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

Dear Jack:

You will recall, some while ago, my mentioning to you the importance of keeping before our Scouts the real significance of our national holidays, and suggesting that an ideal way to do this was through the Scoutmaster's Five Minutes.

The close proximity of Canada Day recalled this to my mind, and it occurred to me that we would be making a contribution to the development of our Canadian nationhood if all Scoutmasters, on the meeting day closest to Canada Day (July 1), used this Five Minutes to tell their Troops something of the significance of this important day in the national life of Canada. So much can be said about this that it is hard to decide where to begin but one of the thoughts which comes to mind is the important place which many Canadian citizens are now taking in international affairs (thumbnail sketches of these men are always interesting to boys) and the influence which Canada is now exerting in the councils of nations; also, there is the universal high regard with which Canada and things Canadian are held, and the reputation we have acquired as one of the leading nations of the world—not only because of our geographical position but because of the tremendous growth of our country economically.

As you know, last week the entire staff across the country were gathered together at the National Staff Training Conference at Bristol, Quebec and, during the course of the week, we heard some most interesting and stimulating talks from some of our fellow Executives on the expanding horizons of Canada. We heard of the job which is being

done in pushing the frontiers farther and farther northward right across the country from Labrador to British Columbia. This conjured up for us a tremendous vision of the future and certainly demonstrated that there still remains plenty of challenge for the pioneer spirits. I feel that it is part of our job as Scouters to foster and encourage that pioneer spirit in the youth.

Yes, Canada has a great future and there are glorious possibilities ahead. But this calls for an appreciation of the obligations which this future will impose on us. Surely, we need no better message than this to pass on to our boys when we talk to them of the significance of Canada Day.

I had hoped to tell you in this letter something of the growing influence of our Movement throughout the country but, since time is pressing, I shall leave this for a later date.

In the meantime, I do hope that the family is well and that life in Shale Falls continues to be pleasant and rewarding.

Yours sincerely,

Chief Executive Commissioner.

Our cover picture

Sea Scout David Tagieff, 12 years, of the West End Sea Scouts, Montreal, was instrumental in pulling two children from the water at Point Aux Carriers Beach during the first week in July 1954.

Photo by Alan B. Stoue,
Montreal.



The following letter was received by The Boy Scouts Association in Guelph, Ontario during their recent financial drive. (We are not including the name of the writer here). "To whom it may concern:

I received your letter asking for a small sum of money for my three boys, one Scout and two Cubs. I feel that your requested amount is much too low.

When the boys leave here on Friday night, the peace that descends on our home is grand. We know that they are in good hands and are learning things worthwhile and they then come home spent.

This alone is worth much more than \$2.00 a year.

I didn't have a chance to be a Cub when I was a boy and I am so glad that my boys are a part of Cubbing and Scouting.

I wish I could do more. Please accept my cheque for \$15.00 and the best of everything for the future."

Dear Sir:

I would like to tell you about the Easter 'Good Turn' of our Cub Pack, the Fairmount St. Giles, Montreal, Quebec, Pack.

The Pack decided to make crackers from toilet paper rolls covered in mauve and yellow paper, tied with ribbon at each end and filled with Easter candy. The crackers were delivered by the Sixers and Seconds to the Firndly Home for Children in Montreal.

At the presentation, the Sixers and Seconds put on a skit and a sing-song which lasted approximately 45 minutes. Each child at the Home received two crackers and an Easter Egg.

The Old Wolves delivered the remaining crackers to Ward "N", which is also a children's ward at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal. The Old Wolves delivered these as children are not permitted to visit in the hospital.

A total of 144 crackers were made and filled by the Pack at meetings during March.

The Pack feel and I do too, that this was a 'Good Turn' well done.

Lillian H. Yeoman, CM,
Fairmount St. Giles Cub Pack,
Montreal, Que.

Dear Sir:

Would you please publish a note of thanks for a 'Good Turn' rendered to our Cub Pack and Scout Troop.

This Spring we found ourselves very short of funds and the local Elks Lodge came to our assistance by donating one hundred dollars to our Group. The purpose of the Elks Lodge is to help youth and by helping us they certainly lived up to their purpose.

Fr. J. A. Doetzel, O.M.I.,
Secretary, 3rd Fort Nelson, B.C.,
"Silanni" Group

Dear Sir:

The Highway 21 District Council in Central Alberta held a District Camporee at Pine Lake over the past May 24th weekend and performed a very interesting 'Good Turn'.

On the last day of the camp the Scouts were on the beach of the farm campsite doing their 'Good Turn' for the proprietor, in clearing the rocks and debris from his swimming area.

During the work session, Scouter Eldon Bliss, Trochu Troop, noticed great volumes of smoke rising from a clump of pine trees across the lake. He brought this to the attention of several other Scouters and a car was despatched to investigate. A quickly spreading bush fire was discovered in a small camp owned by a Calgary organization. It had been lit by a careless camper and was rapidly reaching serious proportions. Only a handful of worried people were attempting to combat it.

Scouts from the Elnora, Trochu and Three Hills Troops were brought from the Camporee site, a bucket brigade was quickly formed and after several hours strenuous work in the face of the fire and heavy smoke the blaze was extinguished.

The Scouts were given credit for their stupendous efforts the next morning over Calgary radio station CFAC's morning newscast.

Hoping that you will be able to include the article in your most stimulating magazine.

Rodney Andrews, C.M.,
1st Delburne Pack,
Deluburne, Alta.

Dear Sir:

It is becoming increasingly common at Camporees to have "padded" Patrols where the Troop Leader acts as Patrol Leader and four or five Queen's Scouts and picked boys from a Troop form a so-called Patrol. The object of the Scoutmaster and a Troop being "bring back an 'A' pendent or else". In this attitude and in numerous other ways we see where Scoutmasters and others think they can improve on the Founder's methods.

A Patrol from the 2nd Wilson Heights, Toronto, Troop recently attended York Downs Area's first Camporee. This Patrol consisted of the regular Loon Patrol, Alan Gale, Patrol Leader, John Atkinson, 2nd, Andy Danson, David Brown, Dwight Dehne, Peter Winnell and John Clough. All these boys were Tenderfoot Scouts and consequently did not have a single proficiency badge amongst them. Despite this apparent handicap they brought back to the Troop the only "A" pendent awarded at the Camporee, gaining 882 points out of a possible 1,000. All of the boys were former Cubs and all except one had come up from our own Packs.

This then appears as tangible evidence that B.-P.'s way is not only the "right way" but also the only way to run a Troop, that is:—

- (1) Bring your boys up the Scouting way. Cub, Scout and then Rover.
- (2) The basis of the Troop must always be "The Patrol".

S. S. Martin, S.M.,
2nd Wilson Heights Troop,
York Downs Area, Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir:

It was with pleasure that I saw in *The Scout Leader* that four Scoutmasters were actually in the Honours and Awards list. I had begun to think that I was among the last of a dying breed. We all know that Scoutmasters don't take up the work of Scouting for profit or honours but for the job of helping our boys become better Canadians.

Still, there must be a few of our Scoutmasters worthy of honour.

In closing, my congratulations to my brother Scoutmasters in the Honours list.

Art Money, S.M.,
Bradner, B.C.



This is Worth Looking Into

New Medical Form

In the last (June) issue of *The Scout Leader*, we included a new Medical Form for use by the membership of The Boy Scouts Association.

This new form was designed primarily to fill an apparent need for such a document to be completed on behalf of boys proceeding to camp, and in response to a request made at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Canadian General Council. It is true that some Districts which operate their own campsites have a similar type of form but the vast majority of Scouters taking boys to camp either make up their own forms or do without.

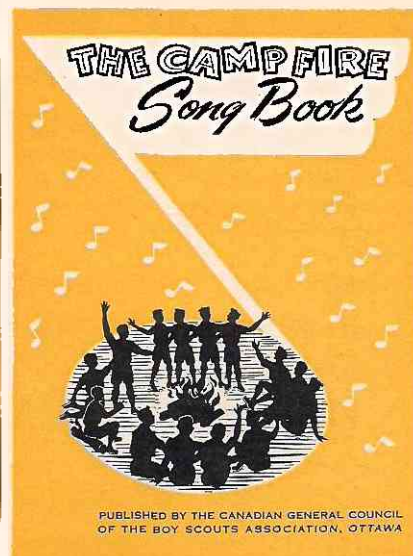
As indicated on the new Medical Examination Form, it can be used a number of ways, e.g.:

- a) As a pre-camp Medical Form,
- b) As a pre-travelling Medical Form,
- c) As a general Health Form.

The purpose of the latter is to encourage each boy and adult in the Movement to have at least one annual check-up, whether he is proceeding to camp or not.

These forms may be obtained, one for each person in your Section, from your own Headquarters. As the form is on trial, they may be obtained free of cost during the current calendar year.

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British Columbia's Centennial Day Celebration at Kamano, B.C., brought out a well-received Scout float mounted on a 40-foot flat deck semi-trailer. The draw bridge was a working model which gave visitors access to the float where they received coffee which was made on an altar fire.

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

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



Total as of May 5th.....	\$8,757.87	3rd Etobicoke Central "A" Troop.....	4.00
1st Cub Pack, Bowmanville, Ont.	5.50	3rd Etobicoke Central "A" Pack.....	3.60
1st Scout Troop, Creemore.....	5.00	3rd Mimico Ladies' Aux.	5.00
Groups 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10 and 18, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.	100.00	3rd Mimico Ladies' Aux.	10.00
1st Walkerton Cub Pack.....	1.25	3rd Alderwood "A" Pack.....	3.20
Trenton Ladies' Auxiliary, Executive Meeting.....	3.00	3rd Alderwood "C" Pack.....	2.50
Ross Cressner, Markham, Ont.	5.00	3rd Weston Ladies' Aux.	7.30
17th Marlboro Group Com.	6.00	3rd Etobicoke Ladies' Aux.	5.00
1st Exeter Cubs "B" Pack.....	5.00	4th Scarboro West Cub Pack.....	3.60
R.C.A.F. Canuck Pack.....	4.25	5th Humber West Cub Pack.....	3.20
R.C.A.F. Javelin Pack.....	4.25	15th Toronto Cub Pack.....	3.20
Lakefield Rover Crew.....	2.00	20th Toronto Ladies' Aux.	10.00
Lakefield Bronze Pack.....	2.75	21st-24th Scarboro West Ladies' Aux.	10.00
1st Picton, Ont.	2.00	26th Lakeshore Pack.....	3.90
1st Marmora Pack.....	1.60	33rd Toronto Scout Group Committee.....	15.00
David Jackson.....	.85	53rd Toronto "A" Pack.....	4.00
1st Consecon Pack.....	2.50	63rd Toronto "A" Pack.....	3.20
1stA Norwood Pack.....	2.10	92nd Toronto Pack.....	4.80
5th Peterborough Pack.....	2.00	107th Toronto Ladies' Aux.	25.00
4th Belleville Pack.....	2.00	169th Ladies' Aux.	2.00
1st Avondale Pack.....	2.00	228th Toronto "B" Pack.....	3.09
Mrs. Sloan, Toronto, Ont.35	244th Toronto Troop.....	1.70
1st Meaford Group.....	7.00	515th Toronto Pack.....	1.50
Skyray Pack, R.C.A.F.	8.75	The Oakwood District Scouters.....	15.00
2nd Belleville, Ont., Pack.....	3.00	3rd Nanaimo Cub Pack, Nanaimo, B.C.	1.40
18-A Peterborough.....	2.00	Training Camporee, 1958, 7th (1st Baptist) Halifax Troop.....	6.00
18-B Peterborough.....	2.00	80th Vancouver Group.....	29.49
R. St. J. Terrett, Executive Commissioner, Ontario Provincial H.Q., Toronto.....	10.00	Burnaby Southview and Stride Districts.....	52.36
1st Wheatley Cub Pack.....	2.00	The Salvation Army Groups under the Vancouver Metropolitan Council.....	27.00
2nd Cobourg Troop.....	2.40	New Westminster District Preliminary Training Course.....	19.75
1st Kingsville Cub Pack and Ladies' Auxiliary.....	4.70	1st Campbell River Troop.....	12.00
59 Troop—Altadore Baptist Church.....	4.00	1st North Bay Group, North Bay, Ont.	10.00
63 Group—St. Pius R.C. Church.....	3.00	Scouts attending Camporee Hamilton, Ont., District (held at Mt. Nemo).....	11.25
The Pack Scouters' Preliminary Course Participants, Windsor, District.....	11.35	1st Youngstown Troop, Youngstown, Alta.	3.00
1st New Toronto Ladies' Aux.	5.00	Total as of June 3rd.....	\$9,363.41
1st New Toronto "A" Pack.....	3.50		
1st New Toronto "B" Pack.....	3.60		
1st Queensway "A" Pack.....	3.60		
1st Queensway "B" Pack.....	3.00		
1st Etobicoke Pack.....	3.20		
1st Alderwood Pack.....	1.20		
2nd Humber Bay Pack.....	3.10		
2nd New Toronto Pack.....	2.40		
2nd Queensway Pack.....	2.40		
2nd Etobicoke Central "B" Pack.....	5.30		
2nd Etobicoke Central "C" Pack.....	3.60		
3rd Etobicoke Central Ladies' Aux.	5.00		
3rd Long Branch Ladies' Auxiliary.....	7.50		

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— GAMES FOR CAMP —

SCOUTS

Whale Hunt

This water game is exceedingly popular and is especially good for public exhibition, being full of amusement and excitement.

The outfit needed is:

(1) A "whale" roughly formed of soft wood: it should be about five feet long and 18 inches through at the head.

(2) Two spears with six inch steel heads and wooden handles (about three feet long). The points should be sharp and the bends firmly fixed to the handles. To each handle is fixed a twenty foot length of one inch rope. Six feet from the spearhead is a fathom mark made by tying on a rag.

(3) Two boats with crews. Each crew consists of a harpooner, and one or two oarsmen and a pilot who sits aft. All should be expert swimmers.

The Game: Each boat has a base or harbour; this is usually part of the shore and is placed at a short distance from the rival base. Bases should be marked with goal posts.

The whale is left by the referee's canoe at a point midway between the two bases. At the word 'Go!' each boat leaves its base and, making for the whale, tries to harpoon it, then tow it back by the line to its base. When both get their harpoons into it the contest becomes a tug-of-war until one of the harpoons pulls out.

The whale is landed when the prow of the boat that has it in tow touches its proper base, even though the rival spear is then in the mammal, or it is landed when the mammal itself touches the base, if it is also in tow at the time. The boats change places after each heat.

Rules: It is not allowed to push the whale into position with spear or paddle.

It is allowed to lay hands on the other boat but only to prevent a collision otherwise it is forbidden to touch the other boat, crew, paddle, line, to lay hands on the fish, to touch it with the paddle, touch your own harpoon while it is in the mammal, or to tie the line around the mammal.

It is allowed to dislodge the rival harpoon by throwing your own over it.

Players are forbidden to throw the harpoon over the other boat or over the heads of your own crew.

In towing the whale the fathom mark must be over the gunwale.

The harpooner must be in the boat when he throws the harpoon.

The game is usually best out of three.

Sketching the Castle

A Wide Game for Camp

Scene: a well-wooded stretch of country.

Action: Fifth Columnists are attempting to get close enough to a secret wireless station to make sketches. The wireless station is in an old farm house and can be located by the enemy if a sketch of the building is provided. R.C.M.P. men have wind of the plan and want to catch the Fifth Columnists in the act of sketching.

Previous to the game the Scoutmaster or Patrol Leaders provide a large sketch of a farm house. This can be copied or drawn from imagination. The sketch is set up—pinned to a tree, or on an arrangement of Scout staves.

It should be well surrounded by bushes which will give good cover for ambushers and for the Fifth Columnists to get near enough without being seen too easily.

Two-thirds of the Troop are Fifth Columnists and they must get near enough to the sketch to make a rough drawing of it. The rest of the Scouts are R.C.M.P. men and are hidden at a

reasonable distance from the 'wireless station'. It is their job to stalk the traitors and "kill" them before they can make the sketch.

"Kill" can be by any means you like—wool round arm to be broken, or a number noted, or a "shot"—hit with ball or beanbag. Defender men can also be killed to add to the excitement.

If you wish, you can have several sketches posted at various parts of the chosen area. Points are awarded in proportion to the number of sketches or parts of sketches made.

The organization of this game is quite simple, but there is plenty of scope for Scouting practice especially in the art of concealment.

CUBS

Rabbit Burrows

Cubs in threes. Two standing with hands on each other's shoulders are the tree, the third crouching down between them is the rabbit. There should be two odd Cubs, one of whom is made a dog and the other a rabbit. Dog chases rabbit, who can take refuge by running into any tree. As he runs in, the rabbit already there must run out. If dog touches rabbit they change roles.



A 15-cwt granite bust of Lord Robert Baden-Powell, Founder of our Movement, is being admired by the Dominican Republic Ambassador to London, Dr. Luis T. Thomen (centre). The bust was commissioned by the Government of the Dominican Republic from British sculptor Mr. Donald Potter (left), and is believed to be the first ever made of Lord Baden-Powell. The Boy Scouts of the Dominican Republic have asked that it should be set up near the Republic's national Scout centre in one of the principal squares of Ciudad Trujillo.



SCOUTING Digest

Souts Move Library in Trail, B.C.

We recently received a report of a "Good Turn" chain reaction centred in Trail, B.C.

A new city library was recently completed in the city and the local Scouts agreed to help move the books. On April 26th, 50 Scouts and Leaders transferred some 12,000 books to the new building—this meant that each Scout carried roughly 240 books a distance of three miles. Three hours saw the job completed.

The Scouts were then presented with the old building by the city which they plan to use as the District Headquarters.

As a further Scouting Good Turn, the Scouts plan to share the building with the Kootenay Society for Handicapped Children who will make use of the building during the day time leaving it free for the Scouts at night.

Camporees

Many Scouters are finding that a Camporee is an ideal way of improving Patrol camping standards. We recently received a report from the Nepean Area, Ottawa District, Camporee where 23 Patrols competed against a standard with great success. Top honours went to the Stag Patrol of the 1st Stittsville Troop. If you are thinking of running a Camporee in your locality, we would suggest you obtain a copy of the pamphlet, "How to Run a Boy Scout Camporee".

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Eight Patrols and a total of 48 boys from Halifax, Nova Scotia, took part in "Training Camporee 1958" held on the week-end of April 26th. The six dollars which was left-over after all the bills were paid was donated to the B.P. Centennial Fund. Each Scout paid a camp fee of twenty-five cents and each Scouter paid two dollars.

A Unique Training Course

"Adapt your methods to meet the needs" is an axiom with the Boy Scouts

that was admirably demonstrated recently when a combined curling bonspiel and Scout Leadership Training Course was held at Rouyn-Noranda, Quebec. Some 104 Scouters from the Hurricana, Rouyn-Noranda and Normetal Scouting Districts alternated sessions of curling with leadership training instruction periods under the direction of members of the Quebec Scout Council's Training Team. Originator of the plan was Scout Field Commissioner James Riddell of Quebec.

Scouts to Assist Goodwill Group

Scouts of Windsor, Ontario, have undertaken to help the local Goodwill Industries Group by delivering 50,000 Goodwill bags to Windsor homes within a six-week period.

Residents will be asked to collect their unuseable clothing and household articles and anything else that can be saved and made into a useful article. This is a good Conservation-type project.

Wood Badge Holders' Reunion

The 7th Ontario Provincial Reunion of Wood Badge Holders will take place at the Blue Springs Scout Reserve, Acton, Ontario over the week-end of September 6th. Anyone holding a Wood Badge is welcome to join the more than 200 who are expected to attend. The registration fee is \$1.00.

Full details can be obtained by writing to:

Ontario Gilwell Reunion Committee,
P.O. Box 305,
Thornhill, Ontario.

Ingenious Cub Builds House

We recently received an account from the Akela of the 1st Wellington, Ontario, Pack about the ingenious house and lot made by 10-year-old Cub Elvin East. The walls of the two-storey house are made with cardboard, coated

with flour and salt, and topped with a graham cracker roof. Landscaping the lot are carrot and parsnip trees with cereal walk and patios.

Poster Competition

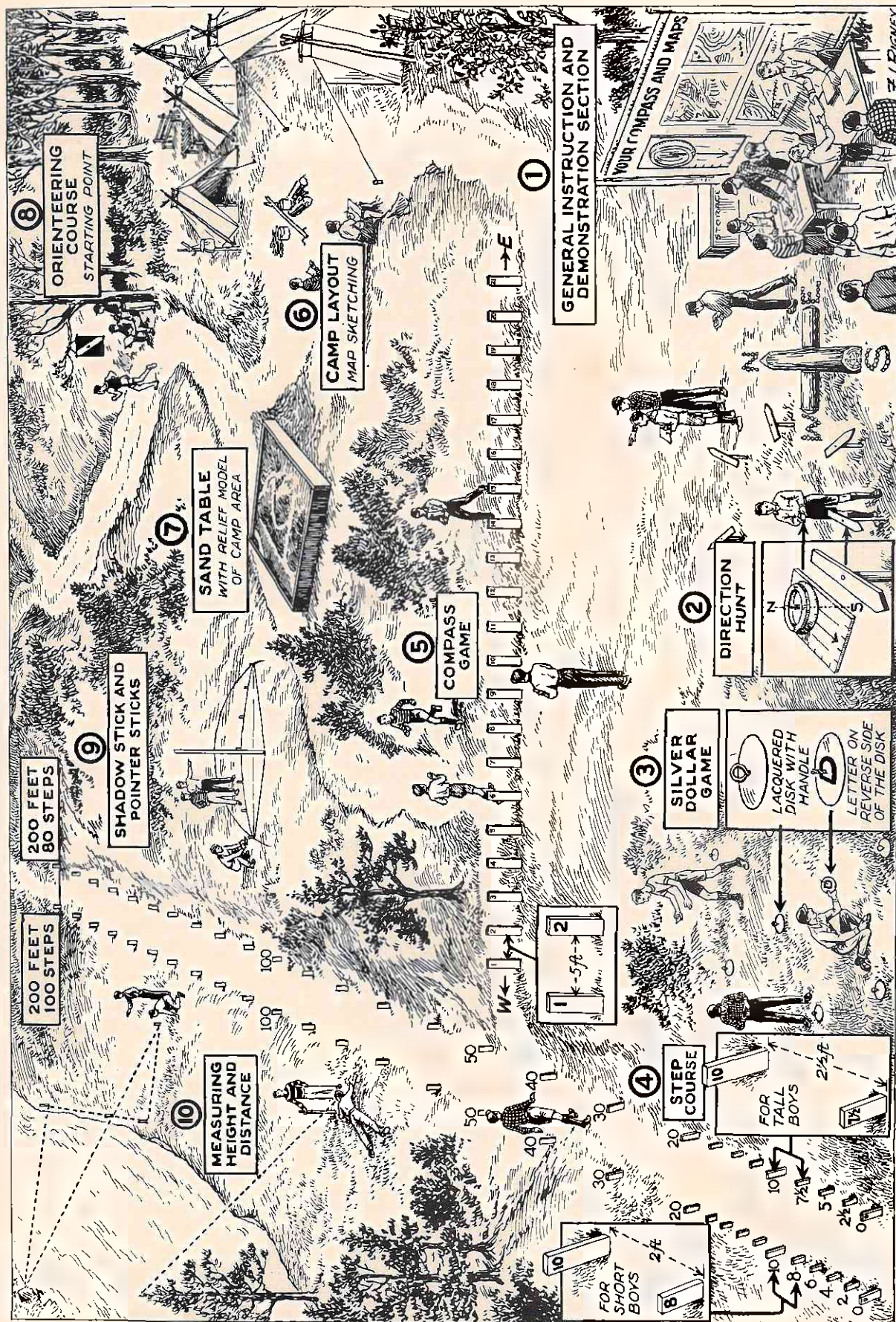
Of interest to Conservation-conscious members of the Scouting world is an international poster competition dealing with the general theme of conservation of nature and natural resources. This event is being sponsored by the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (I.U.C.N.) to commemorate their sixth general assembly and seventh technical meeting which will be held in early September in Athens, Greece.

The competitors, and the contest is open to all, are asked to choose their own subject provided that it relates to the general theme. All posters will be displayed in the Conference building in Athens. Prizes for the two best posters have been offered by the Association of Friends of I.U.C.N.—1st prize of \$150 and 2nd prize of \$50.

In addition, the United Nations organ, the Food and Agriculture Organization (F.A.O.) is planning to hold a world-wide poster exhibition during the Vth World Forestry Congress to be held in 1960 in the U.S.A. This competition will support the specified theme of forestry. The best posters relating to this theme, selected in the Union's competition would be eligible for entry in the F.A.O. display.

The poster designs, preferably in colour, should measure no less than 60 x 60 cm. The entries should not be signed; they should bear, on the back, a pseudonym or symbol, reproduced on a sealed envelope containing the competitor's name and address. The envelope should be attached to the entry.

Competitors are requested to send their entries, by registered post, to M. Jacques Santorinios, Secretary General of the Hellenic Society for the Protection of Nature, 4, rue Capsali, Athens, Greece; they should not arrive later than 15 August 1958. They should be marked: "I.U.C.N. Poster Competition".



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An explanation of points in the
Pathfinder Orienteering Area
(chart found on the opposite
page)

1. General Instruction and Demonstration Area

This area is where the basic instruction is done. Teaching the use of maps and compasses can be organized at this spot where models of maps and other orienteering material is available. A ground compass has been made out of logs to orient the campsite to north.

2. Direction Hunt

Usually set on a high spot of ground. Wooden arrows are aimed at different places. Under each arrow the correct compass direction has been printed. Anyone can then get the bearing with compass along each of the arrows and check it against the right bearing.

3. Silver Dollar Hunt

Tin can lids with lacquered surface to guard against rust are prepared with a letter or number on one side and a hook or handle on the other. These lids are used only to establish each person's starting point on a triangular compass walk.

4. Step Course

Two hundred foot step course to establish the length of a pace. Markers at one end for more accurate measurement.

5. Compass Game

Packaged game cards give instructions for each numbered marker. Can handle 20 contestants at one time. Scores can be rated for accuracy.

6. Camp Layout Sketching

Area where maps of camp area may be drawn.

7. Sand Table Relief

Campsite built up in sand. Example of contour lines and scale.

8. Orienteering Course

Start of cross country race area.

9. Shadow Sticks

Finding the time by using the sun's shadow, and compass.

10. Measuring Height and Distance

Triangulating distance using measured distances and bearing angles.



Photo by Monkman, Richmond Hill, Ont.

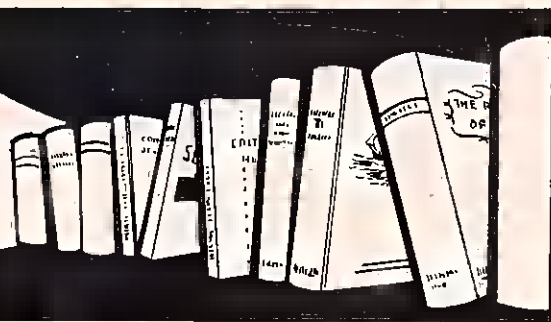
These Scouts from the 3rd Richmond Hill, Ontario, Troop are seen tuning in on Station VE-3-AFE to Jamboree-on-the-Air, which was held over the week-end of May 10th. The Troop's three Patrols took part in the exercise which saw them make contact with two stations in Puerto Rico, calling "C.Q. Jamboree", one being a Girl Guide Company, a Rover Scout in Toronto and a Troop in Hawkesbury, Ontario, where twenty-five boys were running Station VE3-BON. The 46th Ottawa Troop was contacted by a relayed message. It was unfortunate that conditions on this side of the Atlantic were poor resulting in few contacts being made with European Scouts but in spite of this the Richmond Hill Scouts feel that the venture was worthwhile and very successful.



Photo by Newton, Ottawa

Scouting is playing an ever increasing role in the Civil Defence programmes across the country. The Scout and two Rover Scouts in the picture are shown receiving instructions from a Distribution Officer during the recent annual Civil Defence Exercise held at the Federal Control Centre at Arnprior, Ontario, just west of Ottawa. These Scouts acted as messengers. From left to right are: Mr. L. Constanton, District Officer, Federal Control Centre; Malcolm McCulloch, 4th Rover Sea Scouts, Ottawa; Wally Seddon, 55th Manor Park Rovers, Ottawa; Mr. D. Bradley, District Officer, Federal Control Centre and Robert Harris, 55th Ottawa Troop.

SCOUTERS BOOKSHELF



How to Understand Animal Talk

By Vinson Brown

Illustrated by William D. Berry

Published by Little, Brown & Co.
(Canada) Ltd., Toronto

Price \$2.25

Throughout the writings of the Founder one finds a constant reference to the need for developing a keen sense of observation. In his experience as a Scout and soldier, B.-P. discovered how much more enjoyable life could be if one took time to observe what was going on and then spend some time discovering why things happen as they do.

The author of this book gives his readers an intriguing glimpse of the very definite pattern of "talking" in the animal world. Mr. Brown has worked with Scouts in the United States of America and his book is written in such a way that it would be most appealing to boys of almost any age group.

We would highly recommend this as an addition to a Troop library or to the personal library of the Scouter. It is particularly useful for reference in preparing yarns for Wolf Cub Packs or the Scoutmaster's Five Minutes.

The Story of Eyes

By S. Sutton-Vane

Illustrated by Anthony Ravielli

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

Price \$4.00

Every so often our attention is drawn to wonders of sight by the Canadian National Institute for the Blind but apart from this most of us are inclined to take for granted the amazing "machinery" of our eyes. At the same time it can be said that few of us know very much about the development and workings of our eyes and the eyes of other creatures in the animal world.

For example did you know that, "insects can have any number of eyes from two to fifty". "... the rhinoceros ... every now and then pulls the eyes deep into their sockets, whirls them around a bit and then slips them back into place."

These are just two of the many fascinating facts given in this intriguing story of the development of eyes.

The author starts with the beginning of the development of the eye and vision and ends with a stirring note on the value of eyes and keen vision in the not too distant space travel.

The illustrations of Anthony Ravielli are extremely clear and simple and add a great deal to this book. We would recommend it highly for older boys and particularly for Rover Scouts.

Hamid of Aleppo

By King and Giobannetti

Price \$2.50

Carol Moran

By Burchard

Price \$3.00

Wide-Awake Owl

By Slobodkin

Price \$2.50

All published by Brett-Macmillan
Ltd., Galt, Ontario

These three books are large picture books and designed for very young readers. The stories are all very simple and told with a combination of carefully chosen words and large easy-to-understand drawings. *Hamid* is a fascinating little creature who lives in Syria; *Carol Moran* is a real tug in New York and this story about her is at once exciting and informative; *Wide-Awake Owl* is a story of the problems of a small owl who simply could not learn how to go to sleep despite the efforts and advice of his many friends in the forest. If you are looking for a picture book for presentation to an eight year old these are excellent. They would also make prime gifts for anyone between the ages of five and eight.

Sons of the Wilderness

By Edward B. Tracy

Illustrated by Gerald McCann

Published by Dodd Mead & Co.

(Canada) Ltd., Toronto

Price \$3.50

One of the best ways for Canadian boys to learn about their own country is to read about it not in the dry history or natural science texts but in novels. This exciting story of the friend-

ship of two boys in the Canadian Bush country is exactly the kind of thing we would like to see more boys read.

This novel is packed with adventures and we suggest that any boy will find it good reading and will thrill with these two Canadian boys in their many exploits.

Bridges and Their Builders

By David B. Steinman and Sarah

Ruth Watson

Published by McClelland & Stewart
Ltd., Toronto

Price \$2.15

The designing and construction of bridges has played an important and vital part in the development of our civilization. The development of the bridge is an exciting story of man's conquest over natural elements and this book gives an interesting treatment of the subject.

The book starts with a brief account of primitive bridges, including the rope bridges which we still use in Scouting, then moves quickly through the era of the Roman bridge builders and more slowly through the covered bridges and on into steel and concrete and up until the present time.

In the section on covered bridges we were very sorry and somewhat amazed to see no mention whatever of the covered bridge at Harton, N.B. which is reputed to be the longest covered bridge in the world.

This book is not written for boys but for adults who are interested in this particular phase of the development of our civilization and our own country.

The New Way of the Wilderness

By Calvin Rutstrum

Published by Brett-MacMillan Ltd.,
Galt, Ont.

Price \$4.50

This is one of the very best books on camping that we have had the privilege of reviewing in a long time. It is being added to the Association's National Library and will be used extensively as a reference work for our own publications.

There is so much in this book that is of value to the Scouter that it is difficult to pick out any one or indeed dozens of things which stand out as being more useful than the rest of the material.

In particular, we would refer to the very excellent chapter on canoe camping and later on in the book an excellent treatment of Winter Camping. However there are a great many other fascinating parts of this book including Pack Horse travel, Wilderness cooking, Wilderness recipes and menus, and survival camping.

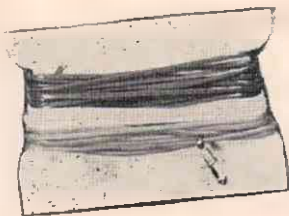


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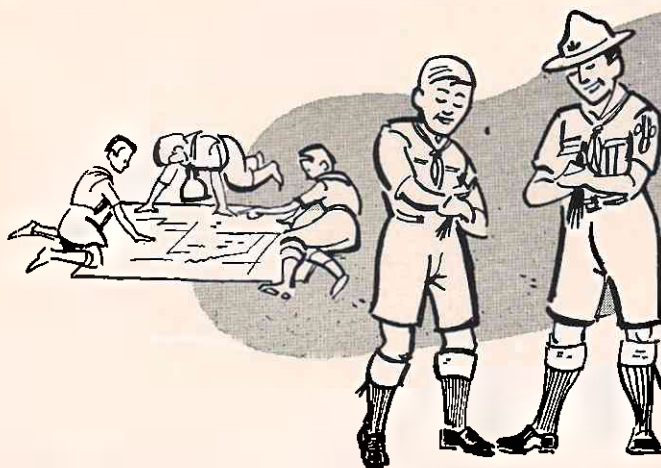
Baked Apple and Baked Banana

Baked fruit makes an excellent dessert. Cut a "lid" off the top of the apple, remove core, sprinkle in a teaspoon of sugar and if you have a bit of cinnamon to spare a sprinkling of it will transform the dessert from the category of 'good' to 'exquisite'. Place in middle of piece of foil, bring corners up over apple, then twist them together. Wrap up banana, skin and all, in a piece of aluminum foil. Place wrapped-up fruit in the hot coals. Apple bakes in about thirty minutes, banana in about ten minutes. Serve the tasty dessert in the foil and then sit back and wait for the compliments to fly.

Recently available is the booklet "Outdoor Cooking with Reynolds Wrap" which can be ordered by writing The Reynolds Aluminum Company of Canada Ltd., 1405 Peel St., Montreal, Que.



THE PATROL SYSTEM AND HOW IT OPERATES



The fourth in a series of four articles explaining the Patrol System and how it may be practised

4. THE PATROL GOES TO CAMP

The Founder said, "Camp is the Scoutmaster's great opportunity". It is equally the great opportunity of the Patrol, the Patrol Leader and each boy, if it is operated on the Patrol System. Only in camp do Scouts live together under the complete influence of the Scout programme for any continuous length of time. Under these conditions, the Patrol System has its greatest opportunity to help in forming a boy's character and the Scoutmaster, relieved of all detailed organization, except the overall responsibility, has time to observe what goes on around him and to help each individual with his problems.

In camp, the Patrol operates entirely on its own—whether it succeeds or fails depends on its previous training, the Patrol Leader's ability and the spirit which prevails among its members.

Training for Camping

Training for camping begins as soon as a boy joins the Troop. At Patrol Meetings and on hikes, he learns the basic skills that he will need, not only to be able to camp, but to be able to live comfortably and enjoyably in camp. Throwing a boy into deep water is not the best way to teach him to swim and the same theory applies to camping.

In a new Troop the Scoutmaster must first train his Patrol Leaders (and possibly Seconds) in camping by taking them on several short term camps as his Patrol. Even in established Troops it is an excellent idea for the Scouters to hold at least one Patrol Leader's training camp early each year. The programme for this camp will be designed to improve any weaknesses noted in previous camps, to put across new ideas or improved techniques and more advanced aspects of camping with

which the Patrol Leaders are not familiar. A Patrol Leader's training camp also serves to develop fellowship among the members of the Court of Honour and helps to build the 'esprit de corps' among them so necessary for harmonious functioning of the Troop as a whole.

Short Term Patrol Camps

The preparation and operation of Patrol Weekend or Short Term camps is much the same whether Scouters are present or not. The decisions made in your Troop will depend upon the experience and reliability of the Patrol Leaders and possibly Seconds, and the location of the camp site. Nevertheless, it should be emphasized that Patrol Leaders taking their Patrols to camp under approved conditions is a desirable standard which every Troop should achieve in time.

Patrol camps are planned by the Patrol-in-Council. They discuss the programme, the menus, the transportation, the cost, and so on, and then jobs are allocated to members of the Patrol. Usually, the Patrol Leader will make up the final programme, possibly the Patrol Cook and another will draw up the menu and purchase the stores. The Patrol Quartermaster will organize the equipment, someone else will arrange the transportation and the Patrol Treasurer will collect the necessary charge and provide the funds for purchasing food and incidentals.

The Patrol Leader will submit all the plans to his Scoutmaster well before the camp and they will discuss them thoroughly. No Patrol may go to camp without the Scoutmaster's permission.

Arriving in camp, the Patrol will set up its own self-contained camp includ-

CHIPMUNK PATROL ROSTER

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Patrol Leader Jim	Dish Washer	Wood	Asst. Dish Washer	Asst. Cook & water	Cook	Tent & kit
Second Tom First Alder	Tent & kit	Dish Washer	Wood	Asst. Dish Washer	Asst. Cook & water	Cook
Q.M. Brent	Cook	Tent & kit	Dish Washer	Wood	Asst. Dish Washer	Asst. Cook & water
Signaller Barry	Asst. Cook & water	Cook	Tent & kit	Dish Washer	Wood	Asst. Dish Washer
Engineer Wayne	Asst. Dish Washer	Asst. Cook & water	Cook	Tent & kit	Dish Washer	Wood
Time Keeper Chuck	Wood	Asst. Dish Washer	Asst. Cook & water	Cook	Tent & kit	Dish Washer

ing sleeping tent, stores tent, kitchen, dining area, latrine and ablution arrangements. The Patrol Leader is in complete charge of his Patrol and responsible for discipline and organization. If Scouters are present the part they play varies according to the experience of the Patrol Leader but under no circumstances should they interfere with the Patrol Leader's authority. Any suggestions for improvements or necessary instructions should be given in confidence to the Patrol Leader for him to carry out. Scouters can, of course, supervise swimming activities, organize games and activities at the request of the Patrol Leader and be present for passing grade and badge requirements.

If more than one Patrol is camping at the same time they should be well separated so as not to intrude upon each other. Here again the Scouters may organize inter-Patrol activities, if so requested. Scouters may prepare their own meals or be the guest of a Patrol.

If Scouters hope for responsible leadership from their Patrol Leaders, they must show faith in the boys' ability to lead their Patrols.

Long Term or Troop Camps

Troop camps are planned by the Court of Honour in conjunction with the Scouters. The original planning for the Annual Summer Camp should take place nine to ten months prior to camp being held. The selection of good camp sites is part of the training of a Scout so whenever possible the Patrol Leaders should visit the possible sites with their Scouters and Group Committeemen, so they may learn and have the opportunity to express their own choice. Once a site is chosen they should also select possible Patrol sites and make a map of the site to facilitate planning at home. Back at Troop Headquarters the copy of the map, together with any photographs or other relevant data, should be posted on the notice board to begin promoting the next summer camp.

When planning the programme it is important that the time is not taken up with only Troop activities, i.e. activities in which all Patrols will participate. There should be periods when each Patrol is free to operate its own activities in the charge of its Patrol Leader or Second.

The Court of Honour will also help in compiling menus and in drawing up food orders. Although each Patrol may do its own ordering at Summer camp and be entirely responsible for its food,

it is more usual for the food to be bought by the Troop Quartermaster, from whom Patrols draw daily rations.

The layout of a Troop camp will include separate and, if possible, secluded areas in which each Patrol will set up its own camp exactly as for a weekend camp. The Scouters should be, more or less, centrally located with the Medical, Quartermaster Stores and Equipment tents and the main flag pole and notice board.

It is recommended that all Troop Scouters eat with Patrols as their guest—each Scouter rotating to a different Patrol each day. This provides a wonderful opportunity for boys and Scouters to really get to know one another and causes good friendly rivalry as each Patrol tries hard to please its guest. Scouters are also able to keep a close check on each boy's health and condition by observing him at mealtimes.

The inter-Patrol Competition at Summer camp is best divorced from the regular weekly competition. The competition should be largely confined to camping standards, otherwise it can be over-emphasized and, by causing tension, tend to spoil the happy atmosphere of the camp. Score should be given for all phases of morning inspection (punctuality, personnel, tent and equipment, kitchen and pits, dining shelter and utensils, stores, and latrine), punctuality, quality and service of meals. Other scores may be introduced as necessary as an incentive to better discipline for specific activities and games, and occasionally for night inspection of sites or other surprise items.

It is important for Scouters to realize and remember that Scout camp is NOT a holiday camp—it is an essential part of Scout training and, in most cases, is the basic reason why the boys join the Movement. Camping with his Patrol, as described above, gives each boy identity as an important member of a team and the experience will develop his ability and self-reliance. In a well-organized Patrol there are no chores, because every boy has his responsibility and takes pride in seeing it through to a satisfactory conclusion for his pals. In this respect each Patrol Leader should draw up a roster for the daily routine so there is no likelihood of one or two boys being "Joed" for the same jobs.

Working for the Patrol and his pals is an important function in character building, therefore the practice of each boy "doing his own", e.g. washing up his own dishes, is generally to be deprecated. Naturally each boy will do what he can for himself and help out with other jobs, if necessary, when his own is completed. If the right spirit is generated in the Troop, by the Scouter's example, and in Patrols by the example of their Patrol Leaders, the boys will be looking for ways to help.

Make sure that the Scouts in your Troop are presented with a challenge in camping through the proper application of the Patrol System. That, quoting from the headings of the first article in this series, the "gang" through being responsible for its own welfare without adult interference, finds real adventure out of doors.



On April 20th, the dedication of the Cub shelter "Mowgli's Den" in memory of the late Mrs. Ursula Reeves took place at Camp Barnard, B.C. This shelter was erected by the people of Jordan River as a memorial and tribute to Mrs. Reeves for her devoted work to the Boy Scout Movement in the field of Cubbing. Attending the simple ceremony were the Jordan River Pack and Troop, Headquarters Staff and representatives from the Victoria District Council. Rev. D. L. Greene dedicated the building to the training of Cubs and the advancement of Scout ideals and Mr. A. Sage, Chairman of the Jordan River Group Committee, formally turned the shelter over to the Victoria District Association.

— HANDICRAFTS FOR CUBS —

By **AKELA DOROTHY MacDONALD**, 1st Charlottetown, P.E.I., Pack

Have you had a Handicraft Night lately or have you made any plans for special handicraft work for your Cubs? If not, plan now to make things for each special holiday as it comes along. Cards for friends, little gifts for Mother and Dad.

Realizing what a vast amount of time must be spent by Cubmasters in looking over and preparing fresh activities for the Pack, we have attempted to help a little by suggesting the following handicraft ideas which are within the scope of Cubs.

In our Pack, every now and then, we set aside 10 to 15 minutes of our Pack meeting for handicraft work. We have a sample of the project on display for the Cubs, this sample is completed previous to the meeting by one of the Leaders. The directions are explained very clearly step by step to the Cubs, material is supplied and then each Cub is on his own. Leaders are available for guidance but the work must be that of the Cub or else the joy of having done it by himself is gone.

You will be fascinated when you discover the wonderful work your Cubs can do so why not give them a chance to use their fingers as well as their minds?

Door Stops

Made from small jars, filled with sand and covered with coloured pictures or painted in various colours.

Calendars

Material required: last year's Christmas cards, coloured cardboard or heavy paper, ribbon and pads.

Cut out heavy paper or cardboard to the desired length, paste a scene from an old Christmas card on the top part, on the bottom staple a pad. Make a small round hole near the top and through this insert a ribbon in a small bow, this will serve as the loop to hold the calendar on the wall.

Kitchen Memo Pad

Make from several layers of heavy paper glued together or else a very thick cardboard of some bright colour, paste

a small memo pad at the bottom, and at the top paste a bright coloured picture of some animal or scene. Make a little round hole at the top and work a ribbon through it to hang up the pad.

Christmas Stockings

Make a pattern of a large sock out of cardboard or some kind of material. Take a large sheet of clear plastic material and cut the sock to pattern, trim the edges with red binding tape, and on the front of each sock put the letters in red tape of "MOM", "DAD" or whatever the sock is going to be used for such as "CANDY", etc.

Kitchen Pin Cushion

Cut out a large picture of a coloured woman or whatever your choice may be, paste it on top of several layers of colored paper or cardboard. Make a pincushion from old rags or cotton-batten, paste it on the skirt of Mandy. Insert a ribbon through the top to hang up the pincushion.

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Soap Pussycats

Material needed: a cake of soap, facecloth, black yarn, red yarn and sequins (black).

Fold facecloth, place soap in centre, roll cloth at front to form head, secure tightly with pins, make face on front with red yarn and sequins are used for eyes, whiskers are put on the face with the black yarn and finally a tail is added from yarn. This makes a cute gift for Mother.

Match Scratches

Body of cat cut from sandpaper and glued to heavy paper or coloured cardboard. Be sure the background is coloured. Print the words 'SCRATCH MY BACK', wherever there is space for them. Other designs may also be used for the background.

Christmas Corsages

Material required: small bells, silver leaves (which may be cut from heavy foil paper), wire, pine cones, green fern and ribbon.

Silver leaves are placed at the bottom, then the fern on top of this, attach these to the wire and then add the cones and bells, small snow-men also may be added, the cones should be sprayed with artificial snow to give a much nicer effect, finally a pretty red bow of ribbon, not too large, is placed at the bottom of the corsage.

Needlebook or Penwiper

Cut out two circles of coloured cardboard and join them together at the top forming a sort of booklet into which is inserted two cloth leaves. These should be of white flannel or some soft material if for a needlebook or chamois skin if for a penwiper. Paste a small picture of a duck or some animal on the cardboard.

Catshead String Bag

Hangs from the wall and holds a ball of string, twine comes out through the mouth.

Make pattern about nine inches high and eight inches wide from forehead to chin. When the pattern is made mark it off on two pieces of oilcloth. One piece is front of cat's head and the other is the back. Cat's eyes should be two inches apart. Paint them in with black enamel also paint nose and mouth. One part of the head should have a slit about five inches long for inserting the twine. Slit is cut crossways about one and a half inches from the top. Sew front and back of head together, seam about a half an inch in from the edge. Each ear should be padded, sew loop on back for hanger, leave edge raw or notch.

CANADA'S MAPLE LEAF

(From "The Maple Leaf Has A History" in *Forest and Outdoors*)

Research into Canadian historical documents reveals that the maple leaf became established as the emblem of Canada through use, without official enactment or public proclamation. Even prior to the year 1690, explorers coming up the St. Lawrence River recorded their admiration for the brilliant autumn colouring of the Canadian forests. They found that the tree contributing most to this display was the native sugar or hard maple. Thus from the earliest days, the maple tree became associated in the minds of the people with the country as a whole.

The earliest known public use of the maple leaf occurred at a banquet of the Saint Jean Baptiste Society in Montreal in 1836. The banquet hall was profusely decorated with branches and leaves of the sugar maple, and it is recorded that speakers praised the tree for its sturdiness in the forest, the substantial character of its wood for fuel and lumber, and its service to the pioneer in supplying an annual harvest of syrup and sugar.

In 1860 the maple was adopted in Toronto as a distinctive Canadian emblem on the occasion of the visit of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, who later became King Edward VII. In the parade in the Prince's honour, people born in Canada wore maple leaves and carried branches of the tree in their hands.

Later, Alexander Muir, an Ontario school teacher, composed a song, "The Maple Leaf Forever".

During both the South African War and World War I, the maple leaf was used on Canadian soldiers' uniforms, and Canadian militia and police units have it incorporated into their badges at the present time.

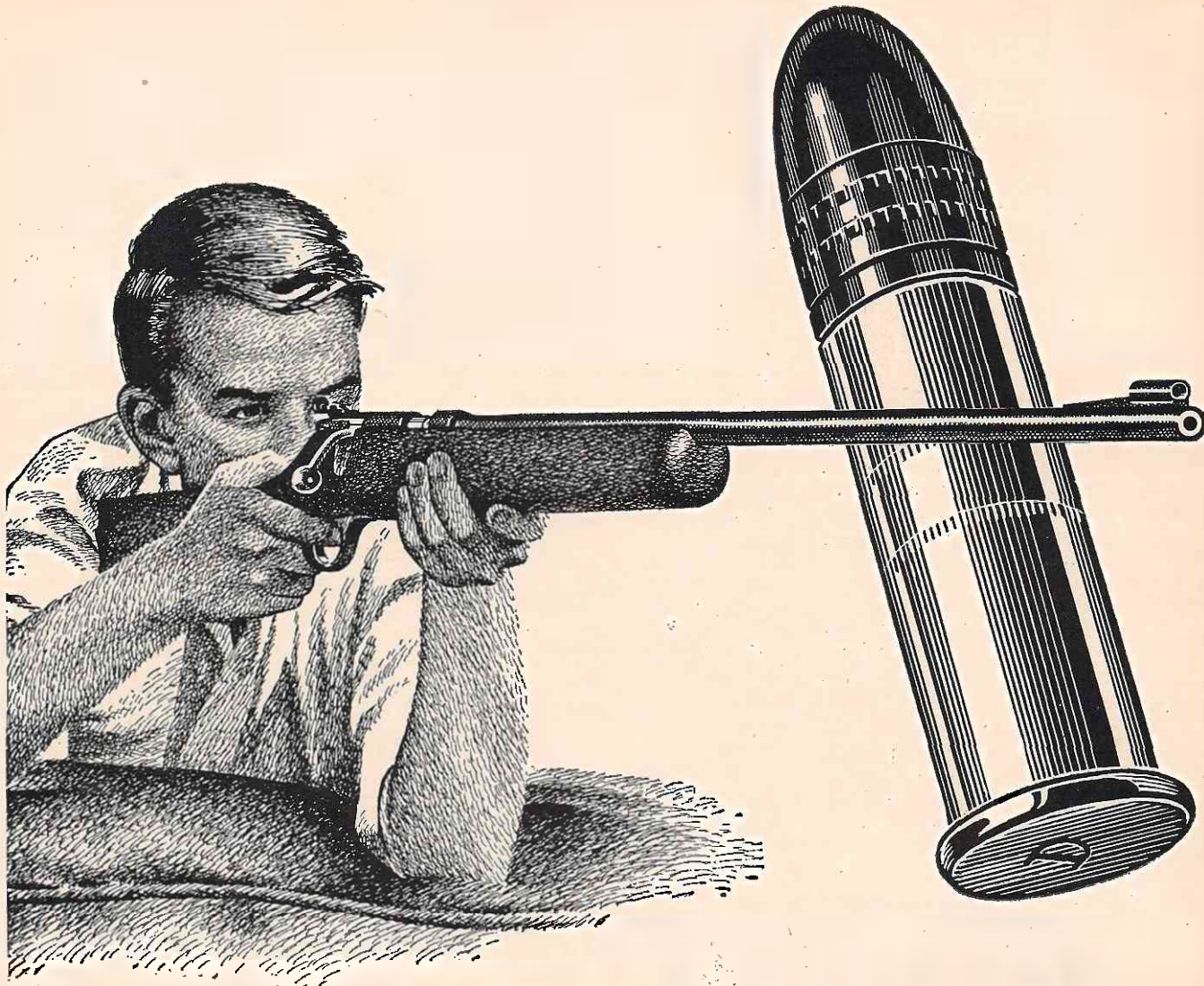
A Royal Proclamation of 1921, establishing the Canadian Coat-of-Arms, included a maple leaf in this official seal of the country.

There are ten species of maple trees native to Canada, but the species generally accepted for emblematic purposes is the sugar or hard maple (*Acer saccharum* Marsh).



Photo by Laporte, Edmundston

Brownies, Girl Guides, Cubs and Scouts of Edmundston, N.B., turned out in full force on May 20th to welcome His Excellency, the Governor General of Canada on his first official visit to the city. Along with the Canadian Legion, the young boys and girls formed a guard of honour outside the City Hall and after making his inspection His Excellency expressed admiration and appreciation of the large turn-out. The Chief Scout is shown greeting Cubmaster J. W. Sivers of the 1st Edmundston Pack.



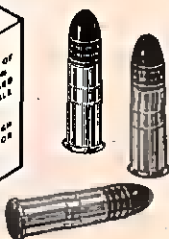
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ANNUAL REPORT 1957

of the Executive Committee of the Canadian General Council

THE BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION

(A SUMMARY)

The Annual General Meeting of the Canadian General Council was held at the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, Ontario, on May 10th.

On the nomination of His Excellency The Right Honourable Vincent Massey, C.H., Governor-General of Canada and Chief Scout, Mr. Rhys M. Sale was re-elected President of the Canadian General Council for his sixth term. Mr. R. C. Stevenson was re-elected as Vice-President of the Canadian General Council and Mr. Jackson Dodds, C.B.E., was re-appointed Deputy Chief Scout. Major E. C. Woolsey of Ottawa was re-elected Honorary Vice-President; Capt. Barry German, Ottawa, Honorary Secretary; Fletcher W. Troop, Ottawa, Honorary Treasurer; Capt. D. K. MacTavish, O.B.E., Q.C., Ottawa, Honorary Counsel; Earle T. Moore, Montreal, International Commissioner; Fred J. Finlay, Ottawa, Chief Executive Commissioner.

JUBILEE JAMBOREE, INDABA & MOOT

A report was presented of the participation of a Canadian Contingent of almost 1,500 to the Jubilee Jamboree, Indaba and Moot. As a similar

report has appeared previously in this magazine, this report is not being reprinted.

4th AMERICAN NATIONAL JAMBOREE

A brief report was given of the participation of a Canadian Contingent of 353 Scouts and Scouters who attended the 4th American National Jamboree at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania from July 12th to 18th. This representation of Canadian Troops formed the largest foreign contingent at this Jamboree.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

A report was submitted on the Canadian representation at the 16th International Conference held at Cambridge, England.

The highlight of this Conference was the adoption of "Operation Jubilee" which included the move of the Boy Scouts International Bureau from London, England to Ottawa.

CONSERVATION THEME

A brief report on Conservation Good Turns was concluded with the following statement. 'It is evident that Conservation has now established itself as a valuable, interesting and integral part of our programme.'

APPRECIATION TO VOLUNTEER WORKERS

To the many thousands of men and women who gave so generously of their time and abilities in providing leadership for the Wolf Cub Packs, Boy Scout Troops, and Rover Scout Crews and to those other thousands of men and women who served as members of Group Committees, Ladies' Auxiliaries, and District and Provincial Councils.

SCOUT GROUPS AND SECTIONS

GROUPS
PACKS
TROOPS
CREWS

Over-seas	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man. & N.W. Ont.	Sask.	Alta. & N.W.T.	B.C. & Yukon	La Fed.	Total 1957	Total 1956
9	82	26	254	184	268	1774	309	227	425	624	363	4556	4244
8	46	32	219	140	318	2231	393	235	449	756	213	5039	4575
9	70	24	198	151	233	1538	239	180	333	481	296	3752	3544
1	3	—	2	21	30	233	14	3	18	33	47	405	369

SCOUT BROTHERHOOD FUND

RECEIPTS

Balance on Hand, January 1st, 1957	\$1,201.12
Donations	422.95
	<u>\$1,624.07</u>

EXPENDITURES

1st Nakusp Troop, B.C. (equipment lost by fire)	157.65
Mr. Joshi, The Bharat Scouts and Guides New Delhi, India (12 World Brotherhood Scouting for Boys)	10.96
	<u>\$ 168.61</u>
Balance as at 31st Dec. 1957	<u>\$1,455.46</u>
	<u>\$1,624.07</u>

CAMPING



Province	Registered Camps		Total Boys In Camp		Total Camper-Days	
	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956
Nfld.	41	33	1,004	941	10,543	8,147
P.E.I.	19	13	681	524	4,123	3,479
N.S.	51	38	1,567	1,373	12,242	13,044
N.B.	74	63	2,200	2,000	15,317	15,000
Que.	40	36	4,257	2,365	32,281	26,742
Ont.	410	394	24,725	30,583	166,000	136,162
Man. & N.W. Ont.	78	72	2,664	1,814	12,439	10,358
Sask.	33	39	866	817	6,374	6,588
Alta. & N.W.T.	125	111	2,707	2,169	18,376	14,569
B.C. & Yukon	95	111	1,962	2,279	12,678	14,874
LA FEDERATION	627	574	12,259	11,467	126,912	113,685
TOTALS	1,593	1,484	54,892	56,332	417,285	362,648

STATEMENT OF CENSUS AS AT 31st DECEMBER 1957

Provinces	Wolf Cubs	Boy Scouts	Lone Scouts	Sea Scouts	Rover Scouts	Rover Sea Scouts	Grand Total Boy Members	Adult Leaders	Dec. 31 1957 Total	Dec. 31 1956 Total
OVERSEAS	574	254			5		833	94	927	696
Nfld.	1,257	1,758	3	20	30	=	3,068	282	3,350	3,063
P.E.I.	741	430	=	=	=	=	1,171	136	1,307	1,358
N.S.	5,688	3,686	79	-	26	=	9,479	961	10,440	9,535
N.B.	4,269	3,015	35	45	180	=	7,544	799	8,343	7,520
QUE.	8,768	4,529	34	149	220	28	13,728	1,327	15,055	13,891
ONT.	64,791	29,487	-	1,098	1,666	87	97,129	9,704	106,833	97,676
MAN.	9,802	3,997	40	78	88	=	14,005	1,384	15,389	13,713
SASK.	5,250	3,190	113	28	12	=	8,593	832	9,425	9,086
ALTA.	12,178	5,788	60	-	115	=	18,141	1,755	19,896	17,865
B.C.	17,308	7,414	10	189	248	-	25,169	2,910	28,079	27,864
LA FEDERATION	5,040	7,956	-	=	813	=	13,809	2,365	16,174	15,341
TOTAL DEC. 31/57	135,666	71,504	374	1,607	3,403	115	212,669	22,549	235,218	=
TOTAL DEC. 31/56	125,457	66,000	434	1,539	3,383	172	196,985	20,623	=	217,608
INCREASE	10,209	5,504	-	68	20	=	15,684	1,926	17,610	=
DECREASE	=	=	60	=	=	57	=	=	=	=
PERCENTAGE	8.13	8.34	13.82	4.42	.6	33.14	7.96	9.33	8.09	=

MEMBERSHIP

Along with the Statement of Census of membership for the past year, two graphs are included which review membership patterns as they have developed since 1921. Figure 1 shows membership in Cubs and Scouts, 1921-1957, as a percent of the eligible boy populations. Figure 2 shows rates of growth for the combined Cub-Scout membership and the eligible population, (8-17 yrs.), relative to each other.

During 1957, Cub membership increased to 19.8% from 19.0% in 1956 of boys in the eligible ages (8 to 11 yrs.). Similarly, there was a gain in Scout members from 8.7% in 1956 to 9.0% in 1957 of the boys in the eligible ages (12-17 yrs.). However, when adjustment is made for the change in the "going-up" age the re-

sulting percentage in 1957 for Cubs rises to 22.3% of the (reduced) eligible population and drops to 8.2% for Scouts of the (increased) eligible boy population, the result mainly of the heavy and growing concentration of membership about the ten-year-old age group. When rates rather than amounts of increase are considered both Cubs and Scouts since 1948 have been growing at an average rate of slightly more than two and a half times as fast as their respective eligible populations. There are marked variations from province to province. Provinces, for example, showing largest numerical increases tend to have the lowest rates of increase. These and related data and graphs for individual provinces may be had on application to Canadian Headquarters.

GROUP AFFILIATIONS

Churches	Over-seas	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man. & N.W. Ont.	Sask.	Alta. & N.W. Ter.	B.C. & Yukon	La Fed.	Total 1957	Total 1956	+ Inc. - Dec.
CHURCHES															
Anglican	-	7	3	38	28	44	318	49	15	41	83	-	626	600	+ 26
Baptist	-	-	1	26	14	3	66	8	5	11	14	-	148	139	+ 9
Hebrew	-	-	-	2	3	8	16	4	1	1	1	-	36	33	+ 3
Latter Day Saints	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	2	38	7	-	54	53	+ 1
Lutheran	-	-	-	1	-	-	15	9	8	13	9	-	55	48	+ 7
Pentecostal	-	-	-	-	-	1	12	1	-	-	1	-	15	7	+ 8
Presbyterian	-	1	2	9	3	7	119	15	6	13	15	-	190	175	+ 15
Roman Catholic & K. of C.	-	18	3	30	43	24	175	15	15	39	31	363	756	725	+ 31
Salvation Army	-	14	1	8	1	2	51	7	-	6	13	-	103	99	+ 4
United Church	-	16	1	56	25	26	334	63	35	54	88	-	698	625	+ 73
Joint Churches	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	3	3	2	2	-	18	13	+ 5
Others	-	4	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	9	5	-	21	26	- 5
TOTALS	-	60	11	171	117	115	1122	175	90	227	269	363	2720	2543	+177
SCHOOLS															
H. & S. and P.T.A.	-	-	2	14	11	4	75	7	20	25	56	-	214	128	+ 86
Public Schools	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	1	-	-	2	-	7	49	+ 26
Private Schools	-	-	-	-	-	2	3	1	-	3	7	-	16	9	+ 1
Training Schools	-	-	-	3	-	1	1	3	-	-	-	-	8	9	+ 1
Indian Schools	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	4	2	3	1	-	12	9	+ 3
Orphanages	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	+ 1
University	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	+ 1
Others	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	+ 1
TOTALS	-	-	2	17	13	12	81	16	22	31	66	-	260	197	+ 63
SERVICE CLUBS															
Rotary	-	-	-	-	1	1	32	1	2	2	4	-	43	40	+ 3
Lions	-	2	1	-	-	1	61	3	4	13	7	-	92	67	+ 25
Optimist	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	-	-	2	-	-	20	17	+ 3
Kiwanis	-	-	-	3	1	-	13	2	2	-	3	-	24	22	+ 2
Kinsmen	-	2	-	-	-	-	15	2	2	6	9	-	36	28	+ 8
Others	-	-	-	-	1	-	15	1	-	-	-	-	17	38	- 21
TOTALS	-	4	1	3	3	2	154	9	10	23	23	-	232	212	+ 20
CIVIC GROUPS															
Canadian Legion	-	1	4	3	6	3	34	19	19	13	32	-	134	93	+ 41
Elks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	6	12	2	-	21	17	+ 4
Bd. of Trade, C. of C.	-	-	-	-	1	-	10	1	8	6	4	-	30	24	+ 6
Women's Institutes	-	-	3	-	3	-	7	1	-	2	9	-	25	22	+ 3
Others	-	-	4	-	2	4	10	5	5	33	63	-	126	72	+ 65
TOTALS	-	1	11	3	12	7	61	27	38	66	110	-	336	228	+108
HANDICAPPED															
Blind	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-
Deaf	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	1	1	-	-	5	3	+ 2
Crippled	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	2	1	1	5	-	13	9	+ 4
Mentally Retarded	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	1	1	1	2	-	9	3	+ 6
Others	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	8	- 7
TOTALS	-	-	-	2	-	1	12	3	3	3	7	-	31	26	+ 5
ARMED SERVICES															
Navy	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	4	3	+ 1
Army	3	-	-	1	1	4	6	3	-	4	-	-	22	22	-
Air Force	6	2	1	2	2	10	14	3	2	7	4	-	53	44	+ 9
Joint Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	3	1	+ 2
TOTALS	9	2	1	6	3	14	20	8	2	11	6	-	82	70	+ 12
MISCELLANEOUS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38	- 38
COMMUNITY GROUPS	-	15	-	52	36	117	324	71	62	64	143	-	884	930	- 46
GRAND TOTALS	9	82	26	254	184	268	1774	309	227	425	624	363	4545	4244	+301

Figure 1

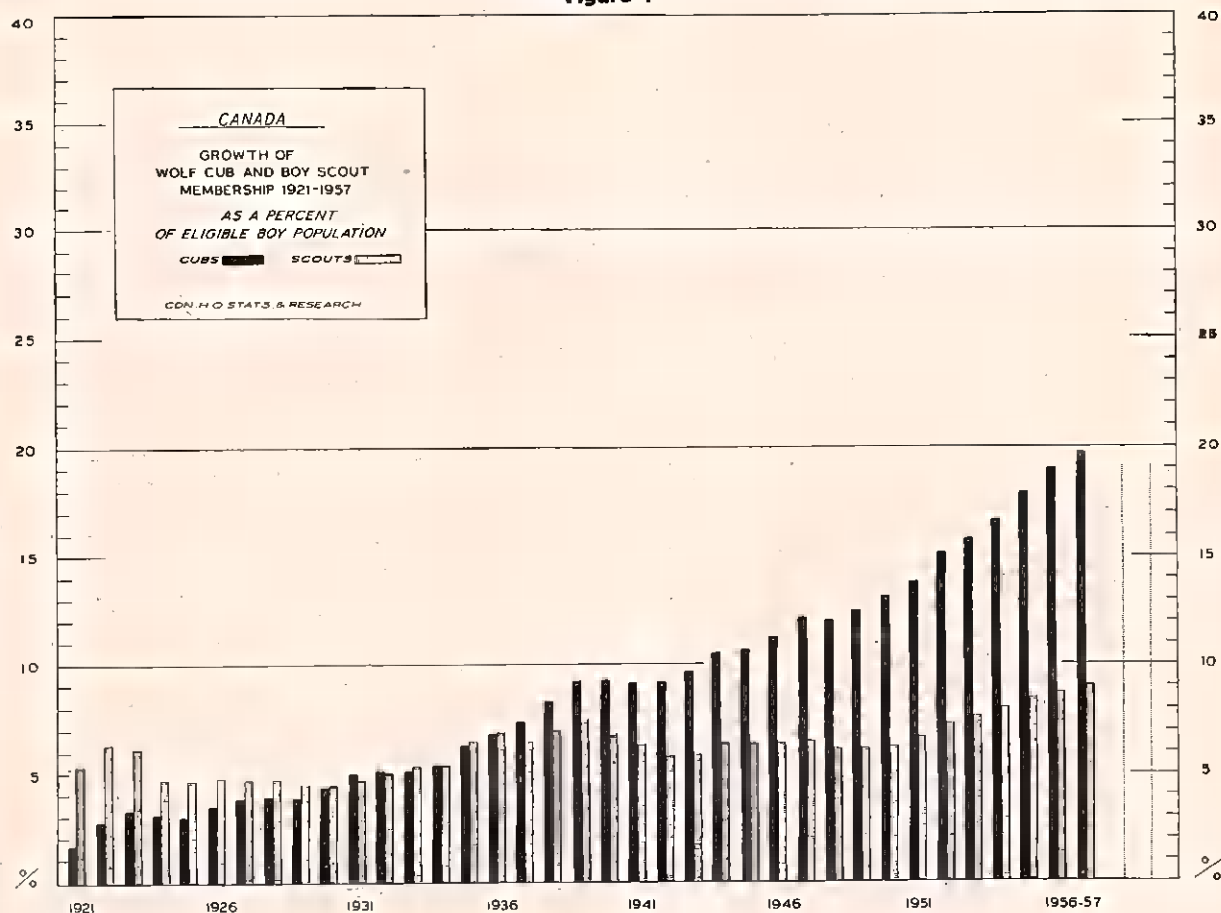
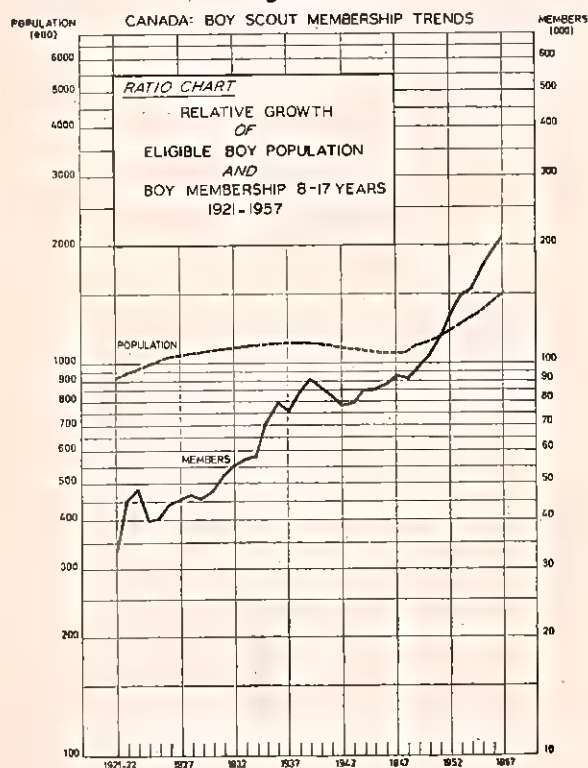


Figure 2



NEW CANADIAN HEADQUARTERS BUILDING

Your Executive Committee, recognizing the inadequacy of the present Canadian Headquarters Building in Ottawa and realizing the need to provide greater facilities for the secretariat of the Canadian General Council so that proper service can be rendered to an ever-increasing membership, purchased a suitable property on the outskirts of the City on which to erect a new Canadian Headquarters Building.

Authority was also given for the formation of a Building Advisory Committee under the chairmanship of Mr. Barry German, Honorary Secretary.

TRANS-CANADA REPORTS



NEWFOUNDLAND

MEMBERSHIP and ORGANIZATION

We are pleased to report an increase in membership in most Sections of the Movement which has now reached a total of 3,350. One new District has been formed, thus dividing the Province, with the exception of Labrador, into six major Districts.

TRAINING

With the appointment of an Assistant Provincial Commissioner for Training, this important phase of Scouting is progressing favourably. Already one District Bronze Arrowhead Course has been held and extensive plans have been made for Training Courses to be held in 1958.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

To commemorate 50 years of Scouting, and to promote Scouting generally, the Association presented to the Memorial Library in St. John's a complete set of books on Scouting. The presentation was made during Young Canada Book Week.

Because of the ever increasing growth of the Movement within the Province during the past few years, it was found necessary to secure a larger Provincial Headquarters. We are pleased to report that this step was made and the Provincial Office is now located at 288 Duckworth St., in the centre of the business district of St. John's.

CAMPING

Forty-one Cub and Scout Camps were held during 1957, with a total of 1,004 boys participating. This figure does not include the number who attended the 9th World Jubilee Jamboree in England or the 4th American National Jamboree in the United States.

As part of the celebrations of Scouting's Jubilee Year, the 1st All Newfoundland Provincial Jamboree was held, attended by over 300 Scouts and Scouters from more than 21 communities and Districts. The camp proved to be a great success and a most fitting celebration for our 50th Anniversary.

INTERNATIONAL

Six Scouts attended the American Jamboree and 33 Scouts and Scouters attended Jubilee J.I.M.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The Provincial Council expresses its appreciation to the Newfoundland Government, the Armed Forces, the R.C.M.P., and to the people of the Province generally for their continued support, in the many undertakings of the Association during 1957.



PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

MEMBERSHIP and ORGANIZATION

Scouting in Prince Edward Island has a membership of 1,307. This total shows a slight decrease for the year 1957.

TRAINING

Scouters in the Province had an active year in training. Bronze Arrowhead courses were conducted for Scouts in Summerside and Charlottetown and a highly successful Silver Arrowhead course was held at the Provincial camp-site. In addition, several specialist courses were held for Boy Scouts throughout the Province. Two Preliminary Training courses were held for Pack Scouters and a week-end course, featuring Scouting in the open, proved useful for Troop Scouters. Three Troop Scouters and ten Pack Scouters attended Wood Badge Courses, Part II, in Nova Scotia. Introductory courses were held in Tignish, Summerside, Central Royalty, Charlottetown and Montague.

CONFERENCES

Prince Edward Island was pleased to play host to the National Training Committee and to the Executive Committee of the Canadian General Council in October. In December the annual Scouter-Guider Ball was held in the Charlottetown Hotel.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Special projects included a Charlottetown city wide clean up early in May, cleaning Victoria Park in Charlottetown, tree planting in Summerside and more work on the conservation projects at Camp Buchan, Point Prim. Combined rallies with Girl Guides were held in Souris, Slemon Park and Charlottetown featuring five Jamborees and the B.-P. Centenary. The annual Track and Field day for Boy Scouts, Wolf Cubs, Girl Guides and Brownies was held in October at Memorial Field, Charlottetown.

CAMPING

A record for this Province was set in camping again this year with 681, 52% of our membership, attending 19 registered camps for a total of 4,123 camper days.

AWARDS

A Queen's Scout Presentation Ceremony took place in the historic chambers of the Confederation Building in Charlottetown in October when eleven Scouts received Queen's Scout Certificates from Hon. A. W. Matheson, Premier of Prince Edward Island. Queen's Scouts were honoured to meet the Deputy Chief Scout, Mr. Jackson Dodds, and visiting members of the Executive Committee of the Canadian General Council.

INTERNATIONAL

Five Scouts attended the American Jamboree and 16 Scouts and Scouters took part in Jubilee J.I.M.

PUBLICATIONS

Provincial Headquarters published a Lone Scout Bulletin, a regular Scout News Bulletin and the Annual Report of the Association in May.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The Provincial Council expresses its sincere appreciation to the many agencies and individuals who have supported the work of the Association throughout the year.

**NOVA SCOTIA****MEMBERSHIP and ORGANIZATION**

Membership reached a total of 10,440, an increase of 905 over the previous year. Of this total 9,479 are boy members, an increase of 805. An increase of 100 Scouters over the previous year brought the total to 961.

TRAINING

Eighteen Preliminary Courses and two Specialization Courses were conducted in 1957 and the Maritime Wood Badge Courses for Pack and Troop Scouters were also held in the Province; 43 Nova Scotia Scouters attending.

74 Bronze Arrowhead and 5 Silver Arrowhead certificates were awarded, a considerably smaller number than in 1956.

CONFERENCES

A Commissioners' Conference in April was attended by John L. MacGregor, Executive

Commissioner (Training), Canadian Headquarters, who led a session on Training.

Two hundred and ninety-one Scouters and their wives registered for the Second Annual Provincial Conference held in Halifax. Special speakers included the Premier of Nova Scotia, the Attorney-General for Nova Scotia and B. H. Mortlock, Executive Commissioner (Relationships) Canadian Headquarters.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Conservation was carried out again in 1957 by many groups but the reports received were limited in number. Tree planting was carried out in many sections of the Province and other activities included a Woodlot Management Plan by one Troop, a Pack maintaining 34 bird feeding stations, and a number of reports of clean-up campaigns in cemeteries and vacant lots.

CAMPING

The number of registered camps and campers increased in 1957 but the number of Scouts attending a long term camp is less than 50% of the total. There were 1,567 campers in 51 registered camps and a total of 12,242 camping days.

Following up on an experiment of the year before, 18 selected Scouts camped for one week in lean-to shelters. Meals included living for the week on bannock and twists (no bread being served), catching their own fish and cooking without utensils. Some of the training items were the use of map and compass in the woods without benefit of trails, making survival kits, making a pack rack from wood cut and fashioned on the site, and the trial and use of plastic sheets in place of canvas for a lean-to frame. This course in woodsmanship will be further developed and an increasing number of older Scouts be given the opportunity of attending.

A member of the Executive Staff has served on the Executive Committee of the Nova Scotia Camping Association and for a term as President.

AWARDS

The Queen's Scout Ceremony was held in November with 50 Queen's Scouts receiving their certificates from the Lieutenant-Governor. The Queen's Scouts were guests of the Provincial Council at a dinner in the evening.

INTERNATIONAL

Twenty Scouts from Winston Salem, North Carolina, who arrived in Halifax on a U.S. Navy vessel, were entertained by the Halifax District Council for two days with a tour of the city, a trip to the Department of Lands and Forests Wild Life Park and a visit to the Scout camp.

59 Scouts attended Jubilee J.I.M. and 13 Scouts attended the Valley Forge Jamboree.

PUBLICATIONS

Publications issued in Nova Scotia included the Annual Report, a Monthly News Bulletin and "District Council Notes" issued periodically to Presidents and Commissioners.



Scouts in Halifax, N.S. performed an outstanding Good Turn in providing Christmas gifts to youngsters in an orphanage in that city. Above two of the Scouts present gifts at the special Christmas Party.

HANDICAPPED SCOUTING

Scout Troops are operating at the School for the Blind and the School for the Deaf in Halifax and a Pack and a Troop at the Nova Scotia Training School for Mentally Retarded Children. The Training School is located in Truro. During the year a Pack was operating at the Children's Hospital but is temporarily inactive.



NEW BRUNSWICK

MEMBERSHIP and ORGANIZATION

During 1957 New Brunswick membership increased by 11%. The increase was general with the exception of Rovers where a small decrease occurred due to the change in age. All Groups are included in the 14 District Councils and the next organizational

step is to subdivide some of our larger Districts. Badge depots have been set up in all large centres.

TRAINING

Twenty-seven Scouters received Wood Badge Training and a total of 278 Scouters took some kind of leadership training. For the first time in our Scouting history we conducted a training course for Rover Scout Leaders and Rover Mates with 31 attending. Ninety-nine Patrol Leaders received Bronze Arrowhead certificates and 2 Silver Arrowhead Courses were conducted with 60 boys in attendance. At the present time the Provincial Training Team consists of 4 Deputy Camp Chiefs, 1 Akela Leader, 2 Assistant Deputy Camp Chiefs, and 8 Assistant Akela Leaders capable of conducting training in both French and English.

CONFERENCES

The annual Scouters' Conference was held at Fredericton in October. A conference for District Commissioners was held just after the annual meeting in November and for the first time a conference was held on district organization for District Presidents of the 14 districts. These proved to be very successful conferences and will be repeated again next year. A Rover St. George's Day Mootee was held in April with Rovers from all parts of the Province attending. The 13th annual Rover Moot was held during the Labour Day week-end. A conference of Silver Arrowhead Scouts resulted in the formation of an Alumni.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Many Groups and Districts continued to use Conservation in their programme. Pollen collection stations were manned in nearly all districts for three months with many Troops working on rag-weed elimination. Trees were planted in the Woodstock area and conservation in some phase or other has become part of the programme content in many of the Scout groups. The Saint John District Rover Round Table raised money from a handicraft display to buy toys for children in the Provincial Mental Hospital. Successful toy shops were conducted in some districts.

CAMPING

Seventy-four registered camps were conducted with 2,200 boys in camp totalling 15,317 camper days. This is an increase of 11 registered camps from the previous year. In nearly every case Scouts camped under the Patrol System in Troop camps. Camp observers were able to visit a majority of the camps and reported a reasonable standard of camping.

AWARDS

The Queen's Scout Recognition Ceremony was held in Fredericton on the 15th of June with our Honourary President, Hon. Mr. Justice W. A. I. Anglin, O.B.E., M.C., E.D., presenting certificates to 65 Queen's Scouts. Major-General John M. Rockingham, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., E.D., gave a very interesting talk at the luncheon preceding the ceremony.

Special certificates were presented to 28 Scouts who had gained the Bushman's Thong. This presentation was carried out prior to the Queen's Scout Recognition Ceremony.

INTERNATIONAL

Thirty-one New Brunswick Scouts attended the Valley Forge Jamboree. A total of 88 Scouts and Scouters attended J.I.M. Since these Jamborees, our Scouts and Scouters have been busy telling the Jamboree story to many Groups both within and without the Scout Movement. Thirty Scouts from New Brunswick visited Cambridge, Mass., on an exchange visit. Twenty Explorer Scouts and Leaders from the Cambridge Council of The Boy Scouts of America attended the 13th New Brunswick Rover Moot.

PUBLICATIONS

The "Trailman" magazine was published every second month during the year. This magazine is distributed to all Scouters, Chairmen of our Group Committees, and officers of the District Councils. Our Provincial Annual Report was also distributed in printed form.



Mr. Eli Boyaner, Provincial Commissioner for New Brunswick presenting a Bushman's Thong certificate to one of the 28 boys who received certificates at a special ceremony.

HANDICAPPED SCOUTING

The Moncton Rotary Club sponsors a Cub Pack for handicapped Cubs in the Tuberculosis Hospital in Moncton. The Fredericton District Rover Round Table is presently making plans for a Scout Group in the Polio Clinic of the Fredericton Hospital.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

With a very active Public Relations Associate at least two releases per week were forwarded to newspapers and radio stations in the Province with a follow-up by the Public Relations Associate in each District.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

New Brunswick is most appreciative of the co-operation received from the press, radio and TV, the New Brunswick Forest Service, the R.C.M.P., the Canadian Army, and our own Canadian Headquarters.



QUEBEC

MEMBERSHIP and ORGANIZATION

Membership increased to 14,981 including 1,327 Scouters; with the percentage now about 63% for Montreal and 37% for the other parts of the Province.

The Laurentian District was divided during the year and there is now a new District called Foot-hills District, which brings our total up to 29 Districts, 15 of them outside Montreal Region.

TRAINING

A total of 25 Scouters' courses were held during the year and 525 certificates issued. However, no figure is available for introductory interviews of new Scouters; and the Commissioners' course held in 1956 was replaced with a Presidents' and Commissioners' Conference for which no certificates were issued. (Attendance was 51). Furthermore, as the session known as Scouting Explained is now handled by the districts themselves, no central record is kept.

Several Districts held Bronze Arrowhead courses and 188 Scouts were granted certificates. No Silver Arrowhead course was held during the past year.

A new course for District Contact Committeemen was held and 26 qualified for a certificate; and good results were achieved with the new syllabus for a two-part Preliminary course for Troop Scouters.

Plans are in hand for the setting up of an adult training committee to co-ordinate all branches of training both technical and administrative.

Perhaps the most important thing in training during the past year was the sending of a party of four members of the training team by air into the Seven Islands district to put on a "crash programme" for both Scouters and committee people, seventy of whom attended parts or all of the weekend's activities.

CONFERENCES

Chief Executive Commissioner

Fred J. Finlay was the guest of honour at our 21st Scouters' Conference held at North Hatley over Thanksgiving week-end and attended by some 200 Scouters, committee people and their husbands and wives. More than a hundred adults also attended the first conference of a similar nature held in the Northern Region. Over the week-end of May 24-26 another Rover-Ranger conference was held at Camp Tamaracouta and attended by upwards of 200 members of those branches of the Scout and Guide Movements. The 9th Quebec Rover Moot was held in the Pontiac District over the Labour Day week-end.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Conservation is now, for the most part, included in the regular Scout and Cub programmes although special efforts were reported in some districts.

B.-P. Sunday was widely advertised by a special letter to more than 200 clergy asking their co-operation in the observance of this day. Reports on the results in church parades, Scout participation in services, etc., were good.

Special mention should, perhaps, be made of a little ceremony held on Baden-Powell's 100th birthday anniversary outside Provincial Headquarters. Three years ago, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. Garnett M. Strong of Montreal presented to the Association in Montreal a Haida Indian totem pole, and it was erected in Camp Tamaracouta. In order to better identify Scout headquarters the pole was brought in to Montreal and Dr. Marius Barbeau, consultant to the Museum of Human History, Ottawa, was invited to formally unveil the totem pole. This he graciously did, clad in costume and with the chanting of appropriate Indian dirges, in the presence of Mr. Jackson Dodds, Deputy Chief Scout, and a number of Scout officials.

In the two toy repair shops in Montreal over 4,000 toys were accepted, repaired and distributed throughout the year.

We are happy to report completion of small collections over the past three years from Cubs and Scouts throughout the Province for a total sum of \$785 to cover the cost of an X-ray camera for the Montreal Children's Hospital. This new camera costing \$750 replaced one given to the hospital some years ago.

Hardly a year goes by without our Scouts being called upon somewhere in the Province to help the police search for lost persons.

CAMPING

During the year forty registered camps were held throughout the province with a total attendance of 4,257 boys plus leaders for a total of 32,281 camper days.

As in the past, we enjoyed the help of the Royal Life Saving Society and the Red Cross Society; instruction was given at a number of camps for the awards of those societies; and quite a number earned. Directly as a result of such instruction, Sea Scouts rescued a girl from drowning during a squall which struck a small regatta at one of the yacht clubs on Lake St. Louis.

Rescues were also effected by the same Sea Scouts through the use of the motor boat maintained for such

service at the base, S.S.S. Venture. At the end of the season one of the Scouters ran a Cox'n and Crash-boat course which, if approved by the Sea Scout Committee, will be repeated next year as training for the Rover Search and Rescue Service operated at the base.

AWARDS

Our Patron, the Lieutenant-Governor, invited the Council to hold the Queen's Scout Recognition Ceremony in the Legislative Council Chamber of the Parliament Buildings in Quebec, and most of the 115 Scouts who had gained the award received certificates from His Honour and were addressed by him.

INTERNATIONAL

Quebec was represented at the Jubilee Jamboree in England by 94 Scouts and Scouters and at the American Jamboree by 26 Scouts and Scouters.

One special feature of the Jubilee Jamboree was the fact that, Montreal being both an air and sea port, many hundreds of Scouts passed through the city and were helped in many ways. A camp-site was set up just outside the city and prior to their departure for the Jamboree, Scouts were assembled there to become acquainted and knit into a unit under their temporary leaders.

About sixty Scouts and leaders from four northern Vermont Troops visited brother Scouts just outside Montreal and later the visit was reciprocated.

PUBLICATIONS

A bulletin or newsletter covering sundry notices and bits of information is issued sometime during each month of the fall, winter and spring seasons and sent out to 1,600-1,700 adults, leaders, Scouters, Committee and Council people.

Whereas in the past it had been our practice to issue separate annual reports for the Montreal Region and the Provincial Council, the 1957 report was a combined one covering the activities of both Councils during the fiscal year October 1- September 30.

HANDICAPPED SCOUTING

A Cub Pack operated each week in the Montreal Children's Hospital among the rheumatic fever cases, and the attendance averaged six at meetings which were carried on throughout the whole year with a two-week break at Christmas. This Pack is now in its fourth year at the hospital.

We also have a small Scout Troop at the Montreal Association for the Blind which operates under a blind Scouter.

PUBLIC RELATIONS and RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

An active Public Relations committee operates in the Montreal Region and most Districts have similar committees. Scouting throughout the Province enjoys very favourable connections with both press and radio.

We have very cordial connections with The Girl Guides Association and other organizations. During the year we have strengthened our ties with the Quebec and Canadian Camping Associations.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

To the press and radio stations the Association is indebted for the large "grant" of free space and time so readily given. A special word of thanks is due to Imperial Oil Limited for allowing us to make a presentation during the intermission at one of the Saturday evening hockey games in Montreal last February to one of the players, Doug. Harvey of Les Canadiens, a former Montreal Scout, for his good sportsmanship.

Finally, a word of thanks to all the men and women everywhere who so loyally support the Association in its work because they believe in what the Association is trying to do for all boys.

ONTARIO

MEMBERSHIP and ORGANIZATION

Once again we are able to report an increase in membership of 9,457—from 97,676 to 106,833. This represents 9.4%.

Many changes have taken place in the organization of the Association in Ontario during 1957. The first major change was the organization of the Greater Toronto Region from the old Toronto Metropolitan Region and seven districts which were located in the municipal boundaries of Metropolitan Toronto. The new Region has approximately thirty thousand members.

Two other Regions, South Central and Eastern, were divided and two new Regions created. Revisions were also made to the boundaries of two other Regions. Two new Field Commissioners have been employed to service the new Regions which have been given the names Green Acres and St. Lawrence.

TRAINING

The Training Committee has been concerned with the organization of committees at the District level and re-organization at the Regional level.

Now that a general organization has been effected there will be a tendency for Preliminary Courses to be run at a Regional level with more Leaders attending but fewer individual courses conducted.

A total of 1,967 Preliminary Course Certificates were issued. Two hundred and thirty-seven Leaders completed Part I Wood Badge Courses and a further 175 successfully completed their Part II Wood Badge Training.

Nine hundred and eighty-three Leaders received certificates from thirty-two Specialization Courses.

Junior Leaders' Courses resulted in the issuing of 1,601 Bronze Arrowhead and 244 Silver Arrowhead certificates.

CONFERENCES

Regional Conferences have been held in all but one Region with a total of 2,755 persons in attendance. The remaining Region was concentrating on District Staff organization.

Presidents' and Commissioners' Conferences have also been held in all Regions.



Training Conferences have been conducted in most Regions.

Junior Leader Conferences were held in London and Hamilton.

A Sea Scout Rendezvous was held in London during Dominion Day week end, with 496 Sea Scouts and Leaders in attendance.

The 17th Ontario Rover Moot met at Blue Springs during the Labour Day week end, over 300 Rovers attended.

The annual Gilwell reunion also met at Blue Springs during September with 200 in attendance.

Leaders interested in work with handicapped Scouts assembled for a conference in St. Catharines on November 10th.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Scouts have assisted in tree planting, dam building, road repairing, clearing brush from camping spots in provincial parks, the hatching of pheasant eggs and in many other ways.

It would be impossible to detail all the good turns, some big, some small, of which we hear from time to time.

A few examples will give some idea of the scope. A Rover Crew in the north assisted the local social welfare agency in the rehabilitation of a destitute family. In the east a Scout Troop cut and potted small Christmas trees for each room in a local hospital. Another Group sent gifts to an Indian School. In the west a Toy-a-Boy project was run in which each boy was asked to work with his father in preparing a suitable toy for distribution to less fortunate children. One thousand toys resulted from the effort. In all directions reports have been received of work being done in clearing and beautifying public parks and church grounds.

The Rovers did a collective Good Turn at the Girl Guide World Camp at Doe Lake where they provided a police force and a general handyman group to assist throughout the camp period.

CAMPING

During the year there were 410 registered camps at which 24,725 boys spent 166,000 camper days.

Many of the camp sites operated by the local Associations and Groups are now kept open all year and are being used during most week-ends and holidays.

AWARDS

Details of the Honours and Awards for the province will be given elsewhere in this report.

Five hundred and eighty-two Queen's Scouts received their certificates at nine different ceremonies. Among those officiating at the ceremonies were the Hon. Louis O. Breithaupt, LL.D., Lieutenant-Governor, Mr. Jackson Dodds, C.B.E., Deputy Chief Scout, Brig. Lyall Carr, Mr. W. H. J. Tisdale, Provincial President, and Mr. F. A. Worth, Provincial Commissioner.

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

The most important event of an international nature was the Jubilee Jamboree-Indaba-Moot at Sutton Coldfield at which a contingent of 447

attended the Jamboree, 119 attended the Moot and 71 attended the Indaba. We sent a contingent of 224 boys and leaders to the 4th American National Jamboree at Valley Forge, U.S.A.

Visits across the border by individual Groups also took place throughout the year.

PUBLICATIONS

Publications in the province consist of the Ontario Rover, occasional issues of District and Local Association notes, Regional bulletins and the Annual Report.

HANDICAPPED SCOUTING

Work with handicapped boys is progressing in the province, particularly among institutions.

Groups are operating in schools for the mentally retarded, blind, deaf, physically handicapped, and in a Home for Incurable Children, Tuberculosis sanatoria, and muscular dystrophy centres.

In some centres the children are brought to meetings from widely dispersed points in automobiles. Service Clubs have assisted in this work.

In addition to the institutional work being carried on, many Groups have one or more boys of this type attending their meetings and both the Group and the handicapped boys are benefited by the association.

PUBLIC RELATIONS and RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

The high regard of the general public for the work of the Boy Scouts Association is evidence of good public relations.

Many Local Associations now have a sub-committee in charge of this most important work.

Co-operation with other organizations is carried on in many ways.

Churches, Conservation authorities, Welfare Agencies, Provincial and Civic authorities, Service Clubs and many other organizations have been assisted by Scouting and in their turn have assisted us.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

To the many Leaders and the Committeemen the Provincial Council owes a special debt of gratitude.

In addition there are many departments of the Government and individual representatives of the Government to whom our thanks are due.

Nor should we forget the many sponsors of Groups, Churches, Service Clubs and private individuals who have assisted us.

Many business concerns have helped, and included in these are the newspapers, radio and television companies throughout the province through whose help the story of Scouting has been told to the general public.

In many communities the Community Chest or United Appeal organizations have given sympathetic consideration to our needs, and in all other places individual donors and business houses have supported our finance campaigns.

Finally, to the various Stores Department outlets throughout the province who are making a very suc-

cessful endeavour to provide an adequate service to our members.

To all of these we extend our most sincere appreciation.



MANITOBA and N.W. ONTARIO

MEMBERSHIP and ORGANIZATION

Growth in every section has been well maintained throughout the year, as shown in the census figures elsewhere.

Plans have been laid and discussed for an all-out effort in 1958 to bring a complete understanding of the sponsor's role—by those who apply for Charters, and those Leaders and Committee members who work with, and for them.

TRAINING

126 Bronze Arrowhead Certificates were issued in 1957 and 52 Silver Arrowhead Certificates were awarded.

The Introductory Interview is being widely used with good effect throughout our Council.

Various Courses were held under Provincial Council recognition at which 602 Leaders and Committee personnel received certificates or other acknowledgments.

43 Part I and 30 Part II Certificates, and 18 Wood Badges were issued in 1957.

AWARDS

Queen's Scouts Certificates were presented by the Chief Scout for Canada on his visit to Flin Flon, and Winnipeg in May.

Nineteen Thanks Badges were presented through the year recognizing good services to Scouting.

CONFERENCES

"Jubilee Scouters' Conferences" were held at Fort William in May, with the theme "Fifty Years with B.-P.—The Road to Follow".

In October the Manitoba Scouters held their Conference in Dauphin with the theme "Our Duty to God"—using a panel of six ministers.

P.L. Conferences were held in Selkirk, Lakehead and Fort Frances.

The Annual Commissioners' Conference was held on the day preceding our Annual Meeting.

Two very successful Provincial Executive Meetings were held in Fort William and Portage la Prairie—bringing a deeper understanding of Provincial matters and administration to the rural districts.

PROJECTS

Many more reports have been received on Group participation in the Scout Theme "Conservation"—for 1957.

In May we were honoured by an invitation from our Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. McDiarmid to a Scout "Garden Party" at Government House. 400 Scouts, 100 Cubs and their Leaders were received by our Chief Scout, Rt. Hon. Vincent Massey.

In October, a coloured Memorial Window was unveiled in memory of former Scouts of the 47th Winnipeg-St. Albans Church. It is an adaptation of the famed "Pathfinder" picture, and was created by a local artist, Mr. Leo Mol.

The Fort Frances Scout Band officially came into prominence in 1957 by attending parades in International Falls, Minn., U.S.A., and at Kenora.

SASKATCHEWAN

MEMBERSHIP and ORGANIZATION

Scouting continues to grow with attention being given to organization of Districts. One of the objectives is that every Group in the province is to be in a District.

TRAINING

We have had another excellent year of training with increased attendance at courses. A total of 391 adults completed preliminary training. Twenty-six Scouters attended Wood Badge Courses at our Provincial campsite, when Saskatchewan was host province for the 9th Prairie Gilwell. Fifty-seven Patrol Leaders attended Bronze Arrowhead Courses. Two camping courses were held for new Scouters, with great success.

CONFERENCES

One of the highlights of the year was the holding of the Fourth Annual Provincial Scouters' Conference at Valley Centre, Fort Qu'Appelle, with 50 Scouters in attendance. The Conference demonstrated special outdoor activity with all participating. The guest speaker at the banquet was Mr. E. J. Cahan, of the Canadian Mental Health Association, who pointed out how mentally backward boys could be helped by Scouting. His subject was, "The Great Segregation".

A District Presidents' Conference was held with 21 in attendance. The Conference proved very valuable in outlining the respective duties of District Presidents and District Councils.

A District Commissioners' Conference was also held, under the chairmanship of the Assistant Provincial Commissioner for Training.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

A number of Districts continued with the Conservation theme, trees being planted in various parts of the province. Many "good turns" were performed for various organizations throughout the province, and general comment has been excellent.

CAMPING

During the 1957 season, 716 Scouts, 150 Cubs and 152 Scouters enjoyed registered camping experiences. A total of 6,374 boy days were spent under canvas.

AWARDS

A most impressive ceremony was held in the Provincial Legislative Buildings when His Honour, the Lieutenant-Governor, presented Queen's

Scouts with their certificates. At the banquet following the presentation, Mrs. R. H. Milliken was guest speaker, and in a very capable and charming manner spoke on "A Mother Looks at a Queen's Scout".

INTERNATIONAL

The Jubilee Year of Scouting will be long remembered in this province as one during which many Scouts and Scouters had the opportunity of traveling great distances, attending Jamborees and becoming acquainted with Brother Scouts from many parts of the world. Forty-eight Scouts and Scouters made up the Saskatchewan representation to Jubilee "J.I.M."

Four Scouts represented the province at the American Jamboree.

Scouts from the Wolf Creek District, under the leadership of Scouter G. Crow, spent twelve days at the Philmont Scout Ranch. This is the first time that a Canadian composite Troop has visited the Boy Scouts of America Ranch.

PUBLICATIONS

Our family publication "Saskatchewan Scouting" continues to provide information for all of our Groups in the province. During the year, we were pleased to send copies not only across Canada, but also to Great Britain and the United States.

HANDICAPPED SCOUTING

We are happy to report continued progress in the School for the Deaf, Saskatoon; the Red Cross Crippled Children's Ward in Regina, and a new Group recently organized in the Saskatchewan Training School at Moose Jaw for the mentally ill.

PUBLIC RELATIONS and RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Scouting in Saskatchewan has received excellent publicity through the medium of the press, radio and television, which continues to keep Scouting before the public.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

We are grateful in this province for the continued assistance and support received from the Provincial Government, Service Clubs, Fraternal Organizations, the Churches, the Girl Guides Association, and the many Scouters and Committeemen, without whom we could not progress.

ALBERTA and NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES

MEMBERSHIP and ORGANIZATION

Membership in Alberta continues to grow, an increase of 11% in membership and number of Groups being recorded. Continued effort was made toward the formation of new District Councils in the rural parts of the province, four new areas being brought under the jurisdiction of Districts.



Special mention should be made of the organization of the Mackenzie District Council, in the Northwest Territories. This was effected after the tour of the area by Assistant Provincial Commissioner C. S. Matkin accompanied by the Chief Executive Commissioner. This is undoubtedly the largest District Council in Canada, if not in the world, administering 632,650 square miles.

Our growth also necessitated the reorganization of the Edmonton District into a Metropolitan Region, and the division of one rural District Council into two.

TRAINING

The members of the Canadian Training Team continued to be active, conducting 29 courses for Scouters, as well as participating in the Prairie Gilwell, Part II Wood Badge Courses, held in Saskatchewan. Six hundred and eighty-nine Training Certificates were issued, an increase of 25% over the previous year.

CONFERENCES

In addition to the Scouters' Conference held each year in conjunction with the annual meeting, a Regional Conference for Scouters was held in Southern Alberta, and a Provincial Conference for Commissioners and members of the Training Team was held in Red Deer.

A short Rover Moot was held on the week-end of July 1st, in the foothills west of Calgary. A hike of some five miles was necessary in order to reach the site of the Moot.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

The centenary year was marked by public displays in four centres, and many rallies in the smaller districts.

In addition to participating in the Conservation Good Turn, many Troops assisted local authorities during National Safety Week in May.

CAMPING

There was an increase of 25% in the number of boys participating in registered camps during the year. Part of this increase may be credited to the development of new permanent campsites by the Calgary and Edmonton Councils.

AWARDS

His Honour Lieutenant-Governor Dr. J. J. Bowlen graciously presided over three Queen's Scout Recognition Ceremonies, at Calgary, Claresholm and Edmonton.

INTERNATIONAL

126 Scouts, Rovers and Scouters participated in the Jubilee Jamboree, Indaba and Moor in Great Britain and 19 Scouts and one Scouter attended the 4th American National Jamboree.

Visits were exchanged between Scouts at Medicine Hat and Havre, Montana and between Lethbridge and Great Falls, Montana.

Two Alberta Troops made extensive tours in the United States, and one Troop camped with American Scouts in Montana.

HANDICAPPED SCOUTING

During the year a Scout Group was organized at the newly established Provincial School for the Deaf in Edmonton, and work was continued at the Crippled Children's Hospital in Calgary and the Provincial Training School in Red Deer.



BRITISH COLUMBIA - YUKON

MEMBERSHIP and ORGANIZATION

For the twelfth successive year total membership showed a healthy gain to a new record high of 28,079. Greatest increase in the Cub Section followed the pattern of recent years. Particularly encouraging was the net gain in Scouter

strength with more Groups achieving the Three Deep Leadership goal in their Sections.

(Owing to an accumulative error occurring in membership records a few years back and traced during the past twelve months, total comparison with totals published for 1956 would be inaccurate. Taking the error into account, membership at December 31st, 1956 should have read 26,100.

(Actual total growth in membership in 1957 for British Columbia-Yukon Scouting was therefore 1,979, a 7.5% gain).

Of greater significance however were the steps taken to strengthen organization through the creation of more Districts.

During 1957 the former North and South Burnaby Districts were divided into eight new Districts within the Burnaby municipality as well as one in adjacent territory. The resulting Districts are Burnaby Burrard, Burnaby Centre, Burnaby Lake, Burnaby Mountain, Burnaby Heights, Burnaby Southview, Burnaby Stride, Burnaby West and Moody-LoCo. Directly resulting from this move has been the formation of several new Groups.

Likewise population trends in the North Vancouver area within the Vancouver Metropolitan Council required a division into East and West Districts.

On Vancouver Island the northerly part of the Cowichan Valley District and the southerly part of the Mid Island District were fused to create a new Mount Brenton District with five Groups as the initial strength.

New Districts formed were the Agassiz Harrison in the Fraser Valley, Central Cariboo for the Williams Lake area, Tweedsmuir for the area in and around Burns Lake, and Bulkley for Smithers and adjacent territory. The four new Districts were established on the basis of upward population trends and in anticipation of an increasing demand for Scouting.

Curtalement in the mining industry closing several communities in the Similkameen Valley foreshadows the liquidation of the District in that region, though Scouting will continue in the Princeton Group.

The year began with 58 Districts and finished with 70.

Gains were made in the assimilation of the Indian boy in Scouting with new Indian units added through the year and further units projected. Co-operating with

the Provincial Government, effort is to be made to capture the interest of the Indian boy.

TRAINING

The first Part II Rover Wood Badge Course held in British Columbia attracted the largest number of candidates to a Rover Part II Course yet held in Canada. It was under the leadership of Assistant Provincial Commissioner John Hatcher of Hamilton, Ontario. Two Cub Part II Courses and one Scout Part II Course rounded out Wood Badge training for the year. Total Wood Badge candidates, 113, was a record.

Nine hundred and ninety-five candidates underwent preliminary training with a large percentage qualifying for certificates. Scouting Information and Specialization Courses also drew worthwhile attendances.

Under the leadership of Chief Executive Commissioner F. J. Finlay, a Commissioner's Course at the University of British Columbia attracted 74. The enrollment was again a record.

CONFERENCES

District Officials' Conferences or "Schools in District Scouting Techniques", were held at Penticton for southern Okanagan Districts under the leadership of Provincial President L. C. Way and at Cranbrook for East Kootenay Districts, at Nanaimo for Vancouver Island Districts, Prince George for central-northern Districts under the leadership of Provincial Commissioner Dr. Desmond F. Kidd.

AWARDS

The second Provincial Queen's Scout Ceremony, presided over again by His Honour Frank M. Ross, Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, was carried through at the insistence of the Lieutenant-Governor within ten days of a fire which razed Government House in Victoria, planned venue of the ceremony. Alternate arrangements were quickly made at the Crystal Gardens, and amid dignity closely resembling the atmosphere of Government House, 76 Queen's Scouts received their certificates. Luncheon was provided by His Honour and Mrs. Ross. The Provincial Council held a dinner presided over by the Provincial President, Stuart Keate, at which the well-known Canadian writer, Bruce Hutchison, made Canadian history spring to life in a long to be remembered address.

A capacity number of 700 guests were present at the 1957 Scout Dinner in the Hotel Vancouver on which occasion the Lieutenant-Governor presented Medal of Merit awards. Guest speaker was the Chief Executive Commissioner, F. J. Finlay.

CAMPING

Registered standing camps were down in number over the previous year, though emphasis was continued on the outdoor values of Scouting. Many Districts held Camporees and reports indicate the results of these show an improving standard in camping techniques.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

A number of special events were staged in observance of Scouting's Jubilee year the most ambitious being an outdoor pageant staged by 1,000 Cubs.

Scouts and Rovers of the North Surrey District. Group and District Good Turns and Conservation projects also formed part of the special observances to mark the Jubilee.

A number of adventuresome expeditions were undertaken by Scouts on Vancouver Island and in the interior of the province. The somewhat isolated Troop at Kemano through their own local effort raised funds to take an extended motor-camping tour to acquaint them with other parts of the province—and possibly leave the coastal rains behind as well!

INTERNATIONAL

23 Scouts attended the 4th American National Jamboree and 124 attended Jubilee J.I.M.

A number of international visits between Scouts in British Columbia and the States of Washington and Idaho were made.

HANDICAPPED SCOUTING

In the various institutions carrying on Handicapped Cubbing and Scouting, reports indicate healthy progress.

PUBLIC RELATIONS and RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Various public relations media, press, radio and television gave unstintingly of space and time in telling the Scouting story. Likewise, Service Clubs and similar organizations welcomed Scout speakers—many were Scouts who had attended the Jubilee Jamboree in Britain and the American Jamboree at Valley Forge.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Throughout the year the Provincial Council was aided and helped in its activity by the willing and wholehearted co-operation of District and Groups. In turn, those bodies were indebted to a host of friends and supporters, financial and otherwise, and by no means least of all the faithful and patient band of Badge Instructors and Examiners. As in the past the ready help and service rendered by Canadian Headquarters has been a factor in the successes achieved in Scouting's Jubilee year of 1957.

LA FEDERATION DES SCOUTS CATHOLIQUES DE LA PROVINCE DE QUEBEC

MEMBERSHIP

At the end of this year of Jubilee, La Fédération groups, in 25 dioceses, 556 Groups of 5,040 Cubs, 7,956 Scouts, 813 Rovers, and 2,365 Scouters of all ranks, totalling 16,174 members.

TRAINING

The Rover section had three Wood Badge Courses with 54 participants; the Scout section had three Wood Badge Courses with 28 campers, also seven preliminary courses with 137 candidates; the Wolf Cub

section held three Wood Badge Courses and five preliminary courses with a total of 105 candidates.

To the Scout and Cub Information camp of 31 candidates must be added the "Iberville" Scout Technical camp of 28 boys ranging from 15 to 17 years of age and the Winter Technical camp of 15 Scouters. In regard to specialized camps, a special mention is deserved by the Expression Technical camp who, for the second consecutive year, had 45 participants.

During 1957, we have held 21 camps and the headquarters has issued 220 Part I certificates of the Wood Badge.

Camping is always popular with La Fédération and we registered 627 camps of over three nights with 12,259 members and a total of 126,912 camper days.

CONFERENCES and SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

Our 16th *Journées Fédérales* grouped nearly 500 Scouters and Chaplains at La Colonie de Vacances les Grèves. As an homage to B.-P. a special study was made of the Scouter considered as an educator, an administrator and an animator. Works presented at those meetings will be published in the near future.

For the fourth consecutive year, and this time with chieftains of La Fédération des Guides Catholiques, we made our annual pilgrimage to the the sanctuary of Notre-Dame du Cap, representing a night walk by four groups from four different rallying points and followed by Mass at the old sanctuary. More than 500 Scouters and chieftains attended.

The World Jamboree at Sutton Coldfield remains the great spectacular activity of 1957. The Fédération was represented by 96 of its members at the Jamboree section and 40 at the Indaba section. In addition, Mr. Louis Pronovost, Commissioner for Rovers, acted as assistant deputy contingent leader and took part in the International Conference held at Cambridge. The total of our delegation was 138 boys and leaders.

After the Jamboree, our contingent went to France and through La Fédération du Scoutisme Français, families welcomed them from the four corners of France. A group of 80 campers visited Rome during a few days and was granted an audience by His Holiness Pope Pius XII.

The annual meeting of La Fédération held at St. Hyacinthe in November assembled 125 federal and diocesan leaders. Such sessions permit full agreement on necessary directives concerning the future success of the Movement.

PUBLICATIONS

Our eighth edition of the Scout calendar in 12 four-color pages was published and its 100,000 copies appear in Quebec, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and Saskatchewan homes. Leaders of boys of 15 to 17 years entering into the Rover section required "Un Manuel des Foulards Rouges" which was edited to their needs and its good effects have been noted accordingly in the increase of membership. Experience with this branch has proved that a definite programme is indispensable for the first stage in the Rover branch if we



wish, to facilitate for the boys the advancement from Scouts to Rovers.

In regard to the Movement's golden anniversary, a special number of 18 pages, of the magazine "Le Scout Catholique" was published with a circulation of 8,000 copies.

To encourage literary and artistic efforts, we have re-adopted "La Plume d'Or" as a reward for prized works. A small plate has been distributed among units for drawing attention to this once appreciated badge.

As to publications, La Fédération has continued its periodical bulletins: "Sachems" (Scoutmasters), "Edit de la Jungle" (Cubmasters) and "Fiches Sacerdotales" (Chaplains). All of these publications have proved to be excellent working tools.

APPRECIATIONS

La Fédération sincerely thanks the Headquarters of the Canadian General Council for its cooperation during the past year, especially on the Jamboree question. La Fédération wishes to emphasize the excellent relations entertained with the Quebec Provincial Council of The Boy Scouts Association in all occasions when our cooperation was required.

POPULATION SCOUTE

Au terme de cette année jubilaire, la Fédération groupe actuellement dans 25 diocèses, 556 unités réunissant 5,040 louveteaux—7,956 scouts—813 rouliers et 2,365 chefs de tous rangs pour former un grand total de: 16,174 membres.

CAMPS DE FORMATION

Le Scoutisme ne peut aller de l'avant sans le concours d'adultes ayant acquis un minimum de connaissances du métier de chef scout. A cette fin, la Fédération a tenu au cours de 1957 un grand nombre de camps de formation qui ont attiré des centaines de chefs. A la Branche Route, trois sessions de la Badge de Bois avec 54 participants; à la Branche Eclaireur, trois sessions de la Badge de Bois avec 28 campeurs, sept sessions de la partie préparatoire avec 137 chefs; au Louvetisme, trois sessions de la Badge de Bois ont groupé 47 chefs et cheftaines de Meute, les camps préparatoires au nombre de cinq en ont réuni 105.

Il faut ajouter au Camp d'Information Eclaireur et Louveteau avec 31 candidats, le Camp Technique Eclaireur d'Iberville avec 28 garçons de 15 à 17 ans et le Camp Technique d'Hiver avec 15 chefs. Dans le domaine des camps spécialisés, il faut dire un mot du Camp Technique d'Expression qui pour la deuxième année consécutive a groupé 45 participants.

Au cours de 1957, nous avons donc tenu 21 camps avec 371 chefs et le Quartier-Général a émis 220 certificats de la Partie I de la Badge de Bois.

Le campisme toujours à l'honneur dans la Fédération, nous a valu l'enregistrement de 627 camps de plus de trois nuits avec 12,259 membres qui ont réalisé 126,912 jours-campeurs.

CONFERENCES et ACTIVITES SPECIALES

Nos 16ième Journées Fédérales à l'intention de tous les dirigeants de la Fédération, ont réuni un public de près de 500 chefs et aumôniers à la Colonie de Vacances les Grèves. Cette année en hommage à B.-P. nous avons abordé l'étude du Chef Scout envisagé comme éducateur, administrateur et animateur. Les travaux donnés à ces Journées feront l'objet d'une publication dans un avenir prochain.

Pour la quatrième année consécutive, et cette fois en compagnie des cheftaines de la Fédération des Guides Catholiques, nous avons réalisé notre pèleriage annuel au sanctuaire de Notre-Dame du Cap, comportant une marche durant la nuit faite par quatre groupes partis de quatre points de ralliement différents et suivie de la Messe au vieux sanctuaire. Plus de 500 chefs et cheftaines y ont pris part.

Le Jamboree Mondial de Sutton Coldfield demeure la grande activité spectaculaire de l'année 1957. La Fédération y participa avec entrain en fournissant un contingent de 96 membres à la section Jamboree et 40 à la section Indaba. De plus, les services d'un chef furent prêtés à l'organisation générale. M. Louis Pronovost commissaire fédéral à la Route, agissait comme assistant de l'adjoint du chef du contingent canadien et prenait part à la Conférence Internationale tenue à Cambridge. L'ensemble de notre délégation comprenait donc un total de 138 participants.

Notre contingent, après le Jamboree, passa en France et, grâce aux bons offices de la Fédération du Scoutisme Français, l'accueil fut organisé dans les familles aux quatre coins du pays. Un groupe de 80 campeurs séjourna à Rome pendant quelques jours et une audience leur fut accordée par le Souverain Pontife.

L'Assemblée Annuelle de la Fédération tenue à St-Hyacinthe en novembre, a réuni 125 dirigeants fédéraux et diocésains du Scoutisme. Ces assises permettent de faire le point et sont l'occasion de lancer les directives nécessaires pour la bonne marche du Mouvement.

PUBLICATIONS

Nous avons édité en français et en anglais notre huitième calendrier scout en 12 planches de 4 couleurs et les 100,000 copies mises sur le marché ornent aujourd'hui les foyers de Québec, de la Nouvelle-Ecosse, de Terre-Neuve et de la Saskatchewan.

Pour répondre aux besoins des garçons de 15 à 17 ans qui entrent à la Route, nous avons édité à l'intention des chefs de clan "un Manuel des Foulards Rouges" dont les bons effets se font déjà sentir si on en juge par l'accroissement des effectifs.

Nous tentons actuellement des expériences dans ce domaine et nous réalisons qu'un programme défini pour une première étape de la branche route est indispensable si l'on veut faciliter le passage des garçons de la troupe au clan.

Dans le cadre des fêtes du cinquantenaire du Mouvement, le Quartier-Général a édité à l'intention des garçons de la branche Eclaireur un numéro spécial de 16 pages de la revue *Le Scout Catholique* avec un tirage de 8,000 copies.

Pour encourager les efforts littéraires et artistiques de nos membres, nous avons remis sur pied la Plume d'Or qui couronne les travaux primés. Une plaquette a été diffusée dans toutes les unités afin de faire connaître cette Badge autrefois très recherchée.

Dans le domaine des revues, la Fédération a continué la publication de ses bulletins périodiques de branches: Sachems (Eclaircur) Edit de la Jungle (Louvetisme) Sentier (Branche Route) et Fiches Sacerdotales (Aumôniers) qui s'avèrent d'excellents instruments de travail.

REMERCIEMENTS

La Fédération remercie cordialement le quartier-général du Conseil Général Canadien pour la coopération apportée au cours de l'année, spécialement à l'occasion du Jamboree et souligne les bons rapports entretenus avec le Conseil Provincial du Québec de la Boy Scouts Association dans les différents domaines où nous avons été appelés à collaborer ensemble.



SALVATION ARMY

MEMBERSHIP and ORGANIZATION

We are happy to be able to give a fairly good report on Scouting for 1957. The slight gain in membership of Scouts and Cubs is encouraging, and we are most pleased to report progress in the quantity and quality of leaders. At the end of 1957 we recorded 1,035 Scouts

and 2,277 Cubs.

In August 1957 Sr. Captain Joe Craig was appointed Director for Scouting for The Salvation Army in Canada. The Captain is well known as a Scouter and returns to Territorial Headquarters following service in British West Indies. Since his appointment he has already made helpful contacts with groups across Canada.

Sr. Captain Ernest Parr was transferred to Hamilton as a Young People's Secretary in June 1957 following a valuable term as Scout Director.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

The Annual Handicraft Exhibition was held in Metropolitan Toronto, sponsored by the division, when over 2,000 items were displayed, demonstrating skill and craft which Scouts and Cubs of Toronto have acquired.

A city-wide Divine Service parade was held in June, 1957 bringing together over 1,000 of all units which formed in a parade from University Avenue to the Salvation Army Temple for the Divine Service.

TRAINING

A number of Salvation Army Scouters received Preliminary Training Course certificates and Wood Badges during the year.

CAMPING

In our chain of camps across Canada, Scouts and Cubs participated in camping programmes. Such camps report yearly increases in attendance.

INTERNATIONAL

Four Salvation Army Groups in Toronto displayed real Scout Brotherhood spirit when they forwarded sufficient money to outfit thirteen Blind Scouts in full uniform, in the newly formed Scout Troop, at the Salvation Army Institute for the Blind in Kingston, Jamaica, B.W.I.

At Christmas time one of the Toronto S.A. Troops forgot their own Christmas presents to each other and put the money together to purchase 2 Morse Code receiving sets for the Troop, as well as sending money for a Christmas party for the Troop and Pack.

CONFERENCES

At our fall Congress gatherings in major cities of Canada, Scouts and Cubs rendered items of high calibre, displaying skills in Scouting.

A live interest is being maintained in Scouting, and we look forward to greater advances in the coming year.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

We wish to place on record our grateful appreciation to the Boy Scouts Association for continued cooperation and assistance. The volume of helpful literature from the Boy Scout Headquarters is a great aid in promoting the merits of the Movement.

OVERSEAS GROUPS



The Scout population continues to expand at a great pace with our Overseas Groups. The last count indicated a total of 927 boys and

leaders attached either to the Red Patch Groups of the Army or the Maple Leaf Groups of the R.C.A.F.

Many of the Groups are multiple-sectioned in order to take care of the number of boys of Cub and Scout age stationed at Army Camps and Air Force Stations in France and Germany.

The Overseas Group now have their own Stores Department depot.

A new Maple Leaf Group has been formed at the Air Force base at Trier in Germany and a Rover Crew has recently been established at the R.C.A.F. Station at Gros Tenquin in France.

Mr. Fred J. Finlay, Chief Executive Commissioner, visited some of the Group during 1957.

A good representation from the Maple Leaf Groups attended J.I.M. in August. Twenty-one Scouts and three Scouters participated in the Jamboree, whilst six Scouters were at the Indaba.

Several Scouters from the Maple Leaf Groups and the Red Patch Groups have attended Part II Wood Badge Courses at Gilwell Park in England, others are completing Canadian Part I Courses.

Fun for Those Inquiring Minds

It would seem that **CHEMISTRY**—the study of the way things are put together—and **SCOUTING**—a discipline which sharpens the youth's awareness of the things around him—are a natural compliment to one another.

In 1957 the Chemistry Badge was approved by the Canadian General Council, thereby making it possible for Scouts to earn a Proficiency Badge in Chemistry, which would supplement what he will learn in school.

Scouts, like those in the pictures who are working in an organics laboratory, must pass such requirements as—

(iv) Explain why the following are dangerous and describe appropriate first aid treatment for each:

- (a) Carbon monoxide.
- (b) Caustic soda or lye.
- (c) Strong acids (hydrochloric, sulphuric, etc.).

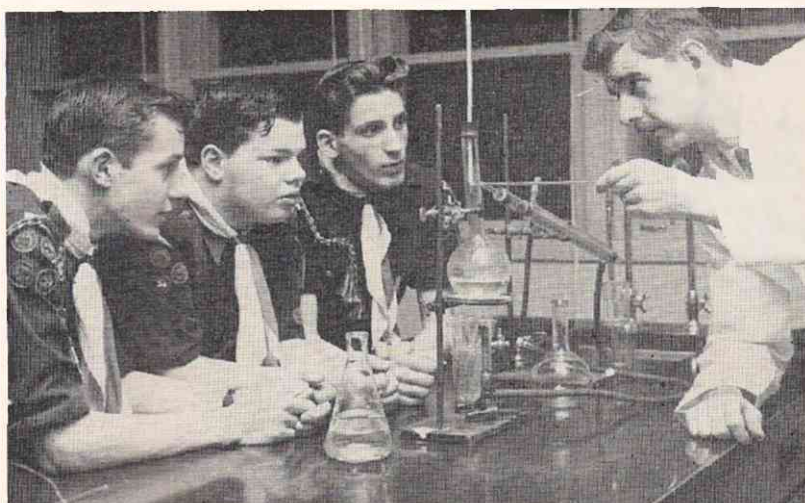
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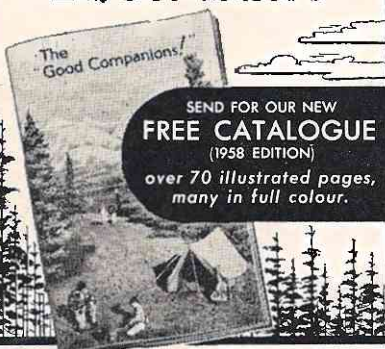
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