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### WOOD BADGE TRAINING - Why B.-P. Started It

"One of the purposes of Wood Badge Training is to get men to think about the practice of Scouting, to meet together, to exchange experiences, and to live together in the spirit of the Scout Promise." Lord Baden-Powell

All courses are open to Scouters in any part of Canada. Applications must be submitted through District or Provincial Commissioners.

WOOD BADGE PART II COURSES - Pack Scouters

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	DATE	PLACE	
British Columbia	June 15th-23rd	Camp Barnard near Sooke,	
and Yukon	August 17th-24th	Vancouver Island Sorrento, on Shuswap Lake	
Alberta and N.W. Territories	May 4th-3 week-ends	Winterburn, near Edmonton	
Saskatchewan (Prairie Course)	June 24th-30th	Mission Lake	
Ontario -	June 1-2, 8-9, 15-16, 22-23 July 7th-13th Sept. 8th-14th	Camp of the Crooked Creek Blue Springs Blue Springs	
Quebec	June 17th-22nd	Camp Jackson Dodds, Lac Cloutier	
Nova Scotia (Maritime Cours	June 22nd–27th	Millers' Lake near Halifax	
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	Wood Badge Part II Courses - Date	- Troop Scouters Place	
British Columbia and Yukon	July 6th-14th	Cultus Lake	
Alberta and N.W. Territories	April 27th-4 week-ends	Winterburn, near Edmonton	
Manitoba and N.W. Ontario	August 17th-25th	Trout Lake, Port Arthur, N.W. Ontario	
Saskatchewan (Prairie Course)	July 3rd-12th	Mission Lake	
Ontario	May 4–5, 11–12, 18–19–20, 25–26 June 1–2, 8–9, 15–16, 22–23 July 13th–21st Sept. 14th–22nd	Camp of the Crooked Creek Ernwigle Camp Blue Springs Blue Springs	
Quebec	July 20th-27th	Camp Tamaracouta	
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British Columbia and Yukon	June 26th-July 1st	Camp Byng	
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### CANADIAN HEADQUARTERS

### 306 Metcalfe St., Ottawa 4

Scoutmaster Jack Young, 2nd Shale Falls Troop, St. Matthew's Church, Shale Falls, Ontario.

Dear Jack:

Thank you very much for your last letter. I was so glad to hear that your winter overnight hike was such a success and that the boys thoroughly enjoyed the adventure. We have certainly had some good weather this year for winter camping, cold and clear and sunny, and your description of the hike made me wish I had done more of it when I was younger.

You have asked me if I have any new thoughts for the "Scoutmaster's Five Minutes", to a Troop of mixed denominations, on the subject of "Duty to God". This is not an easy matter to deal with, and I know it is one which is a source of concern to many Scoutmasters.

The first part of our Promise is to do our Duty to God, and we must instruct the boys in our Troops in this Duty. However, since the Boy Scout Movement accepts into its ranks people of all creeds and of all denominations, it is a subject which can only be dealt with in a mixed group along very broad lines.

I think it is important to point out here that Scouting endeavours to teach a boy to be actively DOING good rather than passively BEING good, so that the emphasis on the first part of the Promise has got to be on the "DO". This means that, while we should teach our boys to be faithful members of their Church, we must go beyond this and teach them that Duty to God involves service to their fellowman and the practice of the daily "Good Turn". Implicit in this, too, is the practice of the Golden Rule "Do

unto others as you would that others should do unto you."

Then, we must tell our boys that, in carrying out the fourth part of the Scout Law "A Scout is a friend to all and a brother to every other Scout," they are doing their Duty to God. This aspect of Duty to God has been vividly illustrated for us by Jesus in His parable of The Good Samaritan—a Bible story which never loses anything in the retelling—truly the perfect "Good Turn".

Finally, we should teach our boys that they are also doing their Duty to God by making wise use of the bountiful resources with which He has provided mankind. Without these gifts mankind could not survive. It is therefore the sacred duty of everyone to use His gifts in the best way possible. His greatest gift to us, as individuals, is of course our own bodies. Surely we must also teach our boys that an important part of their Duty to God is to develop themselves physically, mentally and spiritually to the best of their ability, so that they can make a worthy contribution to their country.

These, it seems to me, are the practical things which can be told to boys as the ways in which they can actively do their Duty to God and, by so doing, feel that they are making a tangible contribution to carrying out God's purpose on earth.

I hope you will find these few remarks of some use to you.

With very best regards,

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Chief Executive Commissioner

OUR COVER PICTURE

Our Founder paid several visits to Canada and each time won the hearts of boys and adults alike. This picture was taken in 1935 on the steps of Canadian Headquarters. There will be many men now who will remember the 1935 visit of the Chief and we do hope that they will pass on to the boys of today something of the inspiration of this great man. This is our Jubilee year and one target of every Scouter should be to tell the boys in his charge something of the life of the Founder.

# An Apology and an Explanation

The Stores Department wishes to apologize for the delay in the shipment of both Drill and Flannel Scout Shirts.

The manufacturer of these items has simply not been able to keep up to the unusually heavy demand which has been passed to him in recent months. However the necessary action has now been taken and it is expected that all back orders will be cleared from Ottawa by April 15th.

### Neckerchief Slide Contest

Be sure to read this month's issue of *The Junior Leader* for details on the Neckerchief Slide Contest.

Scoutmasters will want to encourage their boys to enter this contest just for the fun they will get in making an entry. Valuable prizes will be awarded to the winners and a full announcement will appear in both The Scout Leader and The Junior Leader.

# "DOING A GOOD TURN DAILY" Has long been a World-Wide Boy Scout Habit!

You can do a Good Turn for the Boy Scouts of Korea with every purchase of a Korean Scout Cachet embossed first day cover! Each cover 60c. Send your checks or money orders to: Mr. W. Arthur McKinney, 99 Rockingchair Road, White Plains, New York. He is doing a Good Turn.



Dear Sir:

Would you please send me some badges or patches of your Council and District, I am willing to pay for them and mailing charges.

> Sincerely yours, Richard Sharpe, 2930 Guilford, Royal Oak, Michigan, U.S.A.

 Here is a chance to help build up a collection of badges and patches.
 Perhaps some of your Scouts would like to start a similar collection.

Dear Sir

Of special interest to Sea Scout Troops in Canada is the formation of a new Troop.

The 216th Toronto Sea Scout Troop was officially organized on January 17th and will name their landship the S.S.C.S. Bonaventure in recognition of the new Canadian Aircraft Carrier H.M.C.S. Bonaventure which was commissioned on the same date.

We would be pleased to hear from other Sea Scout Troops as to the types of programme which they carry on, and also the names of their landships. We look forward to meeting many of our fellow Ontario Scouts at the 6th Annual Sea Scout Rendezvous to be held in London.

If some of this information could be published in *The Scout Leader* and *The Junior Leader* it would be appreciated.

Yours in Scouting, C. George Stephenson, Sea Scoutmaster, 216th Toronto Sea Scout Troop, 118 Millicent Ave., Toronto 4, Ont.

 Exchange of news and information between Sca Scout Troops could be mutually beneficial and pave the way for a most successful Sca Scout rendezvous.

Dear Sir:

Permit me, through the medium of The Scout Leader Magazine, to extend our appreciation and thanks to the Training Staff of the Second Canadian Sea Scout Wood Badge (Part II), held at Lakefield, Ontario in 1956. Their originality and instructional ability was unsurpassed and most valuable.

On Saturday, February 23rd, 1957, Harry Park, S.S.M., 55th London Sea Scout Troop, Robert Jerricke, A.S.S.M., Edward Knight, A.S.S.M., Leonard Burgess, A.S.S.M., and myself, all of the 56th London Sea Scout Troop, received our Wood Badges from District Commissioner S. N. Stevens at London District Headquarters.

To Kenneth Jakins, our Deputy Camp Chief, Robert "Bob" Taylor, George Beers, Philip Horton and George Ashe, our sincere thanks. It was "terrific" fellows. Thanking you, I remain.

Good Scouting, George P. Rickard, S.S.M., 56th London Sea Scout Troop.

 Best of luck to these Gilwell award winners and many thanks for their co-operation which made the 1956 camp a success.

Dear Sir:

A recent copy of *The Scout Leader* made mention of a Stamps for World Scouting scheme. This brings rise to the suggestion that possibly either Dominion or International Headquarters might sponsor a Scout Stamp Exchange.

The idea being that possibly Canadian Troops might be interested in sending a packet of current Canadian stamps to a Troop in South Africa, or Peru, for example, and receive from the recipient Troop a similar packet of their national stamps. This would be of interest to Scout philatelists, and the idea is submitted to you in the hope of securing the opinions of others, before approaching higher authority for further action.

Yours faithfully,

E. H. Chernoff, Scoutmaster, 107th Vancouver, B.C., Troop

 Response to the "Stamps for World Scouting" scheme has been excellent.
 Scoutmaster Chernoff's suggestion might be implemented through the "Pen-pal" plan, at present operated by Canadian Headquarters.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find our first effort. Perhaps you would care to know what we have done to better it.

Each boy is saving his letters and stamps in his own home. The Bank of Toronto, the Royal Bank of Canada, our High School office, two drug stores, and parents of Cubs with their own offices save for us their mail. The last Friday of each month is our Stamp Collection day and our duty Cubs, who are chosen monthly, go around to these places with a brown shopping bag. They collect the stamps and bring them to our next meeting where they are packed and despatched to you.

Yours in Scouting, D. Goulding, Akela,

1st Orangeville, Ont., Pack.

• Orangeville Cubs have made the "Stamps for World Scouting" a community affair, with the help of the schools and business-men. Keep up the

good work!

Dear Sir:

Last Tuesday evening at my regular meeting I had an unusual experience when I had the pleasure of investing an uncle and nephew into the Troop.

The uncle is 13 year-old Richard Gehsner and the nephew is 14-year-old Hans Miller.

Both these boys were born in Germany and have been in Canada a matter of four or five years.

Trusting this news might be of interest to you, I remain,

Yours very truly, George Noble, S.M., 2nd Kenora, Ont., Troop.

 Congratulations to the 2nd Kenora Troop on their New Canadian nephew and uncle. How many other Troops are putting Citizenship into action by enrolling recent arrivals?

Dear Sir:

The Wolf Cubs of this district (only formed a year ago) are now out working on a 40th Anniversary Good Turn.

The endowing of a hospital ward, (semiprivate), in our newly completed Scarborough General Hospital. Each Cub has been asked to, by working around the home and neighborhood, earn a dollar for this project (\$800.00). No pocket money or gifts are being accepted.

This income should not only furnish the total costs, and plaque, etc., but leave enough to supply flowers for a year—we hope

It might be an inspiration to other units, to see what can be done in a new district.

F. Danniels,

Scarborough West, Ont.

Our congratulations to the boys in this Pack for their outstanding undertaking.

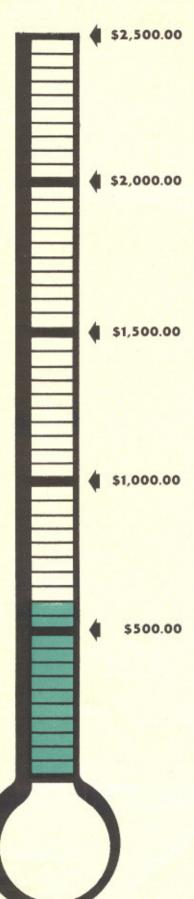
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### B.-P. Centennial Fund

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A Message from the Deputy Chief Scout for Canada

Since becoming your Deputy Chief Scout I have had the opportunity to travel more than 100,000 miles, including a trip around the world.

As a member of the International Committee, I have been closely in touch with the work of the International Bureau in all parts of the world. This association and travel has impressed me greatly with the need for the B.-P. Centenary Fund to assist in the development of Scouting in those less fortunate parts of the world where it is most urgently needed. Today, as many of these ancient countries are reaching self government, the need for assistance is greater than ever before.

"A Scout is a friend to all and a brother to every other Scout". We in this greatly favoured country have in the B.-P. Centenary Fund a wonderful opportunity to make this Scout Law a living and vital part of our Scouting by subscribing, as generously as possible, to this Fund. It is my earnest hope that every Wolf Cub, Boy Scout and Rover Scout, every member of a Group Committee, Ladies' Auxiliary and Scout Association in Canada will become a shareholder in spreading the gospel of Scouting to those parts of the world where it is so badly needed.

"The woods would be silent if no birds sang but those that sang best". Applied to Scouting this means that even the smallest contribution will help in this great work. The Canadian General Council has set \$50,000 as the objective for this Fund. In gratitude for the life of the Founder and for all that Scouting has meant to many hundreds of thousands of boys in Canada in the past 50 years, let us see to it that this objective is reached.

Jackoon Donas

Deputy Chief Scout

### Contributions to Baden-Powell Centenary Fund

1st Wakefield Group
(Church Parade) 8.35
Ariel Stamp Co., Montreal 2.65
C. T. Batten Memorial Fund
(B.S.A., Prov'l. Council, British Columbia)
Mr. George Ferguson, Ottawa 10.00
Total \$569.00

#### THE B.-P. CENTENNIAL FUND THERMOMETER

On the left you will see the thermometer which we will use to gauge the amount contributed to the B.-P. Centennial Fund each month. Show it to your boys and encourage them to add their contribution so that we can send the colour bubbling over the top. We will change the figures shown in dollars as soon as the amount grows.



Looking Ahead Before a Going-Up Ceremony, make sure that the Cubs going-up know something about the Troop and how it works. If possible they should meet their future Patrol Leaders and they should certainly have met the Scoutmaster.

### Scout Wins Dog Race

From Scoutmaster Rev. Fr. Rene LeMajor, O.M.I., of the 3rd The Pas Sea Scout Troop (S.S.S. Star of the

"Sea Scout Lloyd Lavallee, 2nd of the Loon Patrol, won the International Junior championship dog race at the recent Trappers' Festival.

There were ten competitors in the sixteen-mile race, which in part followed the Carrot River Valley dike. Lloyd, driving a five-dog team, began in fifth position, and pulled up to second. As they reached the steep and narrow river-side ditch, Lassie, his lead dog, fought ahead through the deep snow up the steep bank and led the team to victory, a hundred yards ahead of the runner-up. Lloyd was presented with a \$75.00 cheque and a cup at the banquet that night."

### Trophy Winners

Scouts of the 4th Neebing Troop near Fort William, Ontario, were recently the proud winners of a trophy. This trophy was sponsored by the Great Lakes Paper Company Limited and was awarded to the Group who had demonstrated the greatest participation in Conservation activities in this Western Ontario rural area. Patrol Leader Larry Pugh also holds all four of the new Conservation Proficiency Badges which, we feel sure, made it much easier for his Troop to win this valuable trophy.

### Brothers Receive Awards at Jubilee Banquet

The proudest of those present at the 38th Group "Father and Son" Jubilee Banquet was undoubtedly the father of Doug and Bruce Mason. During the course of the evening Doug Mason received his Silver Arrow Badge from Area Field Commissioner Art Paddon while his younger brother Bruce, a member of the Won-Tolla Pack, received his second star. Several other boys also received awards.



Scouts of St. John's, Nfld. were thrilled recently to find that their Scouter had invited an R.C.M.P. constable to attend a meeting with one of the trained dogs owned by the Force. What's new in your programme planning?

### Leader's Prayer

Thinking in terms of Boy Scout-Girl Guide Sunday, Guide Captain Verna E. Moores (208th Toronto S.A. Company) has written the following poem (which can be sung to the tune of "Finlandia").

O Lord of Life, we offer unto Thee Our time, our talents, and our loyalty; Help us to guide the feet of those we lead

Into the paths of right and truth, we plead.

Grant us more wisdom, courage, strength and grace,

Help us to always seek Thy holy face: Oh! Hear us, Lord, as now we humbly

And make us vessels Thou canst use

May our lives be a likeness, Lord, of

That children may, in us, Thy beauty

Help us, as leaders, to obey our vows, Our Promise keep, and live up to our

To 'Be Prepared', and always 'Lend a Hand.

To 'Do our Best', and for the right to

Oh! Hear us, Lord, as now we humbly

And make us vessels Thou canst use today.

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### KNOW YOUR CANADIAN HEADQUARTERS

### The Administration Department

The smooth and effective Administrative Organization of the Boy Scout Movement in Canada depends, to a large extent, on the Executive Commissioner for Administration and his staff. It is their responsibility to initiate procedures common to all Councils and to review them in keeping with the growth of the Movement. In addition, the Administration Department supervises the internal operations of Canadian Headquarters. Following are the more important duties assigned to this Department:

Liaison with the International Bureau in such matters as financial contributions and immigrant Scouters, as well as direct and friendly contact with the Boy Scouts of America. Administration is in charge of all arrangements in connection with World Jamborees and Moots, and attendance at the national Jamborees of other countries.

The Canadian General Council consists of some 800 representative citizens from all walks of life and from all parts of Canada, who are elected for a term of three years, one third retiring annually. Maintenance of the record of these and annual advice to the Provinces of those retiring is the responsibility of the Administration Department. The Executive Committee of the Council, representative of all Provinces meets three times each year. one of which includes the Annual Meeting of the Council, and the Department is responsible for the preparation of the Agenda, the physical arrangements for the meetings, the transportation and accommodation of the members and the preparation and distribution of the Minutes.



G. E. Simmons

Statistics and Research on Scouts and Scouting in Canada are compiled under the supervision of the Administration Department, and are an important tool in planning development and expansion. In addition, reports will be prepared from time to time which will present the over-all picture of Scouting in Canada to interested persons.

Legal and Constitutional matters concerning the Association in Canada come within the jurisdiction of the Administration Department. The Department must take action when infringements of the protection afforded by the Act of Parliament occur, prepare briefs for Honorary Counsel when required, assist in the revision of the rules of the Association and maintain the By-Laws of the Canadian General Council.

Honours and Awards—The Department is responsible for the preparation and distribution of the Chief Scout's semi-Annual Honours Lists and for the preparation for the Annual Investiture at Government House.

Charters and Warrants—All warrants for Scouters and all Charters for Groups and Councils are issued by the Department after signature by the Chief Scout.

The internal operation of Canadian Headquarters is closely supervised by the Administration Department. Staff appointments and training, annual reviews of performance and salaries, holidays and special leave, and pension and insurance plans are given careful consideration. Travelling arrangements are made for speaking tours by members of Canadian Headquarters Staff.

Financial control of internal operations is a major part of the work of the Administration Department. This includes the examination and approval of all accounts payable, the issue of cheques, quarterly audits and publication of financial statements. Adequate records of all expenditures are kept and departmental heads are informed of the departmental financial position. The co-ordination and preparation of the Annual Financial Report highlights the year's work.

Stationery and equipment and the maintenance of Canadian Headquarters building and other property owned by the Canadian General Council are among the duties of the Administration Department, which contribute a great deal to the efficient organization of Canadian Headquarters and the Association in general.

Lt.-Col. George Edward Simmons,
Executive Commissioner for Administration, was born in Wheathampstead,
Hertfordshire, England and educated at
St. Alban's School. He joined the Bank
of Montreal staff in London, England
and was sent to Canada in 1929. He
served with the Bank of Montreal in
Regina, Moosejaw, Winnipeg, Fort
William and Toronto, as well as in
several smaller branches.

Colonel Simmons began his army career as a 2nd Lieutenant in September 1939. After graduation from the War Staff College, he held various staff appointments in the First Canadian Army, and served with the R.C.A.S.C. in Canada, Great Britain, North Africa, France, Belgium and Holland. Colonel Simmons was awarded the M.B.E. for "gallant and distinguished conduct in the northwest European area". In 1945 he was appointed an officer of the Military Division of the Order of the British Empire.

In February 1947, Colonel Simmons resigned from the Bank of Montreal to join Canadian Headquarters Staff as Executive Commissioner (Administration), which position he has held ever since.

Colonel Simmons was a member of the First St. Alban's Scout Troop before leaving England and a First Class Scout. In Canada, he has acted as Scoutmaster to Troops in Eastend, Sask., Semans, Sask., and Rockcliffe Park near Ottawa. He holds the Wood Badge for Troop Scouters. Colonel Simmons is married and has one daughter, Patricia. He is a member of the Anglican Church.

Patrick Michael Oldfield Evans, Assistant Executive Commissioner (Administration), was born in Bowden, England, and attended Bowden College. He came to Canada at the age of sixteen and joined the Dominion Textile Company, Magog, Quebec. While in Magog he was a member of the First Magog "Byng of Vimy" Rover Crew for two years. In 1935, he was appointed Assistant Scoutmaster of the First Magog Scout Troop, and in 1936 became Scoutmaster upon completion of his Wood Badge Course.

In 1942, Mr. Evans enlisted in the R.C.A.F., serving first in the Security Branch, then in Air Crew.

Following his discharge from the R.C.A.F. Mr. Evans joined the staff of the Canadian General Council, acting as Field Commissioner in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and for five years in Saskatchewan. Transferred to the Training Department at Headquarters, Mr. Evans was given a variety of assignments including Field Work. In 1953, Mr. Evans became Assistant Executive Commissioner for Administration.

Mr. Evans lives at Larrimac, Quebec, sixteen miles from Ottawa, conveniently near a golf links. In 1954, he organized the First Wakefield, Quebec, Scout Troop and has remained its Scoutmaster. Many of the boys in the Troop are from rural homes, and Mr. Evans has taken a keen interest in developing a Scout programme to meet their needs. Mr. Evans is a member of the Anglican Church.

Kenneth Norman Moore, Assistant to the Executive Commissioner (Administration), was born in Fort Erie, Ontario and educated mainly in Belleville, Ontario.

Mr. Moore joined the First Madoc, Ontario, Troop in 1944. Later he became a member of the Second Belleville Troop, then Patrol Leader, Troop Leader and King's Scout. In 1951, he became an Assistant Scoutmaster and the following year joined the First Belleville Rover Crew.

In 1952, Mr. Moore was taken on strength of the R.C.M.P., enlisting in Ottawa. During two and one-half years' service, his postings included Vancouver, Regina, Ottawa, Prince Albert, Carrot River and Weyburn. While with the R.C.M.P., he earned his St. John Medallion, the Bronze Medallion and the award of merit for swimming.

Mr. Moore joined Headquarters Staff as a Field Commissioner in Training in July 1955, and has since been transferred to his present duties.

While in Weyburn, Sask., Mr. Moore served as Acting District Commissioner and as District Scoutmaster in Belleville. Since coming to Ottawa, he has worked with the 55th Pack and Troop as Cubmaster and then Scoutmaster. Mr. Moore is an Anglican.

Henry Seywerd was born in Bavaria, Germany, and came to Canada at the age of sixteen. Following a variety of jobs which enabled him to see a good deal of Canada, he worked with the Montreal Y.M.C.A. Mr. Seywerd completed his Bachelor of Arts Degree at Sir George Williams College by attending night classes, and his Master of Arts in Sociology at McGill University. During college days, he was assistant editor of the college paper and president of the undergraduate society.

Following graduation, Mr. Seywerd became Chief Probation Officer for the non-Catholic section in the Montreal Delinquent Court. In 1951 he went to the Canadian Citizenship Council as consultant on Immigration problems. His work there included the organization of Orientation, Information and Counselling Services for Displaced Persons in European camps, Ship Board Orientation Programmes and similar projects.

Mr. Seywerd was employed by Canadian Headquarters in September 1956, for special duties in Research and Statistics. He is a member of the American Sociological Society and the Canada Foundation and is in demand as a writer and speaker in the field of immigration. Mr. Seywerd's wife is a New Canadian from the Netherlands.

Female Staff—The many functions of the Department could not be accomplished without the help of a loyal and efficient female staff.

The maintenance of the accounts of the Association is in the capable hands of Miss Ann Brown who with one assistant has done all the detail work in connection with the books for the past thirty years.

The Executive Commissioner's personal secretary is responsible not only for the material he prepares but for the allocation to three other stenographers of the excess and material prepared by the other two male members of the Department.

The Central Registry through which passes all incoming mail and where all files are maintained is under the control of the Administration Department. The clerk in charge is responsible for the maintenance of some six hundred current files and the efficiency of the Headquarters depends to a large degree on her industry and efficiency.

Mailing and Addressograph are controlled by one clerk in the Administration Department. She receives all mail for despatch from the various departments and controls the mailing list consisting of nearly 2,000 plates. Her care in maintaining an accurate list assists greatly in the smooth functioning of most departments.

A recent innovation is a Duplicating Service where all stencilled material is prepared and run off. This greatly relieves the pressure on other departments and tends toward greater uniformity in the preparation of this type of material.

At the moment the Department consists of three male and nine female staff, all of whom are employed to capacity.



Henry Seywerd



Left: P. M. O. Evans Right: K. N. Moore

### FEBRUARY 22nd, 1957

# Birthday

### The Chief Scout

This week, over seven million members of the Boy Scout Movement in every part of the world are celebrating the centenary of the birth of their founder, Lord Baden-Powell of Gilwell. I am delighted to have the opportunity to mark this occasion by sending my personal greetings to the two hundred and twenty thousand members of the Movement in Canada.

In this year, which marks also the Golden Jubilee of Scouting itself, I ask every Wolf Cub, Boy Scout, Rover Scout and Scouter in Canada to pledge himself anew so to live by the Promise and Law that he will be a worthy example of that true citizenship which the Scout Movement so earnestly strives to build. In this way each of you will pay a fitting tribute to the great man who gave to the world its largest voluntary organization of youth.

# Greetings

### The Minister of Citizenship and Immigration

As Minister of Citizenship and Immigration and a former Boy Scout, I wish to express my warmest commendation of the Boy Scout Movement on the Hundredth Anniversary of the birth of its Founder, Lord Baden-Powell.

The Boy Scout Movement exerts a great force in fostering goodwill and understanding. By its very ideal of tolerance and service which knows no frontiers of race, colour or creed, the Boy Scout Movement fosters the ideals on which our Canadian Citizenship is based.

J. W. Pickersgill

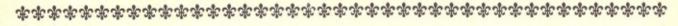
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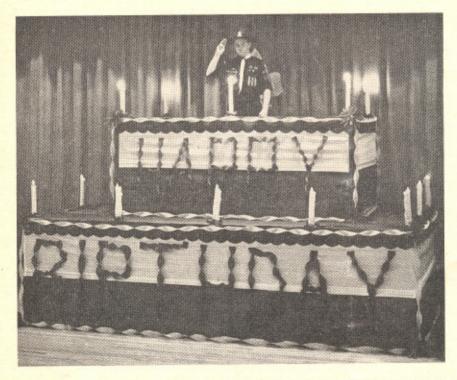
### The National Council of the Y.M.C.A.

Delegates This Annual Meeting Of The National Council Of YMCA Of Canada Recorded Pleasure in Scoutings 50th Birthday And The 100th Anniversary Of Your Famed Founder May Your Fine Work With Boys Continue in Geometric Proportion.

> G. E. Edmonds Q.C. Chairman Executive Committee Natl. Council Y.M.C.A.

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This is a picture of the Birthday Cake which formed the finale to a February 22nd display at the London District Headquarters. The cake is over 12 feet wide and although not real cake, looked good enough to eat. Over 450 leaders and supporters were present for the party.

### ST. GEORGE'S DAY - April 23rd

Every Cub, Scout and Rover should know something of the Patron Saint of Scouting. The tales of this knight are many and here are a few thoughts on St. George for your yarn book.

Saint George, the patron saint of England and Cubs and Scouts throughout the world, legend says, was born in Lydda, in Greece, in the third century A.D. He became a soldier in the ranks of the Roman Emperor Diocletian, and rose to high military rank. During the course of his career he travelled throughout the Roman Empire, including Britain. While in Britain, at York, Saint George became friendly with a young man who later became the Roman Emperor Constantine. As a practicing Christian Saint George inspired many, despite the unpopularity of Christianity at that time. When the Emperor intensified his persecution of the Christians, George returned to Rome, sought an interview with him, in which he made a deliberate profession of his faith, and resigned his commission. He was immediately arrested, and after various tortures, put to death at Nicomedia on the 23rd of April 303 A.D. When Saint George's friend became Emperor Constantine, the first Christian ruler of Rome, he had a memorial erected to him at Lydda, and decreed that his friend should henceforth be known as "Saint George, the Champion of the Christian Faith".

Several other less authentic legends became attached to the name of Saint George, the most popular being the account of his slaying of a dragon. According to tradition, a dragon was laving waste an area around Silene, a heathen town, poisoning the air with his breath. The king of the country offered the dragon a sheep every day if he would leave them in peace, and for a time all was well. But soon the sheep were all gone and the dragon began poisoning the air again. The people offered to send one of their children each day if he would leave them alone, and planned to draw lots each day to see whose child was to go. When the first lot was drawn, the King's daughter was selected for the sacrifice. She was taken to the dragon's cave, and left to be devoured. As she waited, she heard a horse approaching, and on him was mounted a knight in armour, with a Red Cross on his shield. It was Saint George, and when he saw the dragon approaching, he made the sign of the cross and attacked, piercing the dragon through the head with his spear. He then placed the Princess on his horse, and led both horse and dragon back to the town. When the people gathered to see what had happened, George drew his sword and cut off the dragon's head.

The people of Silene were overjoyed, and when George appealed to them to become Christians, were baptized immediately. This legend can be traced to the close of the sixth century

King Arthur established the Order of the Knights of the Round Table

about the same time, and selected Saint George as its patron saint. The virtues of honour, courage and chivalry which Saint George symbolized became the basis for their code, from which our Scout laws of today come. The rules, are as follows:

"Be always ready, with your armour on, except when you are taking your rest at night.

Defend the poor and help them that cannot defend themselves.

Do nothing to hurt or offend anyone. Be prepared to fight in defence of England.

Work for honour rather than profit. Never break a promise.

Perform the most laborious and humble duties with cheerfulness and grace.

Do good unto others."

When the Red Cross on a white ground was incorporated into the Union Flag of Great Britain, it symbolized the importance of Saint George as an ideal to the English people

Lord Baden-Powell selected Saint George as the patron saint of Scouts everywhere, and said:

"St. George was typical of what a Scout should be."

That is to say, when he was faced by a difficulty or danger, however great it appeared, even in the shape of a dragon, he did not avoid it or fear it, but went at it with all the power he could put into himself and his horse. Although inadequately armed for such an encounter, having merely a spear, he charged in, did his best, and finally succeeded in overcoming a difficulty which nobody had dared to tackle.

That is exactly the way in which a Scout should face a difficulty or danger, no matter how great or terrifying it may appear to him or how illequipped he may be for the struggle.

He should go at it boldly and confidently, using every power that he can to try to overcome it, and the probability is that he will succeed."

Adventuring to Manhood, 1936.

### St. George's Day Message from the Director of our International Bureau

On behalf of the International Committee and the staff of the International Bureau I send you greetings on this St. George's Day. This year, as we celebrate the Jubilee of Scouting and the Centenary of the Birth of the Founder, B.-P., we pass a milestone in our history.

We can look back on the past with reasonable pride-much good has been achieved because we have built Scouting on a firm foundation,

We can look at the present with some satisfaction-we have more than seven million members in sixty-three countries, all united by the same Promise and Law.

We can look at the future with con-

fidence-confidence that more boys all over the world will benefit from the joys of Scouting.

Let us on this St. George's Day resolve to grasp the opportunities which lie open to each one of us to make Scouting even more effective in our Groups, in our Districts, and in our Nations. A little extra effort by each one of us can, in total, mean so much. An extra good turn by all seven million of us would surely be an example to

Good Scouting to you on this Day of St. George!

D. C. SPRY,

Director

### More Games for the Pack and Troop **Troop Games**

### Pack Games

Story Telling a Story

The Cubs sit in a circle. Each one is given a picture. Then one of the Cubs begins to tell a story, bringing in the subject of his picture. Presently he leaves off and the next Cub must continue the story, bringing in his picture; and so on until all the Cubs have had a turn, and the story is complete.

### Shop Windows

Small cards with a single letter on them are placed on the floor in a circle. The Cubs stand around in a circle just outside the cards. At a given sign all the Cubs run round in one direction (to the right or left) until Akela calls, "The Shop is open". The Cubs stop running and pick up the nearest card and put it on the toe of their shoe. Akela, with the Old Wolves, walks around the circle of Cubs and gives to each Cub in turn the name of a shop. Before she can count 10 the Cub must have named an article beginning with the letter on his card, which can be bought in the shop. If he cannot do that, then he must mention any article that can be obtained in the shop or he loses a point.

Shopping

Cubs sit in a circle. One Cub is sent out of the Pack and the others take connsel and decide what this Cub must be when he comes back. They decide, for example, that he shall be a policeman. When he comes in he asks each of the Cubs in turn what he can buy for himself. In this case he can buy a pair of black boots, whistle, a flashlight, and so on. When he has gone round the circle he is given two chances to guess what he is and if he does not know he loses a point.

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Thimble Finding

Send the Patrol or Troop out of the room. Take a thimble, ring, coin, bit of paper or any small article, and place it where it is perfectly visible, but in a spot where it is not likely to be noticed. Let the Scouts come in and look for it. When one of them sees it, he should go and quietly sit down in his Patrol corner without indicating to the others where it is. After a fair time he should be told to point it out to those who have not succeeded in find-

### Tourniquet Relay

Equipment: None.

Method: Leader and victim are placed 25-40 feet in front of each Patrol. Patrols in relay formation. Victim lies down, has arterial "bleeding" of right wrist. First Scout runs up, removes his neckerchief, and applies tourniquet to victim. When correct, leader yells "Off". Scout removes tourniquet, runs back, touches next Scout who repeats operation. If Patrols are uneven one or more Scouts tie two tourniquets.

Scoring: Five points for each tourniquet tied correctly without coaching from judge. Five points for first Patrol applying all tourniquets correctly.

Variation: Troop staff stages realistic F.A. accident. Spurting "blood" through tube and syringe, red paper on ground cut out to represent pools of blood. All Scouts witness First Aid given, then go to Patrol corners and list steps of correct F.A. procedure.

#### Doctoring

Each Scout in turn acts as an explorer or missionary with a few simple remedies. Three patients are brought to him in succession, each having a different disease or injury. He has to advise or show what treatment should be carried out (S. for B.)

#### The Airplane Crash

Equipment: Belt first aid kit for each Patrol if you have them. Also first aid materials improvised on the spot.

Method: Place as many victims as you have Patrols about 100 yards apart. Victims are made up realistically to represent erash cases-severe burns, shock, compound fracture, dead. (Attach labels to victims telling what is the matter). As Troop comes close to scene of "crash", junior leader excitedly tells what has happened. A Patrol is dispatched to each victim. After giving aid to one victim, Patrol moves to next, till each Patrol has cared for all victims.

Scoring: Develop your own scoring. Give plus scores for correct aid, good organization, sending for help. Give minus for aid to "dead" victim, incorrect care, etc.

> Scout Barnyard

Equipment: Some slips of paper with names of animals. Each name appears on two slips.

Method: The slips of paper are put into a hat. Each Scout draws a slip of paper from the hat. When everyone has a slip, each Scout starts making the animal sound that is appropriate to the animal on his slip of paper. The object of this game is for each boy to locate his "mate" who is making the same animal call that he is. When a Scout finds his mate, both stop calling and step to one side.

Scoring: None, this is strictly for fun. Variation 1. Barnyard Surprise. To add some fun to this game, make only one slip with the name "donkey". The "he-hawing" at the end by one lone Scout is a laugh for all.

Variation 2: Bird Calling. For advanced nature students, use names of birds (or wild animals).

### Patrol Alphabet Relay

Preparation: Line up Patrols in parallel files at the end of the room or field. Provide the first runner of each Patrol with a signal flag. Use arms for semaphore. At the starting signal the player at the head of each file runs forward to sending line parked on floor or ground, faces his Patrol and sends the letter "A". He then runs back, to next in line who runs forward and sends "B", while first runner goes to end of line. 3-2-1 points for Patrols finishing 1st, 2nd and 3rd. All letters correct. Scout remains at signalling post until he does send his letter correctly. Go through Alphabet.

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### THE ADVENTURE OF GOING UP

By A. MUNRO FRASER, District Commissioner, South Waterloo

In the last issue of *The Scout Leader*, we presented an article by John Thurman entitled, "ACROSS NO MAN'S LAND". This is how one Scouter has put it into action and this is what he thinks of the scheme proposed by Mr. Thurman.

Our aim in Scouting includes the promoting of the physical and mental development of boys. We recognize that boys grow in mind and in body from year to year, and as Scouters serving our community and nation we are obliged to do our utmost in seeing that Scouting contributes to the healthy growth of the boys who enter our ranks as Cubs and grow to be Scouts. Growth involves a change and when we fail to accept this change or if we are unable to work in harmony with it, we run into trouble.

Some Cubmasters have been disappointed on seeing Cubs go up to the Troop and, after a short stay, leaving Scouting. And Scoutmasters have sometimes wondered why their Troops remained small in size in spite of the fact that a great many boys come up from the Pack each year. Many Scouters agree that when these things happen it is a sign that the Cubs who went up to the Troop did not like something about the change that took place and therefore left our ranks.

In recent issues of The Scout Leader, John Thurman, Camp Chief of Gilwell Park has written two noteworthy articles based on his observations of the Wolf Cub program as he found it during his last tour of Canada. He has drawn several important facts to our attention. He also left with us a remarkable suggestion concerning the Going-Up Ceremony and how it affects the Cub who becomes a Scout — the boy who is growing up. (Reference here to Thurman's article elsewhere in the magazine.)

We liked the Camp Chief's suggestions so well that we decided to try them out. While the long range results will not be available for several years, the initial results of our experiment have been very encouraging, and I want to tell you about them.

During the past year we met with nearly all Group Councils in our District individually, presented John Thurman's article, "Across No Man's Land", to the Scouters and Group Committee representatives, and asked them to seriously consider the matter as it affected their own Group. Almost without exception, people throughout the entire District were enthusiastic about adopting the suggested form of the Going-Up Ceremony. By now most of them have had an opportunity to carry it out, and many of them have expressed the hope that their fellow Scouters will also adopt it and enjoy the same happy Scouting experience that they discovered.

Here are the results to date: (1) It has helped us to keep our sights on the importance of the training of individual boys, (2) it has given Pack Scouters and Troop Scouters a fuller appreciation of the part that each of them plays in the life of the Scout Group family, (3) it has developed a greater sense of friendly understanding between parents and Scouters, (4) it has helped Pack and Troop Scouters to plan and be prepared for the Going-Up Ceremony, (5) it has made the Going-Up Ceremony a truly happy event in the life of the growing boy, (6) it has shown us the importance of keeping the Ceremony simple and sincere, and finally (7) it has helped retain boys within the influence of Scout citizenship training.

I sincerely hope that many Groups throughout Canada will re-consider the whole matter of "Going-Up" and growing up in the light of our adaptation of John Thurman's suggestion. I am convinced that through it Scouting can make an important contribution to the process of growing up through a real "Adventure of Going-Up."

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We would be pleased to have your comments on these ideas and if you have put anything like the above into action, we would appreciate your summary of what benefit you think has come from the action.

### The Fun of Making Nature Trails

By STUART S. PETERS, Wildlife Division, Newfoundland Conservation Authority

Summer camps offer an unique opportunity for the teaching and understanding of natural history and conservation subjects. Such activities as field trips, collections of various items made during a field trip, nature exhibits, and nature trails are just a few instructive and interesting enterprises.

The aim of these few sheets is to enlarge on the subject of a nature trail. I hope to bring out a few points that should help to increase the effectiveness of the nature trail you plan to construct. The suggested ideas presented here have been gleaned from Cornell University Rural School Leaflets, and one in particular written by Wilson F. Clark on the subject of nature trails. I have also incorporated ideas of my own from my limited experience in planning trails and nature walks.

A nature trail is simply a self-instructive means of imparting information (by means of labels) relating to natural history and conservation matters that can be found along a selected path. Plants, rocks, animal sign, evidence of erosion, insects—almost anything to be found along a trail may convey a conservation message in one way or another. However, a few ideas should be kept in mind during the construction of a nature trail; otherwise maximum effectiveness will not be accomplished.

- The trail should be simple to follow, and should pass through the most interesting sites to be found in the area.
- 2. The trail should be much more than a catalogue of species. It should impart information about the object and also stimulate the participant to learn more. Besides simply naming the object; information on life history, uses in food and in industry, interesting adaptations, ecological relationships to other forms, simple means of identificiation, and comparison of two somewhat similar species can be successfully used to create and maintain interest.
- 3. The trail should be so laid out and labeled that a person using it is self-sufficient. It is an excellent idea, however, to state where he may find more information concerning the objects labeled on the trail.
- 4. The trail need not be long. In fact, considerable information can be

imparted in a trail of only 200 to 300 yards, with labels 20 to 30 feet apart.

In any case the labels and signs along the trail should be spaced closely enough so that from one sign the next may be seen.

With these general guides in mind, there is a great variety of trails that may be constructed. A trail may be limited to a single topic, such as rocks, wild flowers, trees, shrubs, or animal signs. It may be general, and include all of these items. It may be slanted for a particular approach, such as a trail emphasizing adaptations of plants, or a trail pointing out important conservation ideas. In addition, question trails, training trails, and testing trails offer interesting possibilities. No matter what may be the theme of a trail, keep in mind that to be effective, the trail must attract interest, must be clearly and simply labeled, and must be selfoperating.

#### The Wording of Labels

If a youngster enters a nature trail and encounters a sign reading—

#### BALSAM FIR Abies balsamea

—is he apt to continue very long? This brief sign may be satisfactory for a trail built specifically to teach tree names, in preparation for a test, but would he not be much better served by a sign like the following?

#### BALSAM FIR

A tree valuable to the pulp and paper industry. Used extensively by our Moose as food and cover. The resinous sap of this tree (Commercially known as "Canada Balsam") is important to the optical industry in cementing lenses together. This product is also used in scientific microscope research as a mounting medium for the slides used. They make good Christmas Trees, and notice that the cones are erect. Compare this tree with the Black Spruce farther along the trail.

(At the Black Spruce, refer back to the Balsam Fir.)

These two examples emphasize several of the following important ideas concerning the wording of labels:

 Labels should be simple, informative, and conversational.

- 2. Avoid scientific names and technical words, unless you feel they are necessary. Sometimes if used with a brief explanation these terms will add interest in the object. New words can and should be taught on a nature trail, but don't fog the subject matter just for the sake of using a technical term.
- Labels should be brief, but not abrupt. Convey some interesting fact along with the name, for names alone are apt to be dull and hard to remember.
- 4. Use a positive, instead of a negative approach, where prohibitions are concerned. For instance, which of the following two wordings would you prefer to see on a white birch tree?

### WHITE BIRCH Do not peel off the bark. WHITE BIRCH

The Indians used the bark of this and other birches for making canoes and other utensils. When the thin outer bark is carefully removed, it does not harm the tree, but when the inner bark is also removed (as was done on this tree) the tree is often killed, or becomes diseased. Have you seen any other birches around the camp that have been harmed in this way?

The second label is rather long, but wouldn't it be more apt to affect a boy's action toward birch trees rather than the curt statement of the first label? Along the same line, you will find "PLEASE" signs to be generally more effective than the "DO NOT" signs.

5. Go along with the urge to touch, urge to taste, and the urge to smell things along the trail. To taste and smell a broken twig of the sweet gale shrub will cement this characteristic in mind, and will help in future identification. After suggesting the sampling of leaves, twigs and bark of plants, it sometimes happens that the specimen is destroyed by over indulgence—so use caution if the plant is an uncommon one.

#### How is a nature trail made?

Perhaps the simplest way to make a trail is to use an already established pathway or an old woods road. This saves the labour of actually opening a trail, but may have the disadvantage of the trail showing signs of previous hard usage. If a new trail is planned (usually the best idea), it need only be a few feet wide, and also a new trail can be routed to pass by particular spots that would be especially instructional.

Once the trail is established, go over it several times with some of the boys, and ask them to decide what to label. Simple labels consisting of linen tags to be written on with India ink can be put on at this time. A recorder should keep notes on these stations which will be valuable when the permanent labels and signs are prepared away from the trail.

When deciding on the type of labels and signs, one must consider the durability and attractiveness of them, and realize that maintenance will be necessary.

#### Method of Labeling and Displaying

- Linen tags, marked with India ink. To make them more durable after preparation, brush or spray the tag with varnish, or dip in melted paraffin or linseed oil. Attach these and other such tags and signs with aluminum or other non-rusting wire.
- Masonite or plywood labels. Use two base coats of a flat paint, write on the paint with India ink, printers ink, or casein paints, then apply two coats of varnish.
- Zinc sheets. Treat the same as the plywood or masonite. Metal signs often require a wood backing to prevent the edges from being bent by curious fingers.

Note: When erecting signs or directional markers, it is good practice to use brass screws or non-rusting nails such as aluminum or galvanized. Otherwise rust from ordinary nails or screws will soon mar the surface of the sign.

- 4. Galvanized iron sheets. The flat paints do not stick to galvanized metal too well. For making such signs, first bathe the metal in vinegar, rinse in water several times, let it dry thoroughly, then apply a background coat of a rubber base paint. India ink may not work well on the rubber-based paints, and lettering may have to be painted on.
- 5. File cards. Titles hand lettered in India ink, and the rest of the information typed. Spray or paint with varnish or dip in linseed oil to make the cards waterproof. This method of labeling is simple, but not very durable. Cards placed on a wood backing will increase their useful life.
- In hand lettering signs and labels, legibility is of first importance. Lettering should be neat, but it doesn't need to be professional.
- Vary the size and shape of labels and signs. For instance, tree leaf cutouts with information, or in the shape of animals will add interest to the trail.

- Vary the background colours of the signs. Certain colours might be used for certain subjects, such as green for plants, brown for rocks, blue for insects, white for mammals and birds, and red for question boards etc.
- Pictures on labels are sometimes useful to show the relationship between the object and an associated organism, e.g. A picture of a moose eating balsam fir beside the label affixed to the balsam fir on the trail.
- Directional signs on corners in the trail are often helpful. Mount such signs or arrows so that they cannot be turned around.
- 11. At the start of the trail, particularly on long trails mount a sign explaining what the trail is for, how to use it, and how long it is, and where it goes.
- 12. Turn-about labels. These are useful on a question trail. A question about the object may be asked on one side of the sign, with the answer on the other side. Be sure the rotating pins or nails are placed off-centre, so that the sign will always swing back leaving the question visible.
- 13. Sometimes a sign containing pictures or considerable information is worth protecting by placing a roof over the board.
- 14. Ant feeding box. On a stump along the trail near an ant hill, place a jar lid or tin plate with some honey and water in it. The ants and other insects will quickly find it, and a sign can give some interesting information on them.
- 15. Animal signs. Call attention to browse signs, droppings, diggings, fur, and other animal signs. Suggest that the particular objects be left in place for the next person to see.
- 16. Numbered trail. Instead of labeling objects, a stake or tag only numbers the items. A mimeographed sheet or key is then made available to each person using the trail. This plan is very flexible and allows a trail to be kept up to date with changing features of the seasons, e.g. the flowers. Also, this type of trail is useful in tests.
- 17. Tripod mount. A board bearing a label may be mounted on a tripod where the sign may have to be moved frequently.
- 18. Insect displays. Insects at work on plants near the trail may be displayed by enclosing the plant or branch along with the insects in a celluloid or plastic sleeve. Each end of the sleeve should have a loosely-woven cloth (e.g.

cheesecloth) attached. The sleeve is then fitted over the area of insect activity and the cloth ends tied down. This allows for ventilation. Plastic bags tied over the plant or branch do not work well because it seals off the branch or plant. The temperature inside the bag increases to the detriment of both the plant and insects; in addition the sealed bag would fog due to leaf transpiration of water, followed by condensation on the inside of the bag.

19. If you do not find tracks along the trail, set up a "track recorder". This is simply a perpetual muddy spot that is moistened each evening and checked for new tracks each morning.

By using some of the techniques just described, many conservation ideas may be illustrated along your nature trail. A small one inch deep gully is formed by the same forces that cause large ones. A muddy stream that the trail crosses can be used to tell an important story. Competition of trees can be pointed out; natural pruning may be labeled; rings exposed on an old stump are a life history of that tree. In addition to marking such things found along the trail, conservation demonstrations could be set up. to more clearly illustrate a particular point. "Splash sticks" set up on adjacent bare and grassy ground, a jar of that muddy stream water allowed to settle out, and many many others can be used either with appropriate signs or as lecture material to hit home the story of conservation.

The only limit to the wide use of nature and conservation trails is the imagination and ingenuity of those who are working with the youth of our Province.

Nature trails as part of a summer camp program can be both instructive and fun. I hope some of the suggestions outlined here will be of assistance to you if a nature trail is an activity planned for this year's program.



1957 is International Conservation

### HEAQUARTERS NOTICES

His Excellency the Right Honourable Vincent Massey, C.H., Governor-General of Canada, in his capacity as Chief Scout for Canada, is pleased to announce the following Honours and Awards on the occasion of the anniversary of the birthday of Lord Baden-Powell of Gilwell, Founder, The Boy Scout Movement, February 22nd, 1957.

#### Silver Fox-3

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#### Silver Wolf-2

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Miss Frouida M. Baker, Vancouver, British Columbia.

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Mr. George L. Miller, Fredericton, New Brunswick.

#### Bronze Cross-1

For Gallantry with Special Heroism (Posthumous)

Late Scout Wayne Rudolph Jones, 11, Roblin Troop, Roblin, Manitoba—For his gallant attempt to rescue Gerald Fraser, a non-swimmer, from drowning at the expense of his own life.

### Gilt Cross-2

For Gallantry with Moderate Risk

Cubmaster Jean Louis Caron, 18, 18th St. Fidele Pack, Quebec 3, P.Q.—For his quick thinking and presence of mind in saving two and a half year old Guy Martin from certain death, when he had come within a hair's breadth of being hit by a car.

Scout Joseph Hugh MacFarlane, 15, 17th Sydney Troop, Sydney, Nova Scotia—For the extremely efficient manner in which he rescued 10 year old Doreen Griffin from drowning and the calm way in which he treated her subsequent hysteria.

#### Medal for Meritorious Conduct-1

Scout Eric Gerald MacKenzie, 14, United Church Troop, Woodstock, New Brunswick—For the calm and efficient manner in which he saved his mother from being burned to death when he extinguished her flaming clothing, ignited by exploding gasoline.

#### Certificate of Merit for Gallantry-4

Scout Donald Brockie, 12, 1st Oakville Sea Scout Troop, Oakville, Ontario—For his presence of mind in rescuing two and a half year old Luella May Adamson from drowning after she had fallen from some rocks into Sixteen Mile Creek.

- Scout Stuart Mills, 14, No. 1 Electric (S.A.) Troop, Electric, Ontario—For his presence of mind in rescuing and applying artificial respiration to ten year old Bobby Mills, who was in danger of drowning when his boat was upset.
- Scout Thomas Nippak, 15, 250th Toronto Troop, Toronto, Ontario—For his presence of mind in rescuing Juho Krepp from drowning in the Don River, by pulling him to safety with a rope.

Scout Andre Rode, 15, 5th Oakville Troop, Oakville, Ontario
—For his presence of mind in rescuing and reviving
Jimmy Burman, who was floating face down in Sixteen
Mile Creek.

### Certificate of Meritorious Conduct-2

Cub Richard Chalkin, 8, 1st Langstaff Pack, Richvale Post Office, Ontario—For the efficient manner in which he summoned adult help, thus saving the life of a three year old boy, who was in danger of drowning in water twenty feet deep.

Scout Paul Akehurst, 14, 105th Toronto Troop, Toronto, Ontario—For the efficient manner in which he prevented Nancy Harding from serious loss of blood when he arrested the flow from her severely lacerated arm.

Letter of Commendation for Meritorious Conduct—1
Scout Orland Wasson, 15, 2nd Grand Lake Troop, Newcastle Creek, Queens County, N.B.—For the efficient
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death, when he successfully applied artificial respiration
after she had been removed unconscious from the waters
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For Good Services to Scouting

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Mrs. Myrtle G. Quinn, Group Committee Member, Indian Head, Saskatchewan.

Mrs. Margaret Lawson, District Cubmaster and Cubmaster, Brandon, Manitoba.

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Mr. William D. Coole, Scoutmaster, Vancouver, British Columbia.

- Mr. Alexander Fleming, Scoutmaster and Council Member, Springfield Park, Quebec.
- Mr. Thomas H. Greenway, Provincial Vice-President, President, Greater Winnipeg Metropolitan Council, Winnipeg, Manitoba.
- Mr. Garland G. Hooper, Area Commissioner, Toronto West Area, Greater Toronto Region, Toronto, Ontario.
- Mr. Kenneth R. Jakins, Assistant Provincial Commissioner (Sea Scouts), Lakefield, Ontario.
- Mr. Georges Kelly, Commissaire Federal Adjoint au Louvetisme, Montreal, P.Q.
- Mr. Delbert Fred Law, District Commissioner, St. Vital, Manitoba.
- Mr. Allan Locke, District Scoutmaster, Town of Mount Royal, Montreal, Quebec.
- Mr. Ralph Wendell Phinney, District Commissioner, Kentville, Nova Scotia.
- Mr. J. P. Stocks, Scoutmaster, Penticton, British Columbia.
  Mr. George Struch, Jr., Cubmaster and District Cubmaster,
  Flin Flon, Manitoba.
- Mr. T. Gordon Taylor, Member Provincial Executive Committee and Colchester District Council, Truro, Nova Scotia
- Mr. Wilfrid S. Wootton, District Commissioner, Vancouver, British Columbia.

Miss Verna M. McKereher, Assistant District Commissioner, Port Arthur, N.W. Ontario.

#### ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Canadian General Council of The Boy Scouts Association will be held at the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, Ontario, on Friday, May 10th, 1957, at 3.00 p.m.

A report by the Executive Committee on the work of the past year will be presented and the election of officers for the ensuing year will be held.

#### J.I.M. LEADERS

Mr. Jackson Dodds, Deputy Chief Scout for Canada, will be the leader of the Jamboree Contingent and of the entire Canadian Contingent to the World Jamboree, Indaba and Moot. Mr. Robbert Hartog, Scoutmaster of Toronto, Ont., will lead the Indaba Contingent and Mr. John Snow of Willowdale, Ont., will be the Moot Leader.

#### AMERICAN JAMBOREE

Mr. Eli Boyaner, Provincial Commissioner for New Brunswick, will be the leader of the Canadian Contingent to the 4th American Jamboree being held at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania.

## Wood Badge Courses at Gilwell Park in 1957

During 1957 many Canadian Scouters will be travelling to the United Kingdom, and they may wish to avail themselves of the opportunity of taking a Wood Badge course at Gilwell Park.

The following is the list of courses and dates:—

#### Cub Courses

- Monday, 25th March—Saturday, 30th March, 1957 (Indoor)
- Monday, 13th May—Saturday, 18th May, 1957.
- Saturday, 1st June—Thursday,
   6th June, 1957.
- Monday, 24th June—Saturday, 29th June, 1957.
- Monday, 15th July—Saturday, 20th July, 1957.
- Tuesday, 20th August—Sunday,
   25th August, 1957.
- Monday, 26th August—Saturday, 31st August, 1957.
- Monday, 16th September—Saturday, 21st September, 1957.

#### Scout Courses

- 251. Saturday, 6th April—Sunday, 14th April, 1957.
- Saturday, 18th May—Sunday, 26th May, 1957.
- Saturday, 15th June—Sunday,
   23rd June, 1957.

- Saturday, 6th July—Sunday, 14th July, 1957.
- 255. Saturday, 20th July—Sunday, 28th July, 1957.
- Saturday, 17th August—Sunday, 25th August, 1957.
- Monday, 19th August—Tuesday, 27th August, 1957.
- Wednesday, 21st August—Thursday, 29th August, 1957.
- Friday, 23rd August—Saturday, 31st August, 1957.
- Saturday, 24th August—Sunday, 1st September, 1957.
- Wednesday, 28th August—Thursday, 5th September, 1957.
- Saturday, 14th September—Sunday, 22nd September, 1957.

#### Rover Courses

- Saturday, 20th July—Saturday, 27th July, 1957.
- Saturday, 24th August—Saturday, 31st August, 1957.

It will be noted that those persons travelling as part of the Canadian Contingent to the Jubilee Jamboree, Indaba and Moot will be able to participate in Cub Course 152, Scout Courses 255, 256 and Rover Course 16, and then only if a Scouter is fortunate enough to be assigned to a flight which will make it possible to be in attendance on the given dates.

Of course, Scouters making their own private arrangements to travel to the United Kingdom for business, holiday or the Indaba may participate in any of the above courses.

By international agreement Scouters participating in foreign Wood Badge courses must fulfil admission requirements of their own country, and the host country. To qualify for admission to the above courses applicants from Canada must be 21 years of age or over for Cub and Scout courses, and 25 and over for Rover courses. Applicants must be Warrant holders, and must have at least six months experience as a Scouter in a Section. It is recommended that Part I or Preliminary training be prerequisites.

Scouters desirous of availing themselves of the above training opportunities must apply in the first instance to their District Commissioner. District Commissioners will forward approved applications to Provincial Headquarters for approval and transmission to Canadian Headquarters. Applications must be submitted to the training Department at Canadian Headquarters at least 60 days prior to the opening day of the course in order that reservations may be made with Gilwell Park and the applicant notified of acceptance.



### THE JAMBOREE SONG OF 1957

By RALPH READER

Music and words reprinted from The Scouter of England

Verse: March, march, march on the road with me

To the Boy Scout Jamboree.

Join the throng and swing along,

As we sing our song.

Chorus: Jamboree (clap, clap), Jamboree (clap, clap)

Come, give three hearty cheers, And we'll march along together,

Another Fifty Years.

Verse: Ev'ry hour let the valleys ring
With the Scouty songs we sing,
Underneath the stars at night,

In the camp-fire's light.

Verse: Marching on with the B.-P. lead, Every colour, every creed, All for one and life is good,

In our Brotherhood.

Verse: We're the boys of the left-hand shake, Boy Scouts all and wide-awake, Hiking over hill and dale, Singing on the trail.

Verse: Years from now down a mem'ry lane, We shall walk and live again Those great days with you and me At the Jamboree!

Sip. Sip. Hooray! Coca Cola

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### SUPPLEMENTARY PRICE LIST

The following amendments and additions to the 1957 Catalogue will become effective April 15th, 1957

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Cub Belt	4.25	each each			
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Scout Hat	1.75		Sea Scout Caps Boys		_ 3.50 eacl
		each	Sea Scout Shirt Boys flannel		5.50 eacl
			Sea Scout Bell Bottom Sea Scout Leaders Cap		6.50 each
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Scout Drill Shirt	3.95	each	Sea Scout Leaders Shirt		0.2) Cac
Scout Flannel Shirt	5.50	each	Neckerchief No. 1 plain		50 eacl
Scout Belt	2.50	each	Neckerchief No. 2 diagonal.		60 eacl
Scout Shorts 29-34	4.75	each	Neckerchief No. 3 border		70 eacl
Scout Hose 10-12	1.95	each			
			T Shirts Boys size		
Leader's Hat	6.00	each	T Shirts Men's size		_ 1.50 eacl
Leader's Drill Shirt			Sweat Shirt Boys' size		1.75 each
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