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# EDITORIAL

It has been said that youth is fortified by hope and old age is soothed by content. Youth looks forward with hope, old age looks round with content, and some day, when I grow old, I am going to look round with great content. In the meantime you who are not over eighty-one must go on with the work you are doing; there couldn't be better work, and you will be earning your old-age pension of content when you will be able to look back with satisfaction on having done a work that was worthwhile. And to the younger ones I say press forward with hope; mix it with optimism and temper it with the sense of humour which enables you to face difficulties with a sense of proportion. Press forward with a Faith in the soundness of the Movement and its future possibilities, and press forward with Love which is the most powerful agent of all. That spirit of love is the spirit of God working within you.

Remember, "Now abideth Faith, and Hope, and Love—these three. But the greatest of these is Love."

Carry on in that spirit and you cannot fail.

December, 1937. From "B.-P.'s Outlook"

These words of B.-P. should inspire us with renewed vigor and enthusiasm for the Scouting year which is now unfolding before us. 'Love'—this beautiful, humanitarian concept is found as the central theme of all the great religions. It is certainly one of the fundamental ideals of our Movement and more than a small amount of credit for the increasing understanding between the peoples of the world can be attributed to the work of the Scout Movement of which we, as Scouters, are a very important part. However, one doesn't have to listen to the radio or read the newspapers for very long to realize that we have a long, long way to go before there exists a true brotherly relationship between all peoples; we must overcome racial, moral and social obstacles. As Leaders, let us show the way.

It is necessary to pursue an activity which will help produce thinking men. In our youngsters lies hope for the future; in order to have faith in these future leaders we must execute our responsibility as today's leaders and try to illustrate and to exemplify for them that abstract term 'the good citizen'. All too often the important concepts 'Faith' and 'Hope' are lost from sight in this cold, scientific world. We, in the Scout Movement, have always been very much concerned with the preservation of ideals; today, however, we are faced with the question—will humanity survive? It is in the rational judgment of people who concern themselves with others, that one finds hope for the future.

All of us have thought many times about our roles as Scouters. As this is the beginning of a new year, and for some of us the turning of a new leaf, let us run over some of the sign posts which may help us in 1958.

\* Our main function is to help build citizens of imagination and purpose.

\* We must remember—B.-P. visualized Scouting as a game. The spirit of this game will be lost if we do not adhere to its ideals and willingly interpret programmes with imagination.

\* If, as individuals, we do not have a well-rounded and interesting life, we cannot hope to bring a broad-minded interpretation of life's activities to our boys. It has been said of B.-P. that he was one of the most versatile men of his age.

\* We can only contribute our best to Scouting if the other important areas of our life, home, social and employment, are running smoothly.

\* The leisure hours of one's life should provide an outlet for those emotional and creative needs that are not satisfied during school or working hours. Through Scouting these needs can be directed into productive, satisfying and socially acceptable channels for both adults and boys.

\* We must always keep before us our past experiences if we are to benefit from them.

Above all, we must have a sincere 'faith, hope and love' in our attitude towards others and then put this across to the boys we are leading.

## OUR COVER:

Fifteen-year-old Scout Joseph Hugh MacFarlane received the Gilt Cross, an award for meritorious conduct, from Canada's Chief Scout, Governor-General Vincent Massey at the Government House Investiture Ceremony on November 28th. Scout MacFarlane rescued 10-year-old Doreen Griffin who was in danger of drowning.



# 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 giving me such an interesting account of your Troop's Christmas party. The suggestion of your Court of Honour to make it a joint affair with your Church's Girl Guide Company was a very good one and I am glad that you, the Guide Captain and your Group Committee fell in with the idea. From what you tell me, everyone certainly had a wonderful time. The Christmas and New Year season is an ideal time for us to get together socially with the members of our sister Movement and I do hope that more Groups will adopt the idea next year.

Well, here we are at the commencement of another year! The fifty-first year of Scouting! And this brings to my mind some words out of the Jubilee

Jamboree song: "We'll march along together another fifty years.", and also some words of Lady Baden-Powell at the closing ceremonies of the Jamboree: "The end is only the beginning." As you know, she was referring to the end of the Jubilee Jamboree held in celebration of Scouting's first fifty years which marked the beginning of the second fifty years. She was also suggesting that, as we look over the achievements of the past, we should resolve to make the second fifty years even more memorable, in terms of growth and accomplishment, than the first fifty.

You and I are not likely to be around when the hundredth anniversary of Scouting is reached, but when the people in Scouting at that time assess the progress made in the second fifty years of Scouting in Canada, I feel confident that whatever progress has been made will depend largely on how well we met the challenge which faces the Movement in Canada today. What is this challenge? Well, briefly stated, I think it is this. We are living in a rapidly expanding country in a fastly changing world. Our material advances, which are impressive, have brought with them significant changes in our economic and social patterns of life. These changes cannot be ignored and, if Scouting is to continue to make a significant contribution to the training of our youth, we must not only be fully aware of the nature of these changes but we must be ready to adapt our

programme and, if necessary, to revise our organization to meet the needs of these changing conditions. I do not suggest that there should be any sacrifice of our basic principles. On the contrary, these must be maintained at the highest level but, insofar as our programme and organization are concerned, these I think, must be geared to what is our most important objective—that is, to give every boy in this country the opportunity of becoming a member of the Boy Scout Movement. Certainly, as we look into the future, we can see the great potential of Scouting and, while present world conditions may seem to belie our words, the Scout Law and the Scout Promise can and will, if we do the job to which we have dedicated ourselves, make a tremendous contribution to the ultimate true peace of the world.

I wish I had more time to develop these thoughts with you but at last here is an outline of what I think we should take with us into the second fifty years of Scouting.

Please extend to your boys my best wishes for Good Scouting in 1958, and give my warmest greetings for the New Year to Betty and the children.

Yours truly,

*Chief Executive Commissioner.*

## REALISTIC FIRST AID IN CASUALTY SIMULATION

Casualty simulation is an effective means of adding realism to the first-aid training of Boy Scouts. It has also been demonstrated that boys, and Leaders, who have coped with the 'open fracture of the tibia' or the 'loose nail' realize more clearly how necessary and valuable this training is.

At the Ottawa District Boy Scout Camp, Opemikon, on Christie Lake, casualty simulation played its first role this past summer.

Early one evening, Scoutmaster O. E. Patterson, who had along with nine other Ottawa Scout Leaders completed

a Basic Course in Casualty Simulation at the Civil Defence College at Arran, Ontario, prepared a simulated open fracture of the tibia on the leg of Patrol Leader Keith Graham. The "victim" was then placed at the edge of a stony, root-covered path and surrounded by all the accident indications, such as trampled undergrowth and dislodged stones; when running down the path, he "had caught" his foot in a projecting root, fallen heavily on a large rock, and smashed his leg.

Noting that Keith was absent, a search party set out to find him. The

alarm was given and things began to happen—blankets, a stretcher and First Aid Kit were hurried to the spot and first aid rendered, the victim meanwhile acting his "pain" realistically.

When the "victim" and his colleagues arrived back at the camp hospital, the nurse, who together with the Leaders, was the only one "in the know", had prepared herself to give a talk on the correct way to deal with this sort of fracture.

Casualty simulation courses are offered by Civil Defence stations across the country.





Dear Sir:

Our Troop recently reached the happy financial position where a bank account became desirable. Since P.O. & R. states that funds should be under the control of at least two persons, I asked the manager of the local bank how such an account could be arranged. In explaining the procedure to me he mentioned that very few small groups have such accounts and they usually let one person handle the funds alone with the resultant risk of loss.

I believe that many more Scout Groups would handle their funds in the proper manner if they knew how simple the procedure is. Perhaps you could prevail upon a banker friend of the Movement to write a story telling Scouters and Committeemen about the best banking methods for Scout Groups.

Yours truly,

Flt. Sgt. J. L. Barrett,

SM, 1st Greenwood Troop,  
Greenwood, N.S.

★ Rather than publish an article on banking methods for Groups, we would like to suggest that Scouters discuss this question with their local bankers. Bank managers in every community would be more than happy to outline the proper methods to be used, and the relationship between Scouter or Group Committeeman and banker could develop into a greater interest on the part of this important member of your community. Even if you don't have a banking problem we would suggest you invite a banker to one of your meetings where the boys could meet him informally and talk over things financial. By the way, every bank in Canada has a number of extremely useful booklets and pamphlets dealing with everything from conservation to budgeting. Ask your local banker about those issued by his bank.

Dear Sir:

This is the first occasion I have ever had to write to a publication but I hope that what I have to say will pro-

vide some food for thought for other Scouters, whether or not they agree with my personal views.

In the May edition of *The Scout Leader*, I noticed a chart which illustrated the growth of Cub and Scout membership since 1921. Two things struck me as soon as I looked at it. The first thing was that while the Wolf Cub membership shows a steady and continuing increase, the Scout membership was remaining practically the same over the years, percentage-wise. The second point was that the present Cub figures are more than double those of Scouts. The question in my mind was, "Why?" I feel the following might be a good part of the reason.

Too many Scouters today are becoming Cubmasters and not enough are becoming Scoutmasters. If more stress could be placed on the need for Scout Leadership, as such, I feel certain that our Scout population would show a decided increase. Let's look at some facts. When the Founder created the Movement, he meant it for Scouting, not Cubbing. Scouting is the Senior arm of the Movement and Cubbing was later created to provide younger boys with the opportunity of preparing themselves to be Scouts. In other words, Cubbing was designed only as a branch of the main section of Scouting.

How many of us know of people who seem to think that the main function of a Scout Group is to provide Cubbing for as many boys as possible, with the idea that, if the boy wants to bad enough, he can go up into the Troop, which is a rather good place to go once he is too old to continue in the Pack?

The Pack becomes the main object in the Group's eyes, while the Troop is regarded as a sort of poor relation who must be tolerated to a certain extent as it is a necessary evil. Let's try to wash this idea out of our minds and look at things in the light in which

B.-P. designed them. I am certainly not accusing every Group of this feeling, but it certainly does exist in some places. Let's do all we can to make certain we stay on the right track and not let the Scouting train be diverted onto a siding.

There are many factors which influence boys of Scout age—those who do not become Scouts. As a boy grows into his early 'teens, he is subjected to a variety of conflicting interests such as sports, school work, social life, etc. These things exist and must be reckoned with. But, if enough interested Leaders could be found to do the job properly, then it is almost a certainty that more boys would be in Scouting than are at present.

Admittedly, a Scoutmaster must spend more time with his Troop than a Cubmaster must with a Pack. This cuts down on the Leader's home and social life. But those of us who are active Scout Leaders do not find we are sacrificing too much in leading a Troop as we appreciate the work very much.

Before becoming a Scoutmaster I spent over five years as an Akela and enjoyed it. But since I made the switch, I have become more aware than ever before of just what Scouting is and means. My own interest in the Movement has been nearly tripled in comparison to what it was before and I find much more personal satisfaction in the job I'm now doing than I ever had as a Cubmaster. Certainly, I am away from home on weekends now and spend an extra night or two a week on Scout work, which is something I rarely did as a Cubmaster, but I like it and do not begrudge the extra time in any way. Please do not misunderstand me; I think Cubbing is wonderful and definitely serves a useful purpose in the Movement, provided it is regarded in the proper light. But why can't some of these very efficient Cub Leaders (male, of course) switch over to real

Scouting and thus provide the much needed leadership now lacking? Most of them would probably find, as I did, that it will bring it's own rewards.

No doubt many Scouters, especially Cub Scouters, will differ with me, but if my letter can arouse even a bit of controversy, then some good to Scouting in Canada may result. Wouldn't it be a wonderful thing if the figures on that chart showed a gain by Scouts over the Cubs in the next few years?

Yours truly,

Gary S. Ireland, SM,  
10th Scarboro West Troop,  
36 Rothwell Rd.,  
Scarboro, Ont.

★ The ideas and opinions expressed are those of the writer and do not necessarily represent the opinion of the Association. Therefore we would suggest that replies to this letter be directed to Mr. Ireland:



**Mr. Sydney Young**

Mr. Sydney Young recently joined Canadian Headquarters as Assistant Executive Commissioner (Publications) from his previous position as Field Commissioner for the North Area of the Toronto Metropolitan Headquarters Staff. 'Syd' holds the Wood Badge and has attended the Canadian Scouters Training Course, has taken part in many Jamborees, Camporees, displays and camps as well as taking an active interest in the development of the Regional Scout Reserve at Haliburton and the Composite Camp Kennaway.

He began his Scouting career in 1932 with the 40th Toronto Pack. While in the 40th Troop he gained his Queen's Scout, Gold Cord, Bushman's Thong and Silver Wings. He became Troop Leader, Assistant Scoutmaster and served as Assistant Rover Scout Leader with the 40th Rover Crew. During the Second World War he served with the R.C.A.F. and the Royal Canadian Artillery.



Rt. Rev. E. S. Reed, Anglican Bishop of Ottawa receives the Silver Wolf.

## Investiture at Government House

The Rt. Hon. Vincent Massey, CH, Governor-General, in his capacity as Chief Scout for Canada, invested 29 recipients of gallantry and service awards at a morning ceremony at Government House on November 28th.

Two Scout gallantry awards were presented posthumously: Mrs. Katharine F. Baranski of Preston, Ont., received the Bronze Cross on behalf of her late son Scout Wayne Baranski; Mr. Sheldon L. Jones of Roblin, Manitoba, received the Bronze Cross on behalf of his late son, Scout Wayne Rudolph Jones.

Canada's Governor-General was pleasantly surprised when, as the colourful ceremony in the ballroom neared its close, Canada's Deputy Chief Scout, Mr. Jackson Dodds, invested the Chief Scout with the British Boy Scouts' Silver Wolf on behalf of

Lord Rowallan, Chief Scout of the British Commonwealth and Empire.

One Wolf Cub, Timothy Atkins of Deep Cove, B.C., received the Silver Cross; Scout Joseph Hugh MacFarlane of Sydney, N.S., was presented with the Gilt Cross and a similar award went to Cubmaster Jean-Louis Caron of Quebec, Que. Medals for Meritorious Conduct were presented to Scout Eric Gerald MacKenzie of Woodstock, N.B., and to former Scout William Lawrence Birney of Vancouver, B.C. Eight adults received the Silver Wolf and 14 were awarded the Silver Acorn.

Following the ceremony the Chief Scout received the award recipients, after which they and their guests were entertained at a reception. The RCAF Band played prior to and at the close of the ceremony which was televised by the CBC and featured on their National News Service the same evening.

## LOST Gun Stapler

belonging to the Canadian Jubilee "JIM" Contingent equipment department.

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of this piece of equipment is requested to write the Administration Department at Canadian Headquarters, 306 Metcalfe St., Ottawa 4, Ontario.

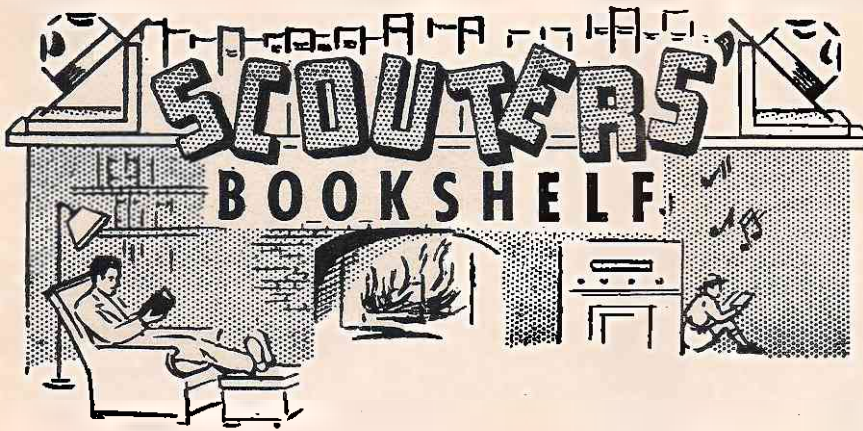
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Mr. Amiss makes a hobby of collecting Scout badges which he often loans to exhibitions, Open Nights, etc.





### The Black Whippet

By S. Sutton-Vane

Illustrated by Janet and Ann Graham-Johnstone

Published by The Macmillan Co. of Canada Ltd., Toronto

Price \$2.75

Although racing dogs are not nearly as popular in this country as they are in the United Kingdom, anyone who has enjoyed training a dog will find this book most interesting. The captivating story is about a beautiful black whippet who joins a family as a pup and is trained to be a champion racing dog. The events are skillfully woven into a fascinating novel by the author. The illustrations by the Misses Graham-Johnstone contribute a great deal to the feeling of movement and excitement in this book. We would highly recommend it to anyone who loves dogs or enjoys a thrilling animal story.

### The Great Chief

By Kery Wood

Price \$2.00

Published by The Macmillan Co. of Canada Ltd., Toronto

This is an intriguing historical novel about Canadian Indians. The Great Chief discussed in this book is Maskpeton the great Cree leader who earned the title of peacemaker. Although not highly remembered in Indian legends or songs this great ruler of the Canadian plains made a vital and outstanding contribution to peace in his day. The author writes with the confidence of a keen outdoors man and his careful presentation of facts shows painstaking research. Mr. Wood lives at the moment in Red Deer, Alberta. This book is recommended as a gift item or as an addition to a Troop library.

### Trail Maker

By R. S. Lambert

Price \$2.95

Published by McClelland and Stewart Ltd., Toronto

This is a story about one of Canada's outstanding explorers, Alexander MacKenzie. The spirit-stirring details of this man's life provide excellent yarn material for Cubs or Scouts and we recommend this book to Scouters for that purpose. Although Mr. Lambert did not write this book as a reference work primarily, it does provide a textbook approach enabling readers to check regularly on Canadian historical facts. We do not find this distracting although younger readers might immediately classify it as a school textbook. We would particularly recommend this tale to Rover Scout Leaders as the book would make an excellent background for a study on "Canadian Frontiersmen" by Rovers.

### The Salt Water Men

By Joseph Schull

Illustrated by Ed McNally

Price \$2.00

Published by The Macmillan Co. of Canada, Ltd., Toronto

This is an ideal presentation book for Sea Scouts and Scouters or for any boy who enjoys the thrilling stories of Canadian seamen. A real Canadian Sea Scout should know the story of the "Marco Polo" which was in its day the fastest ship in the world. She put to shame the many critics who claimed that New Brunswick shipyards could not build a sailing ship as good as those produced in the old world. The absorbing story of the building of the "Marco Polo" and of her engineer James Smith and Bully Forbes, the outstanding Captain who sailed her, is a thrilling chapter in our history. Then there is the very interesting tale

of the "W. L. Lawrence", another Canadian ship, who earned the name of the largest sailing ship afloat. The author's extensive research coupled with his highly interesting and readable method of presentation has produced an exceptionally fine book which we recommend highly. The illustrations are well done and we are sure our younger readers will enjoy this book.

### Dark Amazon

By Martin Gregg

Illustrated by Stuart Tresilian

Price \$1.75

Published by The Macmillan Co. of Canada Ltd., Toronto

This adventure story will appeal to any boy from 11 to 17. With a quickly paced easy-to-read style the author reveals the experiences of a white man and his cannibal friend in the Amazon jungle, Brazil. This is the kind of book that once you start reading you simply cannot put it down until you have finished it. Just to check, your reviewer asked three teenagers to read this book and their immediate reaction was excellent. "Where can we get another one just like it". It is a small book and does not take long to read and yet each adventure is told with careful detail. This is a highly recommended novel.

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# SCOUTING Digest

## Canadian Room at Kanderstag Opened

The "Canadian" room in the International Scout chalet at Kanderstag, Switzerland, was formally opened by Fred J. Finlay, Chief Executive Commissioner for Canada, on his visit to the chalet which followed Jubilee J.I.M.

Every effort is being made to make the room truly 'Canadian' by Canadian Rover Scouts who are providing the funds for the maple furniture, draperies and other equipment.

Other Canadians present at the ceremony included: Eli Boyaner, leader of the Canadian Jamboree contingent; John Snow, Willowdale, Ontario, leader of the Rover Contingent; Dr. S. Alan Hopper, Moncton, New Brunswick, and Rover Scout Leader Murray Hopper also of Moncton.

Accepting the Canadian Rovers' gift was Dr. H. R. Sterchi of Berne, Switzerland, president of the Boy Scouts' Alpine Club, and Max Schneider of Berne, secretary of the club.

Dr. Sterchi and Mr. Schneider were made honorary Canadian Boy Scouts and were presented with Canadian Scout neckerchiefs and insignia.

## 17th Sydney Has Packed Programme

The 17th Sydney, Nova Scotia, Troop recently enjoyed a tour through the Dominion Steel and Coal Company plant, Sydney, where an open hearth was tapped allowing them to watch molten steel being poured into railway track, various sized nail and steel plate forms.

This action-minded Troop included in its Conservation Programme, the responsibility of checking each day a number of saplings planted by the city, and reporting any damage before it was too late.

The 17th Sydney also organized a St. John's Ambulance course for the older boys and invited other Troops to take part.

Scout Joseph Hugh MacFarlane, 15, of this Troop received the Gilt Cross,

in Ottawa, in November 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.

## 9 Scouts Hike 100 Miles In B.C. Wilderness

Nine adventurous British Columbia Scouts—three men and six boys—made history when they trail-blazed rugged wilderness of interior British Columbia between Forbidden Plateau and Great Central Lake.

The Port Alberni Scouts under the leadership of Scoutmaster Art Skipsey trekked at least 100 miles of which only about 30 had trails. The group left Forbidden Plateau lodge on August 24 and arrived at the head of Great Central Lake on September 2.

Because even the most detailed of maps proved incorrect, the group encountered many surprises and fortunately were able to dig into their own resources of woodcraft to carry them through the ordeal.

One Scout had worn off the heels of his shoes and when the nails started to stick up a quarter of an inch he padded the soles with paper. When the paper had worn through, he used moss.

The group encountered human habitation just once—halfway on their course they came upon a logging camp at Buttle Lake.

## International Cairn at Montreal

A four pound square stone from near the grave of Lord Baden-Powell in Nyeri, Kenya, was presented to Canadian Scouts as an addition to the international cairn at Montreal.

The building of this cairn from stones collected from all parts of the world is a project of Quebec Scouts. It will be outside the Quebec Provincial Headquarters in Montreal.

Eli Boyaner, leader of the Canadian Jamboree Contingent, accepted the stone from Rev. Frank Beford, leader of the Kenya group.

## U.S. Scout Meets Our Queen

During the recent Royal visit to Canada and the United States there was one particular unscheduled incident which is of interest to those in Scouting. The Queen, on her arrival at the White House, heard that a Boy Scout was at the gate, eager to give her something; the Queen asked that the car be stopped.

The Scout, who later confessed to having rehearsed his speech for a week, had difficulty in stammering through, whereupon the Queen asked him to enter the car and sit down beside her.

After some encouraging words on the part of the Queen, the Scout 'got through' his speech and presented Queen Elizabeth with four hand-carved tie-rings for herself, her husband and her children.

## Highway Safety Card

In an attempt to stress the importance of highway safety rules, the Fort Erie Scouters' Council of the Split Rock District, Ontario, has issued a 'Highway Safety Code' card to all Cubs and Scouts in the area.

The card contains the basic traffic rules, details on how to report accidents and a place for those all important telephone numbers. All this information is on a 2½ inch by 3½ inch folded card which can easily be carried in a boy's pocket.

## J.I.M. Scouts Say Thank You

It was pleasing to hear that Scouts of the Windsor area took special pains to write 'thank you' notes to those persons who, in one way or another, assisted in preparing them for their recent trip to the American and World Jamborees. It is to be hoped that all Scouts who either have or will receive aid enabling them to attend such functions will graciously say thank you.



## Have You Contributed to the-- B.-P. CENTENARY FUND

Our Canadian Objective for This Fund Is \$50,000.



Brought forward as of.....	\$5,252.56	55th "D" Ottawa (Manor Park School, Community) Cub Pack .....	5.00
2nd Ottawa (Stewarton United) Scout Troop .....	1.40	56th "A" Ottawa (Kingsway United) Cub Pack .....	2.80
6th Ottawa (All Saints', Laurier E., Anglican) Scout Group Committee .....	10.00	56th "B" (Kingsway United) Cub Pack .....	2.20
6th Ottawa (All Saints', Laurier E., Anglican) Cub Pack .....	2.35	57th Ottawa (St. John's, Anglican) Ladies' Auxiliary .....	3.20
7th Ottawa (St. Stephen's, Presbyterian) .....	3.70	57th "A" (St. John's, Anglican) Cub Pack .....	5.00
16th Ottawa (St. Luke's, Anglican) Scout Group Committee .....	3.70	62nd Ottawa (St. Columba's, Anglican) Scout Group Committee .....	6.00
17th "A" Ottawa (Southminster, United) Cub Pack .....	8.40	69th "B" Ottawa (St. Thomas the Apostle, Anglican) Cub Pack .....	4.18
19th Ottawa (Lady Evelyn School, Community) Cub Pack .....	3.90	74th Ottawa (Elmvale Acres, Community) Cub Pack .....	1.80
26th Ottawa (St. Matthew's, Anglican) Sea Scout Troop .....	5.00	76th Ottawa (Salvation Army Citadel, Slater St.) Cub Pack .....	1.00
29th Ottawa (Church of the Ascension, Anglican) Cub Pack .....	2.50	2nd Aylmer (St. Mark's, R.C.) Cub Pack .....	3.00
30th Ottawa (St. Margaret Mary's, R.C.) Cub Pack .....	2.00	1st Chelsea (St. Stephen's, R.C.) Cub Pack .....	4.00
33rd Ottawa (Canadian Martyrs', R.C.) Cub Pack .....	3.20	1st Leitrim (St. James', Anglican) Cub Pack .....	3.00
34th Ottawa (Erskine, Presbyterian) Cub Pack .....	2.00	1st Osgoode (Osgoode Community) Scout Group Committee .....	5.00
38th "B" Ottawa (All Saints', Westboro, Anglican) Cub Pack .....	5.00	1st Richmond (Richmond Community) Scout Troop .....	3.00
39th Ottawa (B'nai B'rith, Hebrew) Cub Pack .....	2.50	1st Stittsville (Wesley United) Cub Pack .....	1.70
49th Ottawa (St. Joseph's, R.C.) Scout Troop .....	3.00	Executive & Commissioners Council .....	10.80
49th "B" Ottawa (St. Joseph's, R.C.) Cub Pack .....	3.00	23rd Victoria Group (Colwood) Cub Pack .....	2.00
51st Ottawa (Agudath Israel, Hebrew) Cub Pack .....	1.60	3B Wolf Cub Pack, Tillsonburg, Ont. ....	4.00
68th Ottawa (Fairfield, Community) Scout Troop .....	4.50	209th Group Committee .....	10.00
68th Ottawa (Fairfield, Community) Cub Pack .....	5.00	90th Group Committee (Scouts & Cubs) .....	11.00
52nd "B" Ottawa (City View School, Community) Cub Pack .....	1.20	229th Boy Scouts Ladies' Auxiliary .....	10.00
54th Ottawa (R.C.A.F. Rockcliffe, Community) Ladies' Auxiliary .....	1.50	81st B Pack .....	4.00
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54th "C" Ottawa (R.C.A.F. Rockcliffe, Community) Cub Pack .....	3.20	1st Oriole Boy Scouts Group .....	4.67
54th "E" Ottawa (R.C.A.F. Rockcliffe, Community) Cub Pack .....	3.70	Reunion of 1957 Pack Scouters, Part II Course, G.T.R. ....	14.00
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These Cub 'pioneers' of Southern Alberta had a wonderful time taking part in the pageant depicting the early settling of Alberta. In Lethbridge, 1,200 Cubs and Scouts took part in a parade and evening pageant to celebrate 'B.-P.' year.

### 1,200 Cubs and Scouts Celebrate 'B.-P.' Year With Parade and Pageant

Some 1,200 Cubs and Scouts from Southern Alberta and 80 Scouts from Great Falls, Montana, massed in the Lethbridge, Alberta, arena on October 19th to pay tribute to the 50th anniversary of Scouting and the 100th anniversary of the birth of Lord Baden-Powell in a gigantic pageant depicting Scout activities and the early settling of Alberta.

The 2,000 spectators thrilled to the costumed portrayal of Indians, pioneers, explorers, Royal North West Mounted Police and the laying of the CPR. Winter and summer camping scenes were depicted with all the accompany-

ing woodsman's gear. The Montana Scouts contributed a well-executed exhibition of firelighting and Indian dancing.

Earlier in the afternoon the Cubs and Scouts took part in a colourful uniformed parade through the city and were reviewed by civic and Scout officials including Provincial Commissioner F. S. Fry of Calgary and R. D. McDermott, Great Falls, Montana, Scout Executive.

The parade and evening pageant highlighted the 'B.-P.' year celebrations for Southern Alberta Scouts and Cubs. It was the first time such a large number of Alberta Cubs and Scouts had massed to pay tribute to the Founder of the Movement.

The celebrations were sponsored by the Lethbridge District Council.



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### Scouts Scale Mount Marcy

The 5,000 ft. peak of Mount Marcy highest peak in the Adirondacks, was the goal to be conquered by the 17 Scouts and nine Leaders who set out from Ancaster, Ontario, on October 12.

The Ancaster group under the direction of Anthony W. Harding, DSM, were the guests of Troop 10, Lake Placid, N.Y. Qualifications for the expedition were stiff and only First Class Scouts in perfect health were included.

The exhausting climb was scheduled for Sunday. Two Lake Placid Leaders accompanied the group as well as Explorer Scout Chris Rounds who acted as guide.

Before the ascent could begin there was a seven and a half mile trek. The trail itself was icy and there were snow

flurries. At Indian Falls, half way up, a stop was made for sandwiches, soup and coffee. The summit was reached about mid-day. The temperature hovered at 13 degrees. A plaque commemorating the first group to reach the summit and dated 1837 was found.

The descent was made without incident.

The Canadian group returned home on the Monday, tired but pleased that Troop 10 of Lake Placid had accepted their invitation to visit Ancaster in the Spring.

Deputy Directors for the expedition were: Thomas Simpson, DC, and Richard A. Morris, SM. The Scouts were from the 6th and 4th Ancaster Troops; the Rovers from the 40th St. Enoch's Crew.

## The Singing Jonas Clan

By FATHER G. GOYETTE, Falher, Alta.

At Falher, Alberta, there exists an unusual Rover Crew whose members not only attend the Notre-Dame-de-la-Paix college but also sit on the Students' Council.

The crew was formed two years ago by those graduating Scouts of the 2nd Falher, Alberta, Troop whose members also attend the college.

The distinctive feature of this Jonas Clan, as they call themselves, is the close relationship with an institution outside Scouting; also, because they are serious students, their Scout programme veers away from the 'service to the community' theme of other Rover groups. The roles the boys play within the clan correspond to those they hold on the Student's Council; e.g. treasurer, secretary, president, etc. The projects that are undertaken complement their academic studies. For instance, the boys of the Clan last year began a study of Biblical passages, tracing the

various trips of the Patriarchs and of St. Paul. They did a complete study of Abraham's trip from Ur to Haran and from there to Sichem.

One other notable feature of this group is their singing. As a group (all but one) they specialize in writing and singing Scout songs and two years ago as members of the 2nd Falher Troop they published a song book entitled, 'The Boy Scout Smiles and Sings'. In fact, every meeting in the Jonas Castle is officially opened by song.

This castle meeting place with its saw dust insulation and small stove was given to them by the Father Superior of the College. The small round table was built by the boys themselves.

The Clan members are most anxious to exchange viewpoints on several subjects with other Crews and are now busily preparing for the 1959 Moot to be held north of Banff.

## What Is Honour?

The word honour is similar to the word democracy in that both terms refer to something that is at once abstract and very real. There can be no factual or 'right' definition about something that can't be pinned down; we can only enumerate certain of the characteristics which we feel are included and then rely on metaphorical language to convey the 'whole' of the concept. A Windsor, Ontario, Scouter contributes the following unique simile on honour.

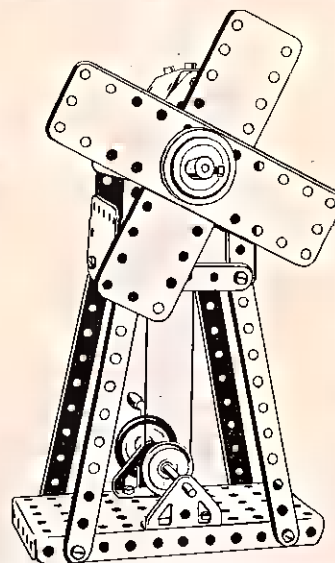
"When talking to a recruit about honour, I always think of an answer that was given me by a boy some years ago when he was asked to explain what he meant by honour: He answered, 'I think of my honour as a sieve through which all my thoughts must pass before I allow them to become words or deeds. If I allow dirty thoughts to pass through the sieve becomes dirty and makes other things coming through dirty also. Therefore I must keep it clean and bright at all times'."



## Cub Masters:-

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# PACK HOLIDAYS ARE FUN!

By CUBMASTER EDWARD C. EMERY, 5th Regina 'A' Pack

I am sure that Cubmasters, regardless of their location in Canada, have spent time and energy worrying about the ever-expanding size of their Pack.

Many of us are prone to throw our doors wide open, to accept new chums as they arrive at the door and to feel that we as Leaders have an obligation to accept all boys that come our way. I wonder sometimes if we are not running into the danger of sacrificing quality for quantity. 'Policy, Organization and Rules' is quite emphatic about the size of a Pack—a maximum of 36 Cubs and four Leaders. This is not an arbitrary decision by the Canadian General Council but one based on long experience with boys of Cub age.

What are some of the reasons behind this thinking? First of all, boys of Cub age have a real need to be accepted as individuals by adults. If the Cub is to feel accepted and if the Leader is to become interested in the boy, then there must be a close, personal relationship between the two. If the time comes when the Leader is not able to call his Cubs by name, help them with their special problems and get to know their parents, then the Pack is definitely too large. Both Leader and Cub then lose out on what could be a beneficial relationship.

Regardless of the number of Assistant Cubmasters Akela, being head of the Pack, is responsible for keeping the group small enough so that those boys who need his help and are too withdrawn to ask for it, (either verbally or through their actions), are not left by the wayside to eventually drop out. When a Pack is large, the Leaders often hit only the high spots in problem areas and are not left with enough time and energy to talk personally to the Cubs or to plan a programme that will cater to their needs.

Leaders of average size Packs realize that by knowing each of their boys well they are better able to meet with parents and discuss their son intelligently and with a degree of insight. Much of our interpretation of the Pack programme and the resultant co-operation of parents and members of the community is done through phone calls and home visits; with a large Pack, this is impossible!

You may ask, "My Pack is fairly

large now and there is a long waiting list of boys wanting to join; how am I going to cut down?" We were faced with this problem a few months ago and after putting our heads together, we came up with a solution that enabled us to bring more boys into Scouting and also to use the services of willing parents.

Our area is rather large, with boys travelling 13 or 14 blocks to attend a meeting. We approached the Group Committee who was most sympathetic to our problems—too large a Pack which means insufficient leadership. We called a meeting with the parents and found two Cub fathers, with previous experience in boys' work, who were pleased to help as Assistant Cubmasters. Our Assistant Cubmaster then agreed to become the Leader of the new Pack which was to be formed.

The new Scouters then met with the existing Pack, got to know the boys who would form the nucleus of the new group and put into practice the theory and training they had received from the District's Preliminary Training Course. The two Packs were then organized to take in boys from two geographical areas, to pave the way for expansion of programmes and, at the same time, to ensure a reasonably sized

Pack so that a more competent job could be done.

Our Group Committee and Ladies' Auxiliary are doing a fine job and it was decided to keep the one sponsoring body for the two groups to assure stability in the organization.

However, the problem of too many boys and not enough Packs in our area still cropped up. Our Group Committee took the problem to the District Council and was informed that another Church in the area thought of sponsoring a Pack. The Group Committee approached the prospective leaders with the offer of on-the-job training in one of our Packs. They were then able to get leadership training through actual contact with Cubs besides getting to know the community and gaining an appreciation of some of the problems peculiar to our area.

By getting Cub parents involved, receiving help from the District Council and helping other adults become involved in the game of Cubbing, we were able to solve our problem. At the same time we have been able to share the joys of youth work with other interested adults and provide more opportunities in the District for boys and adults to become members of the Scout organization.



Governor General Vincent Massey, Chief Scout of Canada, is shown with Mr. Jackson Dodds, Deputy Chief Scout of Canada, during the ceremonial planting of a Red Oak on October 22nd to mark the centenary of the birth of Lord Baden-Powell and the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Boy Scout Movement. Forming a semi-circular guard of honour were 19 Queen's Scouts from the Ottawa District Council's Jubilee Year Queen's Scout Group.

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## Wood Badge Training Courses

The dates for some 1958 Part II Courses have been set and published so that Scouters will have plenty of time to plan their activities. Additional courses will be listed as dates become available.

All Part II Courses are open to Scouters in any part of Canada provided that the applications are submitted through District or Provincial Commissioners. Watch for further information in your Provincial or District bulletins.

### PACK SCOUTERS

PROVINCE	DATES	PLACE	COURSE LEADER
British Columbia & Yukon	June 21-28	Cariboo Camp,	Don Schutz
	August 16-23	Lac La Hache Camp Byng near Gibsons	Roy MacDonald
Ontario	July 6-12	Blue Springs	
	August 17-23	Blue Springs	
Manitoba (Prairie Course)	August 2-8	Gimli	

### TROOP SCOUTERS

British Columbia & Yukon	April 5-13	Park Ridge Camp, Carleton	
	August 23-31	near Oliver Camp Colwell, near Nanaimo	MacNaughton William Lawrence
Ontario	July 12-20	Blue Springs	
	August 9-17	Blue Springs	
Manitoba (Prairie Course)	August 9-17	Gimli	

## "How To Live Out If Bombed Out" Theme for London Camporee

The adoption of the theme, "How to Live Out if You are Bombed Out" for the London, Ontario, District's Annual Camporee provided the 200 attending Scouts with rigorous training on how to live comfortably out-of-doors with a minimum of equipment as well as adding additional interest to the annual event.

Each Troop in the District was invited to send one Patrol of six boys to take part in the experiment held in the early fall. They were not to bring tents or cooking equipment and only one hand axe to a Patrol.

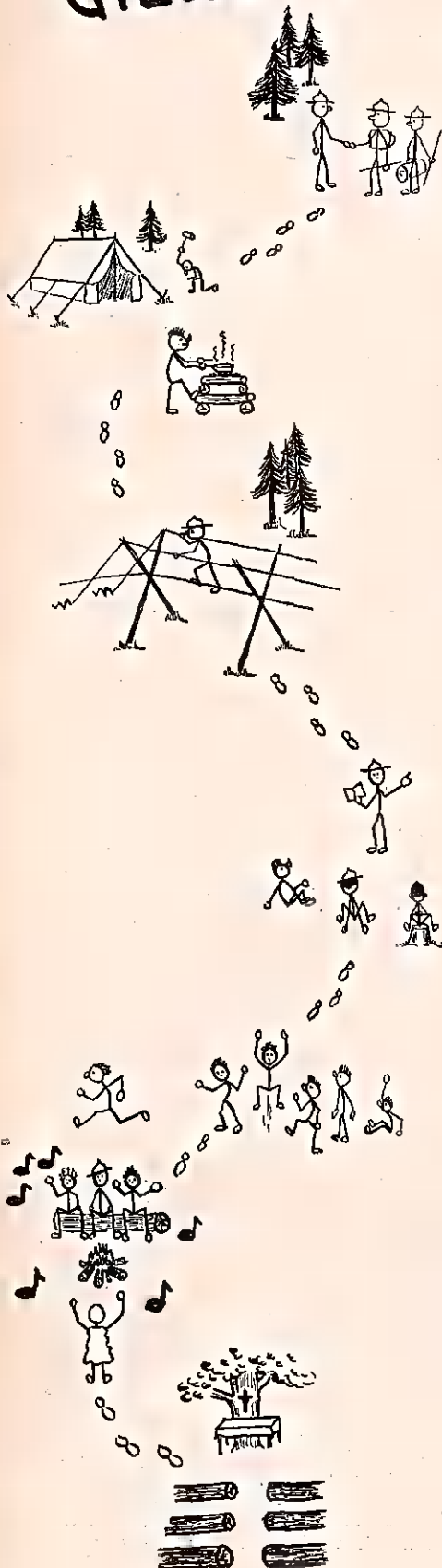
Each Patrol Leader was mailed a set of instructions which included reporting and departing times, a topographic map of the area and a grid reference to the first reporting point at which the Patrol was to assemble five minutes before the prescribed time, packed and ready for a two mile hike to the camp site. The Scoutmaster was responsible

for transporting his Patrol a distance of 60 miles on the Saturday morning.

When the Patrol arrived at the camp site, they were issued with a 12' x 14' plastic sheet to make a shelter, four fathoms of  $\frac{3}{8}$ " rope, binder twine, wire, etc., food supplies, a week-end menu and one quart of drinking water per Scout for the week-end. The menu was planned so that each meal could be cooked in the tin cans opened for the previous meal.

One surprising project for the Scouts was the requirement to devise a method of measuring time (with a certain degree of accuracy); their watches were confiscated because they had been 'exposed' to atomic radiation and were dangerous.

Patrols and individual Scouts were marked on their ingenuity in preparing their cooking equipment and their various projects.





## Hunters Should Know—

The following editorial is reprinted from the November 13th issue of the *Telegraph-Journal*, Saint John, N.B.

"New Brunswick's Boy Scouts, at least those who specialize in woodcraft, could teach some adult hunters a thing or two about safety in the woodlands of the province. Some of the training received by the boys would go a long way toward reducing the number of hunters becoming lost each season.

"The Boy Scouts gain many useful tips on how to orient themselves in the woods, the use of a compass for direction finding, the substitution of a watch for a compass, use of the sun and stars, the quick preparation of fires for warmth, for cooking or as a signal of distress, and above all the development of their faculties for observation.

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"Boy Scouts in the woods seldom are without the means of making a fire. In the absence of matches or lighters they resort to 'burning' or magnifying glasses when the sun is visible, or the Indian friction method of spinning a pointed stick on another until sufficient heat has been generated to cause tinder-like material to glow, and then fan it into flame. This is an arduous procedure, and most Scouts prefer the sensible practice of making sure that they have matches protected from the weather.

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"Another wet-weather trick is to carry several balls made of rolled strips of burlap or old bags which have been immersed in melted wax. When needed, particularly during damp weather, a bit of the waxed ball is dug out to serve as a wick and the entire ball is thus easily lighted in a protected depression in the ground. From this a larger fire can be built, but one such ball is sufficient to boil a quantity of water."

Let us make sure that the boys in our Troops merit this praise!



## ROVER QUESTS.

### Activities of 1st Port Hammond Crew

From time to time it is necessary for the members of a group to discuss their past, present and planned activities in the light of 'deeds' and 'ideals' if the group is to survive as a worthwhile entity. Very few people are able to live up to their aspirations but where there is no effort, there is no excuse for falling short.

We list below the activities of the 1st Port Hammond Crew during the six month period, March 20th and September 25th as an illustration of active Rovering. Perhaps your Crew will pick up some programme ideas or at any rate will be able to judge the *activeness* of your activities.

(The report is a very condensed version of the report submitted by Rover Leader Bud De Wolf to his Group Committee, the 1st Hammond. His Crew was formed two years ago.)

March 20—Social, 12 Rovers plus girl friends.

March 24—Hike up the Ski Trail to Lookout, 7 Rovers.

March 27 — Meeting — Discussion, Planning and Talk, 10 Rovers

March 28—Bun and Bean Feed with Hammond Scouts, 6 Rovers.

April 3—Plan a 2 day camp for Alexander Robinson Scouts, 12 Rovers (various other meetings to further plans).

April 11—3 Rovers and Leader plan Easter Hike.

April 23—4 Rovers attend overnight camp for Alexander Robinson Troop.

April 28-29—Overnight hike to Raven Creek, 7 Rovers and 3 guests.

April 29—Search for new den logs. (Several meetings to fell logs cut into

strips and ship to den).

May 11—Hike up river, 9 Rovers.

May 15—Barbershop Singing at Haney United Church, 17 Rovers.

May 22—17 Scouts to New Westminster to see Crew member off to Manila (various soft ball and swimming meetings; also get together for logging and log peeling purposes).

July 8—1 Rover and Leader on search, body recovered in Gold Creed area.

July 17—Inter-Crew meet with 1st Haney Crew, discussion of Crew problems and conduct, 16 Rovers.

Aug. 3-4—Overnight hike to Battery Mountain, 9 Rovers. 3 more Rovers join hike—work on cairn completed.

Aug. 7—Report of trips, jobs, etc. by each Rover, review activities for future improvement, 16 Rovers. (Various special meetings: logging; swimming; farewell party for members off to University; plans laid for next 2 months; investitures, and also for attending Rover Moot at Camp Byng.

Sept. 15—Cabin re-roofed.

Sept. 25—Tour Pipe Mill at Port Moody. Meeting to plan joint instructional meet for October 2nd with each Rover taking one part of Tenderfoot requirements (most of the Rovers were not Scouts previously)

The boys of the Hammond Crew keep in close contact with members of the 1st Haney Crew and are helping to steer new recruits in their direction.

While we do not suggest that the above programme meets the ideal for Rover Crews, we do feel that it is an 'alive' programme and there certainly is idea material in it.

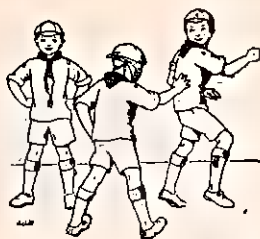
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## Wide Games

Romance, adventure and the satisfaction of strenuous open-air exercise can all be found in the well-planned wide game. This type of game allows both Cubs and Scouts to do some real 'Scouting' in the sense of tracking and following up clues. Gilcraft suggests that the following four points should always be kept in mind when preparing to play a wide game.

1. Make sure everyone understands the object of the game and the rules.
2. Keep rules simple; over-complicated schemes defeat their own purpose.
3. See that everyone has a part to play and that everyone plays his part.
4. The least experienced needs the most experience.

### FOR CUBS

#### TRACKING

This game should be played by fairly small parties—12 or even six. It can only be played when the ground is muddy or when there is some fresh snow. Two Cubs start five minutes ahead of the rest. One carries a stick with the lid of a cocoa tin fastened to the end of it. Every few paces he jabs it down on the ground, so leaving a track. He may leave false trails by running down a lane and then doubling back to his original road and carrying on his tracks from there. This will delay his followers. The other Cubs start either five or ten minutes after the two fugitives and try to catch them before they can get to a certain place. They must follow the tracks exactly and must not try and cut them off.

#### BURIED TREASURE

The Pack assembles on the outskirts of a piece of wooded ground or a city park. The Cubs are told a yarn which terminates in the disclosure that hidden treasure lies in the wood. Its whereabouts is described. For instance, it might be 20 paces north-east of a certain oak tree or park bench which has a hawthorn bush five yards on one side of it and an ash tree seven yards on the other side of it (the locality should not be definitely fixed by anything too obvious, such as a pond, a building, or a gate). The Cubs work in Sixes and try to discover the spot. They should move quietly, keeping well in touch, for it is important not to give the show away when the spot is located and before the treasure is found lest another Six should rush up and find it first. The treasure may consist of candy or fruit, and should become the property of the finders.

#### SPOT THE ENEMY

Two parties start out reconnoitering, both at the same time and both mak-

ing for the same place, but from two spots each half a mile from the place which they desire to reach.

The object of each party is to be the first to reach the 'goal', but they must keep themselves concealed, for should the enemy spot them they will be attacked. Should one member of the party see the enemy he must quietly give the alarm for all to lie flat and then report their position to the officer in charge.

If the officer can spot the enemy himself he blows his whistle when everyone shouts—which annihilates the enemy. Should one party succeed in reaching the goal, it lies there in ambush and waits for the enemy.

### FOR SCOUTS

#### THE DASH FOR THE POLE

Two rival parties of Arctic explorers are nearing the Pole. Each has sent out one Scout in advance, but neither has returned. They know the directions each started in because their tracks can still be seen in the snow. What has really happened is that each has reached the Pole, and each is determined to maintain his claim to it and so dares not leave the spot.

They both purposely left good tracks and signs, so that they could be easily followed up. These two, one from each Patrol, should start from Headquarters together, and then determine the spot to be the Pole—each approaching it from a different direction.

The two parties of explorers start off together, about fifteen minutes after the forerunners, and each follows up the tracks of its own Scouts. The first Patrol to reach the spot where the two are waiting for them takes possession; the leader sets up his flag and the rest prepare snowballs, after laying down their staves in a circle round the flag at a distance of six paces.



When the other party arrives, they try to capture the staves, but two hits with a snowball on either side puts a man out of action. Each defender killed and each staff taken counts one point, and if the rival party gains more than half the possible points, they claim the discovery of the Pole.

Before the defenders can claim undisputed rights, they must kill all their rivals, by pursuing them; even if only one or two are left. The two forerunners do not take part, but act as umpires.

#### SPIES AMONG US

Two sides start from points about 500 yards apart. Each boy is given half of a message written on a slip of paper. The object of the game is for the members of one side to meet those of the other and find somebody with the missing half of their particular message.

Before comparing notes, however, a sign is given to each boy to prove that he is willing to 'risk' the exchange—'risk', because on each side there is a spy. Instead of having half a message on their slips of paper they have merely the word 'spy'. Thus, if after agreeing to compare notes a boy gets caught by a spy on the opposite side, he must give up his slip of paper to that deceiver and return to a pre-arranged base without giving away the name of the boy to others. The first pair to reach the base with a message that makes sense are the winners.

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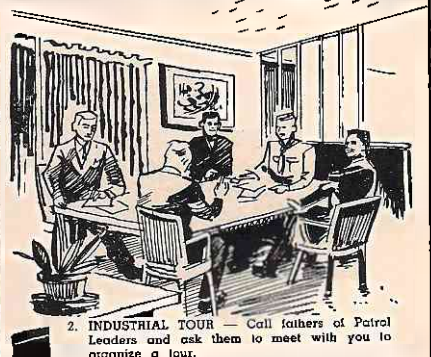


# FATHER and Son

Parent co-operation will be readily available if you make provision for parent participation in your programme planning. Here are a few ideas for Father and Son activity within the Troop. Don't stop here, ask your boys for more ideas. Don't forget the ladies, they want to know what is going on too!



1. HIKE — Start simply but have a definite object i.e. cooking a twist.



2. INDUSTRIAL TOUR — Call fathers of Patrol Leaders and ask them to meet with you to organize a tour.



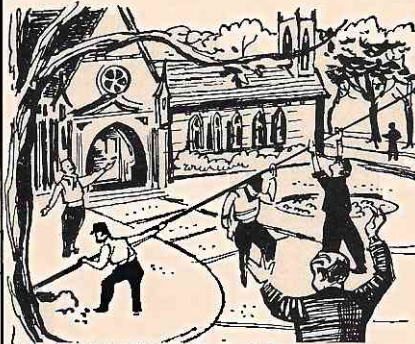
3. FISHING TRIP — Call fathers (of Seconds) and ask them to organize instruction for trip.



4. PIONEERING — Either describe or build models of four projects and ask four fathers to put this across to the Patrols.



5. DRIVING INSTRUCTION — Ask one father (preferably a policeman) to coordinate this with other fathers.



6. GOOD TURN — Give each Patrol, including fathers, a project to build for presentation to sponsor.



7. WEEKEND CAMP — For late spring or early summer. Dads to instruct on tracking.



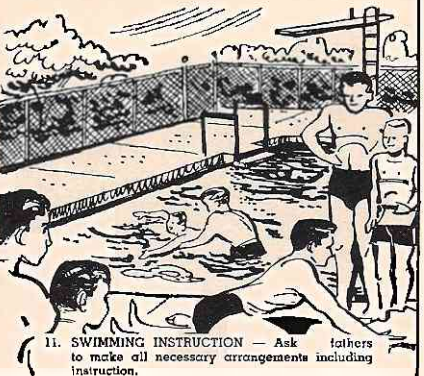
8. BANQUET — Boys serve fathers.



9. Exchange trip with Troop from United States of America.



10. SAFETY WITH FIREARMS — On Conservation Project.



11. SWIMMING INSTRUCTION — Ask fathers to make all necessary arrangements including instruction.



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**B.-P. GOES FISHING**

Lord Baden-Powell's oldest child, Mrs. Clay—The Hon. Betty Clay—lives in Africa, is Chief Guide Commissioner for Northern Rhodesia, and has a daughter who is a Tawny Owl. Here is a message published in *The Northern Rhodesia Scout* which shows that the Founder's daughter has inherited much of her famous father's outlook.

"... Perhaps you might like to know about my father's favourite pastime: it was fishing. During his long tours to visit Scouts all over the world he used to say to the organizers "All right, I will come and visit your Scouts, but for every day's Scouting you must arrange for me to have one day's fishing as a reward." I think some of the reasons why he loved fishing were these:

1. It took him out into the open air, which was a joy to him after being in a stuffy office or conference room or hall.

2. It brought him near to the things of nature, for when he was standing so quietly the birds would come near him without fear, thinking he was just a tree.

3. It always filled him with hope, for every time he threw his line he said to himself, "Ah! This time I will succeed!"

4. And when again he failed and his line came in with no fish on it, he learnt not to mind or to get angry or to give up; but to take his disappointment cheerfully.

5. He loved pitting his wits against the wily fish, and choosing just the right bait to lure it, knowing that if the bait is dull the fish will turn away, uninterested. He knew he had to be patient with the net and not try to grab the fish too soon, or it would wriggle away.

Now let's look at these points and see how we can apply them to our Scouting and Guiding.

1. Let's take it out of doors—don't always have your meetings in the classroom or hall, or even in the same place every week, but try and find a suitable patch of bush near your meeting place so that the boys and girls can do really "Scouting" activities.

2. Have plenty of "observation" games in your meetings, open your children's eyes to all the tiny insects and plants there are, and so bring them nearer to God the Great Creator.

3. Vary your programmes, so that the ones who are not good at one thing may have a chance to excel at another, so that they, too, will feel, "Ah! THIS

I can do!" Remember that the choice of badges is purposely very wide, to suit all tastes, so that even the slow ones can choose something they are good at, and can have the pride and joy of earning a badge like the clever ones.

4. In all our games and competitions there is the opportunity to be GOOD losers, or to grumble and sulk. See that your Troop or Pack or Company has the tradition of being cheerful in adversity.

5. And finally, ARE YOU USING THE RIGHT BAIT? Are your meetings exciting and interesting, so that more boys and girls want to join? Or do your Scouts and Guides seem bored, and some of them don't come any more? If it is the latter, try these remedies: Don't spend too long on one item of the programme. Alternate running about and sitting down activities. Let them learn by doing—even if they do it wrong at first! Don't try to force the knowledge into them; if the bait is right, they will swallow it.

The last point does not apply to prospective Scouters and Guiders; they have to be grabbed as firmly as possible for they are slippery fish and very difficult to catch!

So good fishing to you all in my father's favourite sport."

## Do Your Patrol Leaders Receive Their Magazine Regularly?

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## HOW TO DRIVE AND STAY ALIVE

We recently received a copy of the booklet "How to Drive and Stay Alive", which is issued by B. F. Goodrich, and were very much impressed by the many good tips offered to drivers.

Rover Scout Leaders would find the booklet extremely useful if they were to plan discussions on 'Safe Driving' or 'Are We Good Drivers' with their Rovers. Each driving Rover would do well to read this informative pamphlet.

Included among the helpful hints are those for: safe driving tips for town; tips for the highway; safe driving tips at night; tips for driving in bad weather; tips for teen-agers; tips for women; safe driving tips for vacations; safe driving tips to teach your children.

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## TROOP FLAG HOLDERS



**D**oes your Troop or Patrol have a set of flag holders? Here's an easy way to make them. First, look around an automobile junkyard for two front wheel hubs and brake drums similar to the ones in the photos. The ones we chose have the hub and drum in one piece, and the spoke design makes an attractive base.

If the ones you use are two pieces, you'll have to bolt them together. Remove the wheel bolts and use some shorter bolts with the heads on top to give a neat appearance.

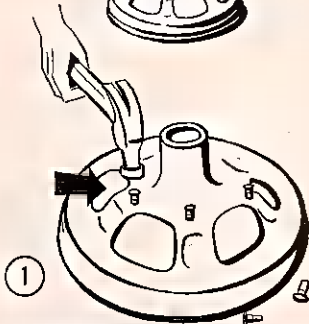
The illustrations show how to remove bolts, clean up metal parts, and make wood bushings which hold the flag staffs in place.

It's best to use 3/4" plywood for the bushings.

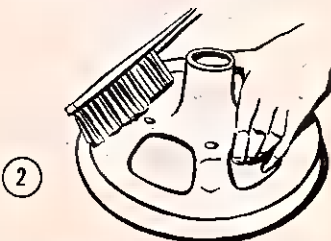
Make the holes for the staffs about 1/16" greater diameter than the diameter of the poles.

Cut the holes with an expansion bit and brace, or with a circular cutter, if you have a drill press.

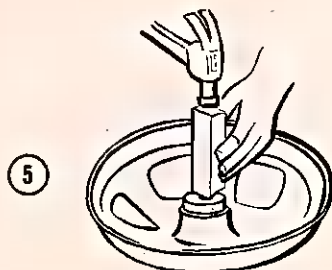
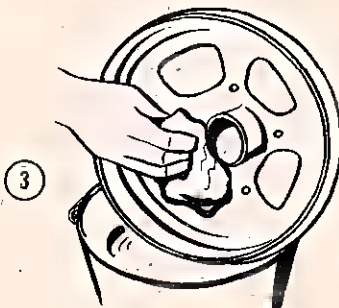
Paint the finished bases with a coat of metal primer, followed with a coat of enamel.



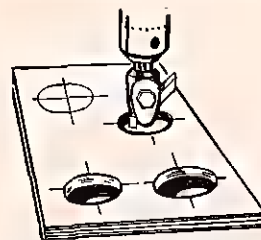
1 Drive out the wheel bearing races from the hub. Then remove the bolts.



2 Next, clean the outside with a wire brush to remove all the dirt and rust.



5 Drive the bushings with a block and hammer into the hub holes, like this.



4 Make four bushings (see text) two large, two small, to fit hub holes.

Wash the casting first with kerosene, and then with a detergent and water.

# PROGRAMME IDEAS

## For The Troop and The Pack

Here are a number of ideas which you might be able to incorporate into your Pack or Troop programmes. You will find that some of these items will call for a special meeting and therefore more careful planning. In any event all programmes should be well thought out and written down on paper well in advance of the actual meeting. It is also a good idea to put beside each item in your programme a time limit and then stick rigidly to this.

### For the Troop

#### The Patrol System

At the next Court of Honour meeting suggest to the Patrol Leaders that the next regular Troop meeting be cancelled with each Patrol undertaking some special project such as visiting another Troop, finding out how a police squad car or ambulance service operates, etc. Each Patrol will be expected to give a report at the next Troop Meeting on the results of their special activities.

#### Inter-Patrol Olympic Games

Ask each Patrol Leader to come prepared to run an olympics event at the next Troop meeting. Here are some ideas you might like to pass on: Shot-put with a ping pong ball; for tossing a caber use long soft-drink straws.

Better still, cancel an evening meeting during the winter and have a regular olympic games outside using the proper equipment or things of similar weights and lengths improvised by the Scouts themselves. The important thing is that each Patrol is responsible for providing one event.

### Night Hike

Arrange with the Group Committee to have a number of cars at the Troop Headquarters five minutes before the Troop is scheduled to meet. When the Troop meets have each boy blindfolded and then placed in a car. He is to remain blindfolded until the Troop is returned to its Headquarters. Arrange for the cars to visit a number of areas within the community which have recognizable smells such as bread factories, unusual sounds or distinctive physical features. A careful map is necessary in order that all the cars would visit the same places but at different times. When the Troop returns to Headquarters and blindfolds are off, boys are then given five minutes to write a summary of their trips telling where they were and what was going on about them. It might be a good idea to leave an Assistant Scoutmaster and one or two senior boys behind to prepare some hot chocolate for the entire group to enjoy at the end of this exercise.

### An Evening of Music

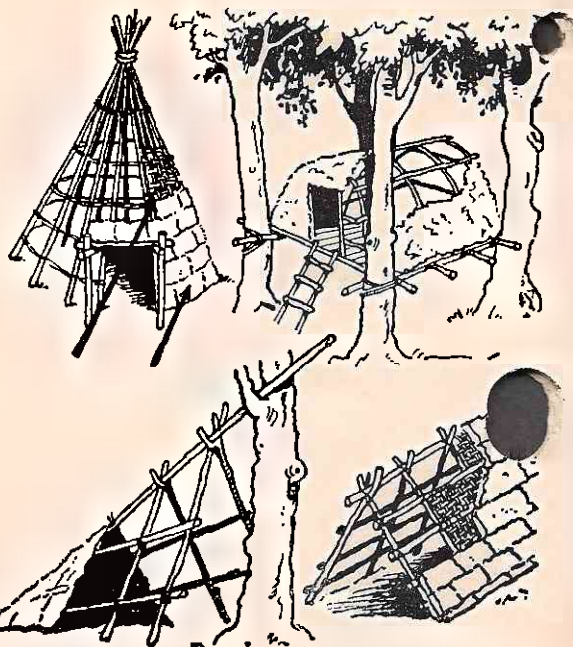
Make arrangements to have a local music critic, musician or capable parent at a Troop meeting to discuss music and to explain the roles of various in-

struments in orchestration, voice and such things as high fidelity. This may require a panel of two or three people. Suggest to the Troop, through their Court of Honour, that every boy be invited to bring along one or at the most two records to the next Troop Meeting. These could be records which he personally likes, dislikes or does not understand. Arrange to have a record player at the meeting and play as many of the records as you have time for. At the end of each record give the individual or panel an opportunity to explain the music and answer any questions. You will not be able to play all the records that have been brought, but if the idea goes over perhaps a similar event could be arranged at a later date and those who didn't have an opportunity to have their records played will have one then.

### Proficiency Badges

Ask each Patrol to be prepared to come to the next Troop meeting ready to demonstrate a Proficiency Badge of their own choice. This may require two weeks of preparation and if so, perhaps the Scouters could undertake to demonstrate one or two of the more difficult Proficiency Badges at the intervening meetings.

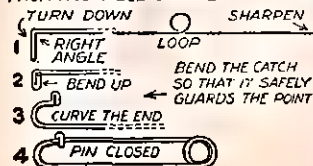
Teach your Court of Honour how to build these shelters.



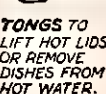
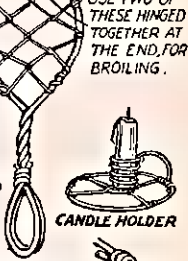
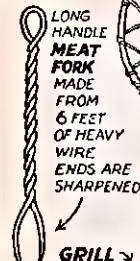
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### Coat Hanger Craft

Supply or ask each Patrol to bring a wire cutter, a pair of round-nosed pinchers, a pair of pliers, a flat file and half a dozen old coat hangers or similar pieces of wire.

Give each Patrol one half hour to make any one of a number of objects (see illustrations on page 114) and put it to a useful task. For example if you are going to ask them to make the hand grill then have each Patrol prepare three pieces of toast on this grill. There are only a few suggestions here and you will be able to think of many more things that can be made simply with this type of wire.

### For the Pack

#### Dress-up Kit

Ask each Cub to bring to the next meeting two things which he thinks might be useful in helping himself or someone else dress up in a funny costume. The Cubs will need a number of ideas and we make the following suggestions: Paper plates, string, toy paint brushes, tins, left over wool, old pieces of coloured cloth, empty small tin cans, old shoes (preferably mother's), old silk stockings, any old relics of past generations which may be out of style and funny, dad's old hat (make sure it's old), etc. Arrange to have a box to put all of this equipment into then tell the Cubs that the next meeting the Pack is going to have a dress up night. Invite one mother for each Six and offer them the use of the box to select material to get their Six dressed in the funniest costume possible. Small prizes in the form of chocolate bars or ice cream cups could be offered for the most original, funniest and best costumes.

#### Inter-Pack Visits

With the co-operation of the Group Committee, and more important a number of parents, arrange to have each Six visit a different Pack under the leadership of a parent. It will be necessary, of course, to arrange beforehand with other Cubmasters so that boys from your Pack will be able to fit into the programme without disrupting things. At the next meeting following this adventure each Six could portray either in play acting or by running a game, something that they saw at the other Pack.

#### First Aid Kits

For about a dollar you can obtain enough small match boxes to have one for each boy in the Pack. With a little

imagination Akela can fill one of these small match boxes with a supply of first aid items which a Wolf Cub might need on a ramble. For example two band aids, two aspirin tablets, two safety pins, a small wad of cotton batten, a small coil of string, a pair of tweezers. By making up one of these kits Akela could then show it to the Pack and explain the importance of having such a simple kit for *First Aid* on a ramble. The Cubs would then be asked to take the match boxes and make up their own kit or if they wished (and this would be even better) to obtain for themselves a small metal container about the size of a metal scotch tape container. One other suggestion for the Cubs and that is that they put a dime secured with adhesive tape on the inside cover of their container, to phone a doctor.

#### Akela the Snow Man

Without the use of any lights whatsoever ask each Six to make either the biggest snow man like Akela or the smallest snow man like Akela. A small prize of a chocolate bar could be given to each member of the Six with the best snow man. It would also be fun to have one of the Old Wolves or parents prepare some hot chocolate while this activity is going on so that the whole Pack could be warmed up in the

Pack Headquarters before going home. You will, of course, tell the boys a week before to come prepared for an outdoor activity and be dressed accordingly.

#### Guide Badge

With the assistance of parents or Cub Instructors from the Troop take the Pack around your community by Sixes pointing out a number of things which they should know and at the same time telling them how they would direct tourists or visitors to these various sites within their community. This kind of programme requires careful preparation on the part of the Old Wolves well in advance of its being staged.

#### Swimming Party

If the facilities are available why not cancel a regular Pack meeting and have a swimming party at which instruction could be given on the Swimmers Badge. Once again it would be a good idea to request assistance from parents and/or Scoutmaster.

#### House Orderly Badge

By previous arrangement with the mothers of your Sixers have each Six spend an evening with a mother learning about the House Orderly Badge. This programme also calls for careful planning but would allow for a night off for all of the Old Wolves.

## Revision of Policy, Organization and Rules

The following revisions to the 1957 edition of *Policy, Organization and Rules* were authorized at a meeting of the Executive Committee of The Canadian General Council held at Charlottetown, P.E.I. on October 25th and 26th, 1957. Scouters should amend their P.O. & R. accordingly.

**Rule 73** amended to read . . . no boy may continue to be a Boy Scout after his *eighteenth* birthday.

**Rule 178** amended by the addition of paragraph IV which reads: "Except where the requirements of a Grade Badge state otherwise the examination may be conducted by a Group Scouter."

**Rule 391 (b) (i) & (b) (iii) (e)** amended by the deletion of any reference to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. The policy of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police does not permit its members to sign certificates of seaworthiness.

**Section (b) (i)** was further amended by changing the words "to work" in the second line to read "which should work".

The amended sections read as follows:

**(b) (i)** . . . "Each Provincial Council shall appoint a Provincial Water Safety Committee which should work in conjunction with the Department

of Transport (steamship inspection) and District or Group Water Safety Committees and approved regulations as in section (ii) (iii). The local regulations referred to in sections (ii) (iii) shall not become effective until they are approved by the Provincial Council.

**(b) (iii) (e)**

"Each boat shall be inspected thoroughly by a member of the Department of Transport (Steamship Inspection) or where this is not possible, by a competent person appointed by the District Water Safety Committee. If found satisfactory, the inspector shall complete a boat certificate for each boat. Forms are available from Provincial Headquarters. This certificate shall be displayed in the boathouse or Group Headquarters. No boat shall be used the current period. (N.B.) If the Group has more than one boat, they should be all inspected together).

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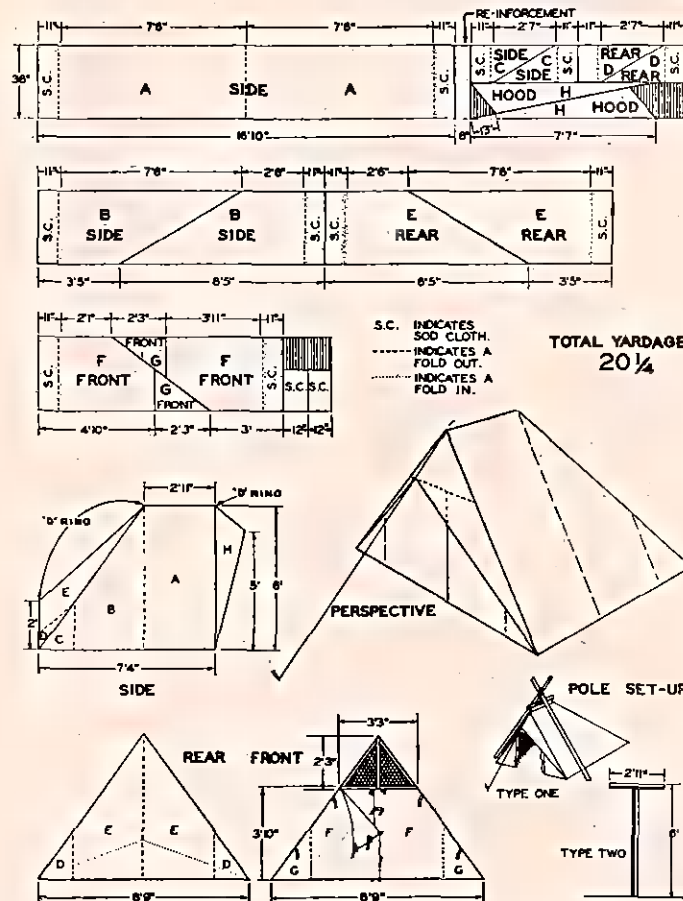
# Every Scout Should Have His Own Tent

Spring is just around the corner and with it hikes, camps and lots of fun. Here is a plan for a fairly simple tent which a Scout can make with the help of his parents or Scouter.

Perhaps several tents could be made as a Patrol project in readiness for those Patrol hikes which are being planned.

Once the tent is completed, we would like to see pictures of it pitched in the Scout's backyard or at camp. If the picture is sharp and clear, we will print it and gladly pay for the cost of the photography.

Illustration courtesy of the Boy Scouts of America



## NOTICE

'Tenderpad to Second Star'

'Tenderfoot to Queen's Scout'

There has been an unfortunate delay in the printing of the revised editions of both the above books. Just as soon as copies are available, shipments will be mailed to distributors and mail orders will be filled.

THE STORES DEPARTMENT, THE BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION



# Wanted — New Pioneers!

By MICHAEL D. ROBERTS, District Field Commissioner, Toronto, Ont.

We were driving home from the Council Meeting and as I dropped him off at his house Tony, our last year's Conservation Chairman, mentioned to me what a pity it was that our Conservation Theme was over now.

On my way home I started thinking and I seemed to hear in the distance a voice saying "In the beginning God created the Heaven and the Earth!" and I realized that it started way back there.

Then three days later . . . "And God said, let the Earth bring forth grass, and herb yielding seed, and the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed is in itself, upon the Earth, and it was so. And the Earth brought forth grass, and herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit whose seed was in itself and his kind, and God saw that it was good". Yes that was the third day . . . and the creation was progressing nicely.

Then a couple of days later the villain entered the picture. Man was formed of the dust of the ground . . . and ever since then, man has mis-created the very ground that was his first birthright. Compare the promised land which Joshua and Caleb described as, "A land which floweth with milk and honey." to the Biblical Regions of that remains of once powerful, pros-

perous cities . . . and the evil malady that caused it is now loose in our land

I thought of Decretion and Erosion. The time worn enemies of civilization . . . the skid row of mankind . . . and here they are on every side of us right in this lush and fertile continent. And I remember the trail out west when it rains, and the swollen streams and roadside ditches thickened with top soil. You can see it on a dry day when the sun burns hot on open land, and a small breeze churns up a tanned cloud on the horizon. They are the symptoms of a sickness in the land.

The real continuity of mankind has to do with the Earth, and man's love of the soil upon which he lives. When man and the soil work together there is a real performance to the work. Agriculture is the corner stone of the economic structure of the nation . . . and in the space of little more than a century, men have passed over the surface of our land like a plague of locusts, mining and destroying the land as they went, until the land is ready to rebel.

Ever since the first pioneer sank his moldboard plow into the rich, thick turf of this continent we have been asking for trouble. The first thing the settlers did was to cut down forests with no regard to the land. Soon they were battling with an increase in floods and watching formerly clear streams choke up with heavy silt. At the beginning of the 18th century on the American continent many of the new farms were washed and gullied. In the latter part of that century sand storms

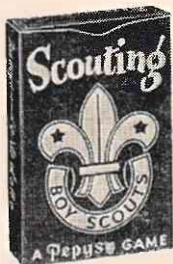
were common along the eastern seaboard. And in 1817 Thomas Jefferson wrote . . . "The fields were no sooner cleared than washed . . . more from the manner of cultivation than from exhausting properties of the crops".

Then the great prairies were opened. It was good wheat country. So man, the arch criminal, turned over deep buffalo grass, planted wheat and went away. In the fall he returned, harvested his crop, burned the straw and went away again, leaving the soil bare and arid. Then just a short 30 years later their folly backfired. The land had rebelled. . . .

And some of us may think that our conservation theme has ended . . . but how wrong. For this story is about YOU! It is the story of needless waste and want and destruction . . . it's about high prices and low wages . . . it's about the clothes you wear, the house you live in, and the food you eat. It's about the things that mankind must have to exist.

Any nation is only as strong as the sum total of individual citizens who comprise it, and the people can be no stronger than the soil from which they draw their very life. Today we need a new kind of pioneer. Ones who will thrill to the creation of new forests . . . who will heal the scars of greed and exploitation . . . who will think of a good country as a temple of abundance and through their pioneer vision restore the richness of our heritage which God has given us. Perhaps some of these new pioneers will be Boy Scouts?

## "SCOUTING"



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These three Scouts of the 3rd Kitimat, B.C., Troop with screwed-up noses and eyes almost closed tackle the job of cleaning equipment for the nurses and technicians of the Blood Donor Clinic. Cleaning the 'sticky stuff' out of the tubes are, from left: Bob Langton, Bill Langton and Gery Mears.

# SCOUTS TO OBSERVE "B.-P. SUNDAY" ON FEBRUARY 23rd

By L. L. JOHNSON, Executive Commissioner  
(Public Relations), Canadian Headquarters



By international agreement the Sunday nearest February 22nd, the birth date of Lord Baden-Powell, Founder of the Boy Scout and Girl Guide Movements, is observed as "B.-P. Sunday". In 1958 the memory of the Chief Scout of the World will be honoured on February 23rd.

In hundreds of Canadian communities B.-P. Sunday will be the occasion for joint Scout-Guide church services. Most ministers welcome an opportunity to have Scouts and Guides attending special joint services to honour the memory of the man who, 50 years ago, conducted an experimental camp of 20 boys on Brownsea Island to put his Scout training ideas to a practical test. It is significant that today there are some seven and one half million boys and leaders following the same basic Scout principles used at that Brownsea Island Scout camp.

B.-P. Sunday services call for careful planning on the District and Group level to ensure that all who wish to

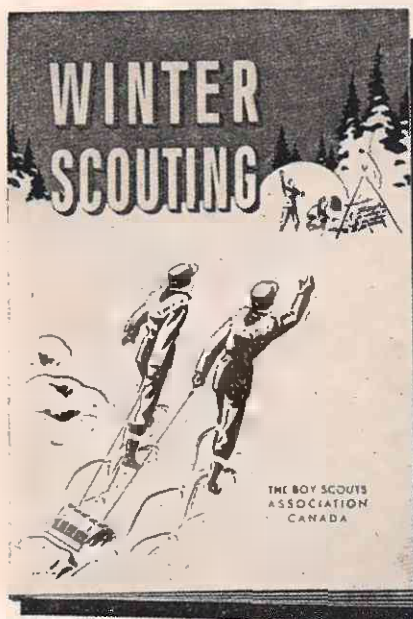
may participate. Such an occasion offers to the local Public Relations Committee an opportunity to focus attention on Scouting and what it is doing for the community. Given ample notice the press, radio and television will gladly co-operate in promoting and covering the event. A helpful pamphlet is available from your nearest Scout headquarters, entitled "Suggested material for Boy Scout-Girl Guide Church Services (Protestant Groups)" the publication includes a statement on the Association's religious policy, the promises and laws of Scouting and Guiding, a statement on "Scouting and Religion" by B.-P., prayers, suggested hymns, Bible lessons appropriate to the Scout-Guide Law, suitable Bible references to Scout-Guide ideals, invocations, and a suggested flag dedication service. The pamphlet is free. In any case, Scouters and Group Committee members should discuss proceedings for B.-P. Sunday with their religious leader.

A tribute to Baden-Powell has been

written by Cyril Maggs, Assistant Commissioner for Montreal's Western District, who joined a Scout Troop in his native Wallasey, England, in 1908, only a few months after the Scout Movement was launched. In a B.-P. Centennial story in the Sun Life Review for October, titled "Baden-Powell—the Scout" Mr. Maggs wrote, in part:

"The world owes a great deal to Baden-Powell. Scouting filled a need which formal education seemed unable to supply. A good Scout will not become a social problem and there are millions of men throughout the world whose lives have been enriched by the Scouting experience and the fact that they have the Scout Law in their hearts."

It is interesting to note that, unlike most great movements which have deteriorated on the removal of the inspiration and vision of their leader, Scouting has continued in its high ideals. I believe the character of Scouting is such that it is a challenge to men of imagination and vision."



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## Plan Now For Spring

By ALAN B. STONE

Mr. Cubmaster or Mr. Scoutmaster, what are you doing this spring to put the 'out' in Scouting?

During most of the winter your Pack or Troop no doubt has spent a great deal of its time indoors so now is the time to get them thinking about outdoor activities. There is one activity that is sure to appeal to most Canadian boys and it is something found close to many urban areas. It is a sugaring off party.

### EARLY ARRANGEMENTS

Remember though, this particular outing is becoming extremely popular and unless you make firm and early arrangements with the local sugar camp proprietor, you might be out of luck in the Spring. Besides the fun of collecting sap, the boys will enjoy seeing it processed into syrup and sugar.

Illustrated here is the Ste. Anne de Bellevue Troop during their annual outing to the Morgan Arboretum at MacDonald College. The Troop's guide is Bob Watson a former Troop member whose father is in charge of the arboretum.

Note that tin pails are still used to catch the sap drippings. Plastic bags were not successful as squirrels and chipmunks gnawed the bottom out of them to drink the sap.

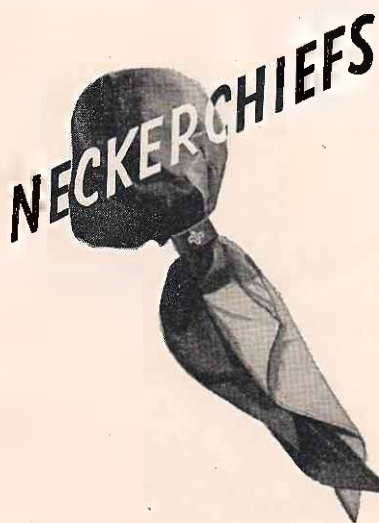
Once the pails are full they are emptied into a tank secured to a sled which is pulled by a tractor. The sap then goes to the sugar shanty and is fed (by gravity) into inside tanks. A gravity or float valve controls the flow of the sap into evaporators where it is boiled down until the rich brown syrup we know falls to the bottom and the water is 'drawn off'.

### TIME FOR CONSERVATION

One last thing, don't wait until you get to the sugar camp to start your outing. Try some tree identification on the way—without leaves. And for those with tight fillings in their teeth, try pouring some syrup on the snow—you will have wonderful fun pulling this taffy mixture.

Photos by Alan B. Stone





## NEW MATERIAL — DISTINCTIVE SHADES

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The Stores Department has been able to obtain a new and heavier neckerchief material, featuring distinctive colours. All Scout distributors will have shade cards available.

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Any combination of colours shown on the shade cards can be made up in your own style. Prices of these "custom made" neckerchiefs will be regular catalogue prices for the style, plus \$2.00 per order which is the manufacturers' cutting charge. Minimum order for Custom Made neckerchiefs is 24.

#### REGULAR COMBINATIONS

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