat

This practical wet-weather outer garment is constructed to give the kind of overall protection you want in the outdoors. Made from a light rubber-proofed fabric, approximately 7 ft. x 3 ft. and weighs only 1½ lbs. The sides fasten together with press studs to form a complete waterproof garment and when not in use as a Raincoat makes an excellent ground-sheet.

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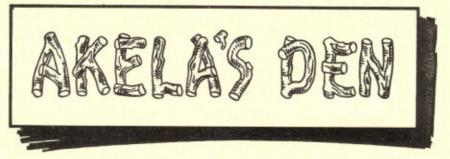
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# A FLOOD OF MEMORIES

By MRS. C. R. MILLIKEN, 4th Sarnia, Ontario Pack

Now is the time to start thinking about what you and your Cubs are going to do about a Pack Holiday. When you have discussed it with your Assistants, why not call a meeting of Parents and ask for their ideas and assistance. Will you have a "Flood of Memories" this year?

evening we met at the church. The boys bubbling with excitement, faces and hands clean, uniforms pressed, shoes shining, everyone talking at once, what they will do, how many batteries they have for the flashlights they are blinking on and off. Piles of bedrolls neatly tied, a few cameras, a lot of friendly jostling and shouting.

The leaders, checking the boys names from a list as they arrive, admiring the flashlights and cameras, answering endless questions on every subject from how cold the water will be, to the exact moment when camp will end. Assuring the parents that Johnnie will be well cared for, that yes the food is excellent, the sleeping accommodation is wonderful, the swimming is fine, of course, there will be a nurse in Camp and a doctor on call and please rest assured because the leaders are all competent.

The parents standing in small groups glad their boys have reached camping age but a little apprehensive too. Are the leaders all competent? Is the swimming well supervised? Will the food be well cooked? Will Joe be homesick? Maybe he should have waited another year. It's too late now, he's really going.

The Group Committee, looking after the baggage, assigning the boys to the waiting cars, calm and quiet in the knowledge that all arrangements necessary to a good camp have been made and all will be well.

Cars are loaded, baggage stowed in the truck, shouted "Good byes", parents standing watching and we are off. "Someones in the Kitchen with Dinah", "Where oh Where is Sweet Little Susie", "I am a Happy Wanderer", much excited laughter and shouting and we have arrived at the Camp Site. Tents are assigned, leaders supervise the filling of ticks and the making of camp beds. More laughter, more singing, more shouting, much more talking and finally quiet.

Morning, the ground wet with dew, the cold water on your hands and face, setting up exercises. "We are the Black, Red, Brown, and White Six. For health and strength and daily food we give Thee thanks, Oh Lord" . . . Breakfast, flag break, camp duties, games, swimming, dinner, rest, a hike, handcrafts, more swimming, supper and then the first Campfire.

The smell of wood smoke, the cool evening air, a blanket, a log to sit on, singing, laughter at skits we all know so well yet love to see again and again. The camp log. More singing and a story, and all the magic that is camp seems to settle around us.

Morning again, the same glorious feeling of pure joy at being alive and well and at camp. More camp duties. More wonderful meals, more games,



Many Scouters have made campfire blankets and it is one sure way of keeping all those mementoes of past camps and at the same time showing your boys something of the wide brotherhood of Scouting. One of the best campfire blankets we have seen is that owned by Mrs. Dorothy Collins, a Cubmaster of a Handicapped Pack in Vancouver, B.C. The illustration does not do it justice for the colours are truly beautiful.

more swimming, another campfire and when we wake it is Sunday. Special breakfast, flag break and Cubs Own in the Outdoors, the old loved hymns, the simple small boy prayers, the Shepherds Psalm and the re-telling of the story of the Good Samaritan, Sunday dinner, one last hike, one last swim, packing, supper.

The cars are here, here is the truck. We are on our way "Someones in the Kitchen with Dinah", "Ging Gang Gooly," The end of a Wolf Cub Day," and much talking and we are back at the Church.

The boys still bubbling with excitement, faces and hands fairly clean, uniform slightly wrinkled, shoes dusty, some tanned, some a little sunburned, all talking at once. What they did, wasn't it fun, remember! Piles of bedrolls not so neat now, flashlights whose batteries have long since worn out, treasured bits of stone, a feather, a piece of handcraft.

The leaders checking the boys names from a list and turning them over to their parents, answering endless questions.

The parents glad to see Johnnie home. He looks so well and so happy. Let's go home, shouted "good byes" see you at the next Pack meeting.

The Group Committee unscrambling the piles of luggage, putting pack equipment away, thanking those kids who helped and going home with the satisfaction of a job well done.

The Leaders sit on the Church steps. The Cubs have left. The Group Committee has gone, there is a strange quiet. They are exhausted, was it worth the effort? They look at each other and smile, wearily, gather their own luggage together and head for home. Good Hunting, See you at the next Pack Meeting.

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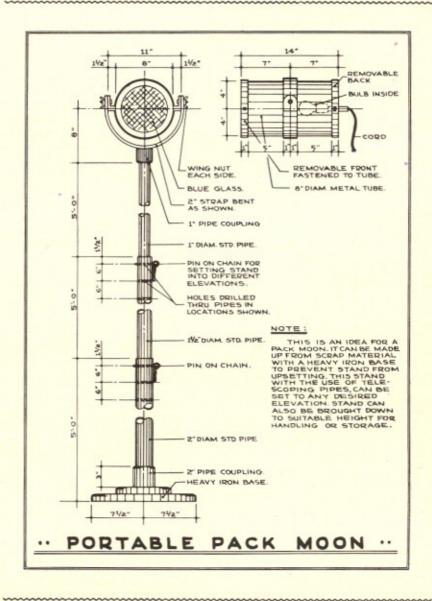
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# 40th Anniversary of the Wolf Cub Programme

You will remember that one of the challenges given to all Akelas was to include more Jungle Atmosphere in their Pack meetings. Below is a portable Moon which was designed by Mr. Ted Pickering, President of the Winnipeg, Man., Akela Club. Perhaps this is just what you are looking for, or on the other hand, maybe you have an idea you would like to pass along to others. How do you put across Jungle Atmosphere in your Pack? Do send your ideas along to the Editor so that they can be shared with others. This is the prime purpose of your magazine.





# 2nd Canadian Rover Scout Moot

Sussex, New Brunswick August 29 - September 3, 1956

This article has been specially prepared by the New Brunswick Travel Bureau and we are grateful to its Director, Mr. R. A. Tweedie.

Will your Crew be represented at this Adventure in Rovering?

R AISING of a "tent city" on the outskirts of Sussex, New Brunswick, for the 2nd Canadian Rover Moot next August will be nothing new for this dairy town nestled in the rolling farmlands of central Kings county.

For years Sussex has been closely connected with military activities and the presence of a tented encampment is old stuff to its hospitable citizens. At Camp Sussex, men of two world wars received training in preparation for battle and, in the intervening years and since, the camp has been the summer training site for members of the Reserve Force.

The sudden appearance of hundreds of unfamiliar faces and the mushrooming of a new "suburb" overnight won't come as a surprise to residents of Sussex. The surprise will be to the visitor who discovers the scenic grandeur of the countryside and the friendliness of its people. Located in the picturesque Kennebecasis Valley, Sussex (midway between Saint John and Moncton) is the hub of the largest and richest dairying area of the province: the Sussex brand butter and ice cream are in demand from all parts of New Brunswick.

Within the town of Sussex are several manufacturing plants and the sparkling mineral water from the nearby spring is widely known.

Sussex, reputed to be one of the prettiest and cleanest towns in the Maritime Provinces, has plenty of recreational facilities: there's the nine-hole Sussex Golf Course, harness racing and baseball. The community centre of the town — Kings County Stadium and Legion Memorial Hall, gets year-round use and of the many events staged there the annual cattle fair, flower festival and Canadian Legion

Fall Rally coincide with the dates of the Rover Moot.

Although the camp will close officially on Sunday, Sept. 2, plans are being made for a number of special tours on Sept. 3, when the delegates will break up into groups, according to choice, and visit other points of interest in southern New Brunswick.

An interesting sidetrip from Sussex is the Dutch Valley Drive to the Waterford district. Here may be seen the ice crypts where rifts in the rock formation keep ice in the crevices throughout the summer months.

From Sussex it's less than an hour's drive by way of Routes 2 and 14 to Fundy National Park, New Brunswick's newest summer recreation centre. One of the main attractions of the park is the outdoor swimming pool: salt water is pumped from the nearby Bay of Fundy, heated and filtered before entering the pool. There are plenty of camping sites here too.

Beyond the Park along the shores of Chignecto and Shepody Bay lies Hopewell Cape. Here are the curious rock formations known as the Sentinels and the Caves. Giant columns of rock guarding the mouths of natural caverns have been hewn out of the soft red sandstone by the erosive action of the Fundy tides. One of the columns, atop which grows a good-sized tree has been characterized by Robert L. Ripley of "Believe It or Not" fame as the largest flower pot on earth.

Flowing into the head of Shepody Bay is the Petitcodiac — the river that is without water through the half of each day. At low tide, it is an indifferent stream meandering over broad, muddy flats. But with the coming of the tide, the river is transformed into a navigable stream, covering the muddy bed with 30 feet of water.

The reason for this sudden change? - the tides of the Bay of Fundy are the highest in the world, and, converging on the narrow banks of the Petiteodiac, force the incoming tide waters into the narrow channel under tremendous pressure. This results in a bore of water that sweeps 20 miles up the river past Moncton, until it spends itself and is overcome by the natural downstream current of the river. Seeing the "Tidal Bore" in action is a thrill long to be remembered. Still another oddity in the Moneton district and a "must" for any visitor is Magnetic Hill, where cars coast uphill — backward.

But seeing New Brunswick again—
at home or around the Scout Council
fire through the medium of pictures
taken on the spot— is yet another
experience for you and one of particular interest to your friends so bring
a camera. Snapshots of some of the
most scenic and unusual spots on the
North American continent will certainly complement your pictorial evidence of the 2nd Canadian Rover Moot.



In the photo at the top of this article is shown the amphitheatre, one of the many outstanding attractions of Fundy National Park. In the photo above are a group of visitors enjoying midday lunch in the spacious National Park.

# Pte. Claire Scouts in on "Armed Robbery" Jan. 19

N a recent Thursday evening a Scout Troop and their Leader, Howard Patch, were about to open a meeting in Pointe Claire's Scout Hall. Suddenly an unfortunate incident occurred and the following is the best description available. It is by Scout Paul Sheridan.

"The incident took place in the Scout Hall in Pointe Claire. It was Thursday, January 19th, 1956. Mr. Patch, the Scoutmaster, had not come in his uniform because he had to go to Ottawa right after the meeting. The meeting was a routine one and we were taking instruction at the end of the hall away from the door.

"About 8.15 two masked men entered the hall, one going to one side of the door and the other going to the other side. The man that entered first was tall, had a black mask concealing his nose and mouth, and was carrying a .45 automatic in his left hand. The other man was shorter and had a white mask concealing his nose and mouth. He held his hands in his pockets as if he also had a gun in his pocket.

"The larger man with the nasty tone told Mr. Patch to give him the atomic plans he was taking to Ottawa. Mr. Patch then wanted to know how they knew. The man told him that he had ransacked his office and found out. They then told him to hand over the plans or they would shoot. Then Mr. Patch walked to the back of the hall, walked back halfway and threw the plans to them. The shorter man bent over and picked up the envelope, opened it and found what he wanted.

"Pushing open the door and backing out the larger man said, "All right now, no heroics." They turned and ran. The Scoutmaster, Mr. Patch, then revealed to the troop that it was all planned just to see what Scouts would do in a crisis. He also told them that the tall man had a real gun. Each patrol then had to write on one part of the incident. The meeting finished without any further excitement."

It is by methods such as the foregoing that Scouter, Howard Patch and other Scout Leaders are developing the powers of observation and the abilities to react to unusual situations in Canada's youth.

-Point Claire Lakeshore News, Que.

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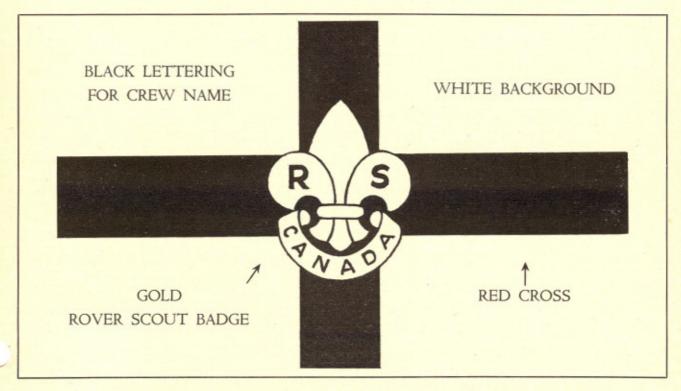
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# SOIL CONSERVATION IN CANADA

This is a series of extracts from a publication of one of Canada's largest Pulp and Paper manufacturers who, as you may know, are very conscious of the need for Soil Conservation. There is interesting material here for a yarn to the Pack, Troop and Crew on the need for soil conservation.

UCH of our conservation thinking has been identified with soil conservation. Soil is the basis of our economy and our ability to live happily in the environment we call home depends largely upon the management of our soils. There seem to have been two philosophies developed in teaching soil conservation, however. One preaches a philosophy that through the ages man has always been a destroyer and that he probably will continue to be with the inevitable result that in the end he will ruin the land on which he lives and face starvation, poverty and death. The records of history support that view in many ways and the present practices in many parts of the world support it. Men still live who are proud of the fact that they have "worn out" more than one farm or killed the last duck or deer in the vicinity or caught the last fish out of a stream. It is true that we have lost and are still losing enormous amounts of valuable soil by erosion, by water and wind and by one-crop agriculture that does not give the soil the chance to restore its values.

Fortunately, there is another philosophy which is not so gloomy and fatalistic. We know that we can manage our soils in such a way that they are better than they have been. We know that while we may lose valuable soils by erosion, we can also build valuable top soil by growing suitable plants and by reasonable fertilization. In America, we have brought beaver and deer back in numbers that are encouraging. In some areas, we are restoring our soils similarly. The destroyer cannot live happily. The hoarder cannot possibly be as happy as the builder, the one who makes his environment better than it was before him. To live happily, so far as soils are concerned, we must build soils as well as save those we have.

It has been said that it takes 500 years for nature to make an inch of topsoil, but man rarely lets nature do all the work. Rather, we help nature to work for us and there are those who seem to have demonstrated that they can, by management, convert a half-inch of subsoil into a good topsoil in a year.

Our school program should possibly recognize three ways of attacking the soil conservation story. We should recognize that man has and is wasting great quantities of topsoil that form the basis of our social economy. We should recognize that with reasonable procedures, we can cut down the drain on our natural reserves of useful soils and can live longer on those reserves by such practices than we could be doing as we have done in the past. Thirdly, we should recognize that we can build our reserves of useful topsoil that is the basis of our whole agricultural economy and that such a procedure probably is our only hope of living happily ever after.

Points which teachers will wish to emphasize in the management of soils may be the following. How this may be developed is shown later.

As shown by sections of the earth surface in road cuts or stream banks, the soils exposed at the surface to weathering, to air and water differ from the soils beneath in color and in texture. The darker topsoils are usually mixed with plant and animal remains and absorb water more readily than other soils. Soils differ in color, in temperature, in texture, in origin, in the life they can support and in other ways.

When water is added to soil on the ground or in a glass jar, much of the fine earthy and organic material rises into the water and may be carried away if the water moves. Soils may, therefore, lose some of their elements if water moves freely over them. Water moves more freely over bare soils than over soils covered with vegetation.

Lime added to clay soils tends to make the soils form into little units that do not cake so readily into hard, impenetrable plates in which plants cannot thrive. Mud pies made of clay, and of clay and lime break differently if dropped. Lime added to muddy waters may have a clearing effect so far as the clay particles are concerned. Lime, therefore, may affect some soil favourably for agricultural purposes. Other chemicals may also affect the nature of soils by their presence or absence. Students may study the effect of salt or alkali on soils if the locality is such that these create a problem. Students may discover that soils may occur in layers with the chemical nature of adjacent layers differing greatly.



Throughout Canada we are hearing of Specialization Courses for Scouters, designed to help them put across our Conservation theme. This picture was taken at a course in Windsor, Ont. Several Conservation authorities have offered their help and others are waiting to be asked.

By careful farming, one layer may be used and the layer beneath avoided. By unwise irrigation and farming, soils which have been useful may be made useless because of the nature of underlying layers of soil. This may be particularly true of layers rich in alkali or salt or, in some parts of the world, because of permanently frozen subsoils.

Farm practices designed to let air, water and organic materials enter subsoils are likely to contribute to the development of additional topsoil. Air, water and organic material may be mixed with subsoil in part by cultivation, in part by vigorous growth of healthy plants made aggressive by proper management, and by the activities of such animals as earthworms, some insects and even microscopic animals. The microscopic life, both plants and animals, found in a healthy soil does much to change poor subsoil into rich topsoil.

Soil management consists primarily of letting in air, water and organic material, of holding desirable soils in position so that they are not lost by moving water or wind, of crop rotation that permits the soil to recover after certain crops have taken some materials from the soil, of growing on the soil plants which will restore nitrogen, particularly to nitrogen exhausted soil (the clovers are excellent for this). Soil management also calls for returning to the soil rich manures of domestic animals where this is possible and of avoiding overgrazing that may remove the protective plant cover that holds soils in place, holds moisture and modifies temperatures suitably. One of the recommendations of the 1952 Caracas meeting of the International Union for the Protection of Nature called particular attention to the abuse of soils by overgrazing of domestic animals, particularly goats, that remove plant cover too closely to the soil surface. Sheep might be considered as being almost as destructive as goats in this connection.

The management of soils calls for intelligent activities on the part of men if the soils are to continue to increase their yield. This requires an understanding of the nature of soils and the proper use of this understanding. It calls for an understanding of the relations of soils to plants and to animals as well as to the ordinary physical phenomena. Proper management yields gratifying rewards to all.

> from: "A Guide to Conservation" E. Laurence Palmer.



BOOK REVIEWS

Sukanabi By D. R. King. Price \$3.25. Publisher: Longmans Green & Company, Toronto.

Librarians, publishers and the men and women who work with youngsters have clearly established that boys do want good reading material and that thrilling adventure yarns are still high on their list of preferences. This yarn is about a boy and his friends in the early days of our country. It is the kind of adventure any boy would like to live and through the understanding pen of the author it will be possible for many boys to re-live the high adventure of this book. Don King has been a Scouter for a number of years and is presently an active Cubmaster in High River, Alberta. His knowledge of what boys want to read is clearly evident in the smooth-flowing style of this book. He writes convincingly of the Spitzee country of southern Alberta and the high adventure that took place there in the early history of Canada and the United States of America. His portrait of Rene Courteau, the voyageur, and White Calf, the hero's Indian boy friend, are very convincing. The title of the book is the Indian name given to the boy hero of the story by his Indian friends.

This excellent yarn by Akela King is highly recommended for older Cubs, Scouts and anyone else who enjoys a good adventure yarn. We would be pleased to order copies of this book for any of our readers.

Outdoors By Peter McGillen. Price 83.50. Publisher: The Ryerson Press.

From the age of 5 Pete McGillen has loved and lived a great deal of his life in the outdoors. Combining his vocation and avocation he has become the only Outdoors Editor of a large metropolitan daily newspaper. He has travelled extensively throughout the North American Continent learning about the outdoors and, combining this with the careful research of a trained

newspaperman, he has given us a book packed with valuable outdoor information. If you want to know about salmon fishing in British Columbia or where and how to catch speckled trout in eastern Canada this is the book for you. If you are looking for extra hints on living in the outdoors to pass on to senior Scouts and Rovers, you will find a few hours spent with Pete Mc-Gillen and his book will give you invaluable assistance. Finally, it should be mentioned that Pete McGillen, like many natural outdoorsmen, is very keen about Conservation and his hints on this subject will be useful in the promotion of our Conservation Theme in 1956.

Shall We Join the Ladies? By Eric Nicol. Price \$2.50. Publisher: The Ryerson Press.

While it would be very difficult and probably quite unnecessary to try to define Canadian humour, there will be little argument that Eric Nicol is one of the outstanding Canadian writers of humour today. This little book contains a series of one-chapter sketches calculated to help you forget the mountain of worries you are carrying around on your shoulders. For anyone who would like to sit down for an hour or two of pure entertainment we recommend this book of rollicking humour. Added to Mr. Nicol's very capable writing are some wonderful illustration by Mr. James Simpkins, creator of Jasper of Maclean's magazine.

100 Ideas for Outdoor Pack Meetings. Available from The Stores Department, Price 20c.

This is the latest of the Scouter's Books to be added to our library. It contains 100 ideas on wide games, star work and badges, camps and expeditions, and other activities. Other ideas can be developed from the basic suggestions. An appealing feature of the book is that many of the ideas use the imaginative background of other themes as well as the Jungle theme.

# HEADQUARTERS NOTICES

His Excellency the Right Honourable Vincent Massey, C.H., Governor-General of Canada, in his capacity as Chief Scout for Canada, is pleased to announce the following Honours and Awards on the occasion of the anniversary of the birthday of Lord Baden-Powell of Gilwell, Founder of the Boy Scouts Movement, February 22nd, 1956.

# Cornwell Scout Badge-2

An exceptional award in respect of pre-eminently high character and devotion to duty, together with great courage, endurance or gallantry.

Scout Ronald Keith Human, 16—1st Morden Troop, Morden, Manitoba.

For his remarkable Scout-like determination and fortitude.

Scout Peter Drummond Fraser, 12—12th New Glasgow Troop, New Glasgow, Nova Scotia.

For his remarkable Scout-like determination and fortitude.

### Silver Wolf-3

For Services of Exceptional Character

Mr. L. W. Anderson, Outremont, Quebec.

Mr. H. B. Greenaway, Toronto, Ontario.

Major-General A. C. Spencer, C.B.E., E.D., CD., LLD, D.Litt.S., B.A.Sc., London, Ontario.

# Silver Acorn-5

For Distinguished Service

Mrs. A. E. Standing, Toronto, Ontario.

Mr. Edward T. Buchanan, Shawinigan Falls, Quebec.

Dr. A. L. Cornish, New Westminster, British Columbia.

Mr. A. Stuart Knight, Strathmore, Quebec.

Mr. W. G. Murrin, Vancouver, British Columbia.

# Bronze Cross-2

For Gallantry with Special Heroism

(Posthumous)

Cub Ronald Ruddick, 11—5th Lion's Cobourg, Cobourg, Ont. For his gallant attempt to save Larry Finkle from drowning at the expense of his own life.

Cub Paul Ruddick, 9—5th Lion's Cobourg, Cobourg, Ont. For his gallant attempt to save Larry Finkle from drowning at the expense of his own life.

# Silver Cross-1

For Gallantry with Considerable Risk

Scout Jimmy Miller, 12—1st Jarvis Troop, Jarvis, Ont. For his quick thinking and presence of mind in assisting his younger brother and sister safely out of their burning home.

### Gilt Cross-2

For Gallantry with Moderate Risk

Scout Raymond Lapointe, 14—13th St. Joseph Troop, Hull, Quebec.

For his presence of mind in rescuing Robert Leduc from drowning after he had fallen into eight feet of water in Wright's Quarry, striking his head on a rock as he fell and thus becoming unconscious.

Scout Peter Woodsworth, 13—127th Toronto Troop, Swansea, Ontario.

For his presence of mind in helping in the rescue of Romas Burdulis after he had fallen through thin ice and was in danger of drowning.

# Medal for Meritorious Conduct-1

Scout Claude Laniel, 12—1st Salaberry Troop, Valleyfield, Quebec.

For the calm and efficient way in which he, with the help of a friend, rescued Andre Lariviere and Lise Dandierand from drowning in water 150 feet deep when their small motor-boat began to sink.

# Cornwell Badge Certificate-1

Scout John Carmichael, 13—1st Shawville Troop, Bristol, Quebec.

For his remarkable Scout-like determination and fortitude.

# Certificate of Merit for Gallantry-5

Cub Larry Howe, 10—32nd Pack, Calgary, Alberta.

For his presence of mind in rescuing Danny MacLean
from drowning after he had fallen into a deep hole filled
with mud and water.

Scout Robert Morris, 13—1st Ganges Troop, Ganges, B.C. For his presence of mind in assisting in the rescue of Kenneth Ashlee, a non-swimmer, who had fallen into a swimming pool 7½ feet deep.

Cub Bernard Swendson, 11—6th St. Saviours Pack, Nelson, British Columbia.

For his presence of mind in attempting to rescue William and Dorothy Kline from drowning after they had fallen from a wharf.

Cub Philip Gingras, 11—Brant Ensign Pack, Brant, Alberta. For his presence of mind in rescuing his sister, Diane Gingras, from drowning when the ice on which she was playing gave way.

Scout Russell Cass, 13—2nd Grand Lake Troop, New Castle Creek, New Brunswick.

For his presence of mind in rescuing Richard Caswell from drowning after he became weak and panicky and could not swim to shore.

### Certificate of Meritorious Conduct-3

Scout Douglas Caldwell, 14—23rd Troop, Toronto, Ontario.

For the calm and efficient manner in which he prevented

Eric Rothwell from receiving severe burns after the gas
which he was using exploded and he was enveloped in
flames.

Cub Bruce MacManus, 11—4th Moncton Pack, Moncton, New Brunswick.

For the calm and efficient manner in which he saved Sandra Reeves from smothering when a snow house collapsed on her.

Scout John Simmons, 15—3rd Goderich Troop, Goderich, Ontario.

For the calm and efficient manner in which he rescued Julford Bissett, a non-swimmer, from drowning when he fell from a wharf into water 8 feet deep.

# Letter of Commendation for Gallantry-3

Cub Brian St. Amand, 11—1st Waubaushene Pack, Waubaushene, Ontario.

For his presence of mind in saving his brother Donald from serious injury when he accidently stepped on the starter of a power loader and set the machine rolling back toward the platform of a standing truck. Cub Richard Lewis Andrews, 11—1st Oilfield Pack, Turner Valley, Alberta.

For his presence of mind in saving his father from possible death when his overalls became tangled and wound him in the take-off of his tractor.

Scout Fred Henslur, 14—1st Markham Troop, Markham, Ontario

For his presence of mind in saving Garry Mitchell from serious burns after he had fallen into a burning garbage pit.

Letter of Commendation for Meritorious Conduct—5
Cub Bruce Klain—Ma-Me-O-Beach Pack, Ma-Me-O-Beach,
Alberto

For the calm and efficient manner in which he secured help for his father, who had fainted in 20 degree below zero weather, having suffered a serious head injury a few weeks previous.

Scout Robin Thompson, 13—55th Troop, Calgary, Alberta. For the calm and efficient manner in which he, in the absence of adult help in camp, took charge of the situation and arranged for transportation to a doctor when Freddie Gruter, aged 12, pierced his eyelid with a fish-hook.

Cub Gordon Searle, 9—8th North Vancouver "B" Pack, North Vancouver, B.C.

For the calm and efficient manner in which he helped rescue Pamela Robertson from drowning after she had fallen from a footbridge into McKay Creek.

Cub Wayne Keith, 11—8th North Vancouver "B" Pack, North Vancouver, B.C.

For the calm and efficient manner in which he helped rescue Pamela Robertson from drowning after she had fallen from a footbridge into McKay Creek.

Cub Kenneth William Moore, 10—1st Newton Pack, New Westminster, British Columbia.

For the calm and efficient manner in which he rescued Gary Scollen who had fallen from a raft in a basement excavation and was in danger of drowning.

Bar to the Medal of Merit—I

For Additional Good Services to Scouting
Mrs. Ruby Buesnel—Cubmaster, Toronto, Ontario.

Medal of Merit-25

For Good Services to Scouting

M. Normand Houle—Scoutmaster, Montreal, Quebec.

Mr. James H. Wark—District Commissioner, Sherbrooke, Quebec.

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Mr. Joel Monachan—District Scoutmaster, Danford District, Toronto, Ontario.

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Mr. William Kerr—Member Executive Committee, St. Catharines, Ont.

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Mr. Hugh G. Ashford—Member Halifax District Council, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Lieutenant-Colonel W. T. Brown, M.B.E., E.D., M.A.,
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Honorary Vice-President Greater Vancouver District
Council, Member 41st Vancouver Group Committee,
Vancouver, British Columbia.

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Major John Moll (Retired)—Assistant Cubmaster, Kinnaird, British Columbia.

Mr. Charles W. Sing—District Commissioner, Portage la Prairie, Manitoba.

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Major H. John Furminger—Deputy Metropolitan Commissioner, Toronto, Ontario.

# 4th NATIONAL JAPANESE JAMBOREE

We have received an invitation to be represented at the 4th National Japanese Jamboree to be held at Karuizawa, Nagano-Ken, Japan, from Friday, August the 3rd to Tuesday, August the 7th. All foreign contingents are requested to send in advice of participation by the end of June 1956. It is requested that anyone interested in this Jamboree contact the Administration Department of Canadian Headquarters well before this date.

# ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CANADIAN GENERAL COUNCIL

The Annual Meeting of The Canadian General Council will be held in the Chateau Laurier, Ottawa, Ontario, at 3.00 p.m. on Friday, April 27th, 1956. Any Scouters in Ottawa at that time will be welcomed to the meeting. Special arrangements are being made to feature our Conservation Theme at this meeting and in the facilities being provided to the Association by the hotel.

# CONSERVATION GOOD TURN BOOKLET CORRECTION

In the Conservation Good Turn booklet, which every Scouter should now have, there is an error on page 46. Would you please correct the price shown for the Conservation Chart from 5c to read 60c. If you have not yet received your booklet, please contact your District or Provincial Headquarters.



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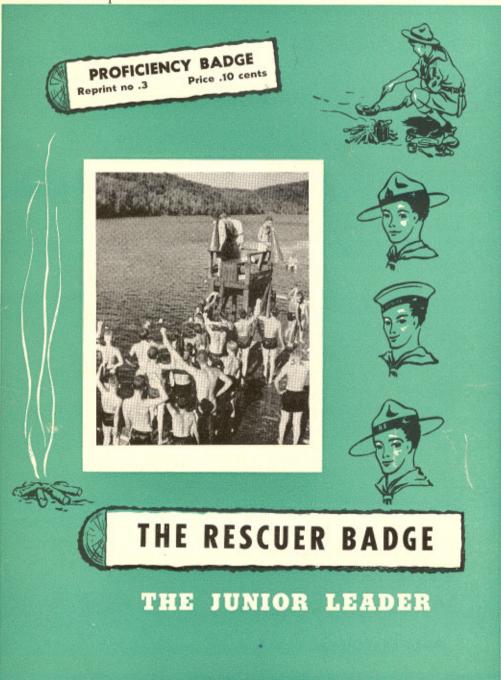
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