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

Dear Jack:

Thank you very much for your letter, which I received yesterday. I cannot tell you how much I appreciate the kind thoughts you have expressed with reference to the death of our dear friend, John Stiles. Thanks, too, for using your Scoutmaster's Five Minutes, at your last Troop meeting, to tell your boys something of the great contribution which John Stiles has made to Canadian Scouting, and of his fine qualities of heart and mind, which endeared him to all those who had the pleasure of knowing him and of working with him. He was a great Scout and we shall long cherish his memory.

No doubt you will have noticed that the Executive Committee of the Canadian General Council have officially re-introduced Boy Scout Week in Canada, and this will be celebrated in 1959 during the week of February 16-22. The purpose of the week is, of course, to focus public attention on Scouting, through the medium of special activities to which parents and the public are invited, and special publicity through the press, radio and TV on what Scouting is doing. This can have great value for us from the public relations standpoint. Since good public relations, Jack, has been described as "the art of creating good impressions endlessly", it seems to me that the re-introduction of Boy Scout Week adds emphasis to the importance of the part which we, as members, play in creating good public relations for the Movement.

It has often been said that the best possible public relations for our Movement is a well-informed Scout or Scouter, demonstrating his desire to do his best to live up to the Scout Law and Promise. I agree whole-heartedly with this statement and feel that it cannot receive too much emphasis. A dis-

reputable appearing Scout or a reprehensible action performed by a member of our Movement does all of us harm and destroys, in one fleeting moment in the minds of the beholders, the confidence and esteem which have been built up over the years.

No doubt you read the article in the last issue of the "Scout Leader" on the part played by the Boy Scouts of Springhill, N.S., following the terrible mine disaster which struck that town. The terse sign, which they displayed on their Headquarters tent: "Want anything done? Ask a Boy Scout", and the wonderful job they did in response to requests for help, is indeed the very best kind of public relations we could have.

I do not think we can stress too strongly with our boys and leaders that it is deeds, not words, that really count. I hope that, as Boy Scout Week approaches, all of us will keep these matters very much in mind.

Just in case you haven't seen it, I am sending you a copy of our Public Relations Handbook "Tell the People". It contains a great deal of information which, I am sure, you will find most useful.

Yours sincerely,

Chief Executive Commissioner.

Our cover picture

Forty Ottawa Scouts received the Queen's Scout award from Lord Rowallan when he was in Ottawa on November 6th, and among them was our cover Scout, Queen's Scout Graham Read of the 54th Ottawa (R.C.A.F., Rockcliffe) Troop. Scout Read is the son of District Scoutmaster Reg. Read, Ottawa.

DR. JOHN A. STILES, A GREAT CANADIAN, A RESPECTED LEADER

Dr. John A. Stiles, who has made an incalculable contribution to the development and influence of Scouting in Canada, passed away in the Ottawa Civic Hospital on November 29th, in his 83rd year, after being in ill health for nearly two years. From 1919 to 1946 he held the post of chief executive officer of the Canadian General Council of The Boy Scouts Association.

An engineer by profession and a former University professor and Dean of the Faculty of Applied Science at the University of New Brunswick, he was dedicated and devoted to the ideals and purposes of the Scout Movement. He gave unstintingly of his time and very great talent to the extension of the Movement, and remained a tower of strength through its first great period of expansion in the early 1920's, through the money-short years of the depression and through the difficult days of the Second World War. Ripe in years and in good works he retired at 70 to a well earned respite and was succeeded as Chief Executive Commissioner by Maj.-Gen. D. C. Spry, now Director of the Boy Scouts International Bureau.

Even in retirement Dr. Stiles continued to serve the Movement and for several years prior to his death gathered together a vast amount of historical data which one day will be developed into a history of Scouting in Canada.

One could not, even by the use of superlatives, pay adequate tribute to the mark he made on Canadian Scouting. The finest tribute to him will always be the steady growth of the Movement under his leadership, and the strong and influential position in which he left the Movement and its national headquarters when he surrendered the tasks of his important office into younger hands.

Like so many great Canadians, Dr. Stiles was the product of a small town, Arva near London, Ontario. He graduated from London Collegiate Institute, and went on to the University of Toronto graduating in engineering.

After serving for some years as a professor of applied engineering he became Dean of the Faculty of Applied Science at the University of New Brunswick at Fredericton, a post he retained until he retired to become the first Chief Executive of The Boy Scouts Association.

Dr. Stiles graduated from Wood Badge Courses in all three branches of the Movement, taking his Troop Scouter's Course in 1922, his Pack Scouter's Course in 1924 and his Rover Scout Leader's Course in 1930.

Under his leadership the Movement grew from a membership of 25,214 in 1919 to a high of nearly 102,000 before he retired.

He was awarded, and personally presented with the Silver Wolf by the Founder, Lord Baden-Powell, and was also honoured for distinguished service to boyhood with the Silver Buffalo by the Boy Scouts of America.



DR. JOHN A STILES

His contribution to youth work in Canada was recognized in 1935 by His Majesty King George VI with the award of the Order of the British Empire.

In 1946, the year of his retirement the University of New Brunswick honoured him with a Doctorate in Science. Dr. Stiles was an unusually gifted speaker and was in much demand not only in Canada but in the United States where he was well known and highly regarded.

He was also an active churchman, for many years a member of Southminster United Church and later Parkdale United Church in Ottawa. He was also an active Rotarian and was President of the Ottawa Club in 1933-34.

Dr. Stiles suffered the bereavement of his first wife, Margaret McVannel in 1928, leaving four children, Caroline (Mrs. H. A. Conn), Douglas, John A. Jr., and Donald. In 1930 Dr. Stiles married Estelle Glover, who also had long been associated with Scouting at the Ontario Provincial Headquarters. Mrs. Stiles and the four children survive together with three brothers, Rev. Dr. Sextus Stiles of St. Olave's Anglican Church, Toronto, Mr. Thomas Stiles and Mr. Harry Stiles.

Funeral services were held in Parkdale United Church on Tuesday, December 2nd, when a large number, representative of many walks of life attended to pay tribute. Scouts of the 15th Ottawa (Parkdale United Church) Troop formed a Guard of Honour and members of the Canadian Headquarters and the Ottawa District Staffs acted as Honorary Pallbearers. The service was conducted by Rev. Dr. Norman Coll, minister of Parkdale Church and Rev. Dr. Charles Donald, minister of Southminster United Church.

Baden-Powell once quoted Aristotle as saying: "No man goeth about a more godly purpose than he who is mindful of the right upbringing, not only of his own, but of other men's children." John Alexander Stiles, O.B.E., fulfilled that godly purpose.

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Dear Sir:

A copy of the September-October 1958 issue of THE SCOUT LEADER has recently been sent to me and my attention has been drawn in particular to the article on page 21, 'Action in Safety'.

This article recommends a practical approach to safety training among young people and I am sure it will result in greater safety consciousness among the members of your association.

On behalf of my colleagues in the Ontario Department of Transport, may I say how very grateful we are to you for publishing this valuable information and for your interest in this vitally important problem of traffic accident prevention.

Yours very truly,
W. B. G. Reynolds,
Commissioner of Highway Safety,
Ontario Department of Transport.

Mr. Mark Marshall,
Commissioner,
Boy Scouts Association,
Springhill, N.S.

Dear Sir:

During the recent mine disaster at Springhill the members of the Boys Scouts of the town rendered a great amount of assistance to the Welfare Organization, particularly the emergency feeding unit, which was under the co-ordination of Civil Defence.

I wish to express my personal appreciation and that of the Provincial Civil Defence staff for the work performed by these boys which contributed so much to the success of our operations.

Yours truly,
G. G. Pirie,
for
George A. Biggs,
Co-ordinator.

Dear Sir:

During the Troop's 1958 camp (67th Calgary, Alberta Troop), I tried to think of a new idea that I could use to make the daily programme a little more exciting. I came up with a *Sun Dial*; although I did not like the idea at first, this attitude was soon to be changed.

When the boys arrived at the camp site, we got down to the business of setting up camp. This was to be a two week camp. Two days later when I was sure that all the boys were acquainted with the set up, I asked for all the watches (including mine), then had the boys make a Sun Dial.

When the last stake was hammered into the ground, I informed the boys that all time was to be taken from the Sun Dial (meals — classes — hikes, etc.) and the watches would be returned on arrival back at Scout Headquarters.

The boys just loved this idea, and they had a grand time of getting time all mixed up. I must admit that meals were served somewhat late, however that was soon remedied as the boys got the workings of the Sun Dial down pat.

The Sun Dial was to help them "with compass work, although I had not thought of it. They were soon to realize that when the sun was in the North it was noon and so on, (or vice-versa).

This idea gives a little more adventure to the boy, also developing his scouting through Woodcraft. I hope other Scouters may be able to use this idea in their camp programme.

Yours in Scouting,
M. T. Brooks, SM,
67th Calgary, Alberta Troop.

Dear Sir:

I have been trying to gather together the thoughts that are passing through my mind concerning the two hectic weeks of our recent mine disaster. As I bring the many things to mind there have of course been the outstanding features that shall long be with me.

The reason for this letter is of course to mention the work of the local Boy Scouts. Many times my workers were pressed almost to the point of breaking and would have been down and out if it had not been for the fine co-operation that we received from the local Scoutmaster and his boys.

'Being Prepared' is a wonderful Motto, yet greater is this as one is able to see it in action. There was never a request that was not carried out to the fullest. The order came and the boys moved quietly and efficiently in their work, there were the times when it was a lowly task (cleaning up the area) but it was tackled with enthusiasm. One of the highlights came when Prince Philip stopped to shake hands with one of the Scouts as he visited our tent.

You may well be proud of the Boy Scouts in the Town of Springhill. May God continue to bless your fine organization.

Sincerely yours,
Lieutenant Bruce Harcourt,
The Salvation Army,
Springhill Corps.

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Dear Sir:

We thought you might like to see a copy of our first issue of the "TRAILSEEKER".

We are a new Troop and filled with enthusiasm which we hope will last a long time.

We believe in the outdoors and we hope to better next year our record of 20 major outdoor events during the past 12 months.

THE SCOUT LEADER is a great source of inspiration to us in our Scouting life.

Yours sincerely,
125B St. Timothy's Troop,
Scarborough, Ont.

National Office,
The Boy Scouts Association.

Dear Sir:

It has been my good fortune to meet Mr. William H. Tallman of your Hamilton Area Council Office.

During the month of August, "Bill" was promoting an "International Goodwill Tour". How successful this tour was in other cities I cannot say. I shall speak from the viewpoint in this southernmost city of the United States.

Upon receiving notice that Canadian Scouts would like to visit our town, I immediately contacted our City, County and Naval officials. The Mayor was to present "Bill" with a Key to the City. The County officials gave permission for camping anywhere in the county. Rear Admiral F. D. McCorkle, through his able and qualified Liaison Officer, Captain J. B. Barnwell, USN, offered to feed, berth and entertain the Scouts.

As it turned out, the Scouts had but ten hours to spend here. So the Mayor did present the Key of the City to "Bill". The Scouts did not have time to camp out but the County officials were thanked for their offer. The Navy did feed and entertain the Scouts. At a very nominal cost to the

Scouts, two huge and delicious meals were served to them. While aboard the Naval Station, the Scouts visited a Submarine (USS OKAX-SS-434) and the Submarine Tender (USS HOWARD W. GILMORE-AS16, the tender was named in honor of Commander Gilmore, the submariner during World War II who, while wounded, ordered his submarine to submerge and did not make the hatch himself). The entire Naval Station was toured, including the "Little White House", residence of former President Truman; then a visit to the Seaplane Base for a helicopter demonstration completed the day. All in all, I think the Scouts had a nice time.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you, the National Office, that the Scouts have left, not only on the people who associated with them on the visit, but upon the entire populace, a feeling of friendship, goodwill and understanding.

We, in Key West, are not unfamiliar with Canadians. We are a tourist town and have hundreds come to visit us. Also, our Catholic Convent is staffed with nuns of an order whose Mother House is in Montreal.

Noting such friendly results of this tour, may I extend to you and through you to all the Scouts of Canada, a warm invitation to visit Key West and, if given ample notice, a pleasant and delightful time is promised to all.

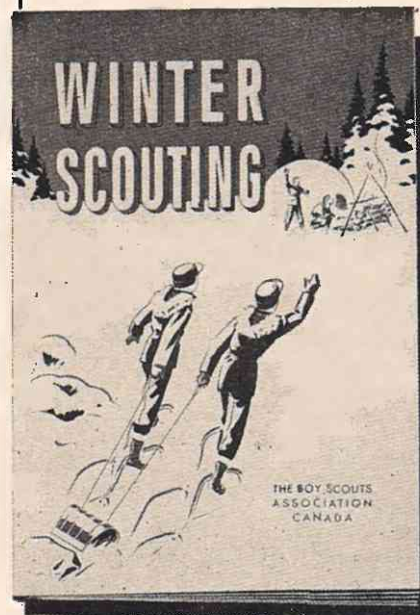
Enclosed is a copy of the photograph in which "Bill" Tallman is receiving the Key to the City of Key West from the Honorable Delico Cobo, D.D.S. I thought perhaps a reproduction could be included in your scouting magazine to inform all Canada of the goodwill the Hamilton Area Scouts have left in the Southernmost City of the United States.

Sincerely yours in Scouting,
A. W. Martinez, SM,
Troop 253,
Key West, Florida, U.S.A.



On behalf of the 40 Hamilton Area Scouts taking part in the 'International Goodwill Tour', Bill Tallman, District Field Commissioner, is seen accepting the Key to the City of Key West from the Mayor, at which time he presented an official letter from the Mayor of Hamilton. Some of the highlights of the successful tour were visits to the Ringling Museum, the Jungle Gardens, the Serpentinum, Cypress Gardens, Bok Tower, Silver Springs and various Cities en route to Key West. It is hoped that this trip will become an annual affair.

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Wood Badge Training Courses

The dates for some 1959 Part II Courses have been set and published so that Scouters will have plenty of time to plan their attendance. Additional courses will be listed as dates become available.

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

WOOD BADGE PART II COURSES—1959 TROOP SCOUTERS

PROVINCE	PLACE	DATE	COURSE LEADER
BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON	Legge Farm, Haney	Four week-ends beginning May 8	E. P. Briba
	Kamloops Area	August 1st to 9th	Rev. H. P. Collins
SASKATCHEWAN (Prairie Gilwell)	At Prince Albert	June 20th to 28th	
ALBERTA & N.W.T.	Edmonton	Four week-ends commencing May 9th	G. R. Weir
	Sylvan Lake	July 4th to 12th	F. G. McCoy



WOOD BADGE PART II COURSES—1959 PACK SCOUTERS

PROVINCE	PLACE	DATE	COURSE LEADER
BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON	Shawnigan Lake United Church Camp	June 13th to 20th	E. C. Oakley
	Camp Tweedsmuir near Trail	August 15th to 22nd	G. W. Cairns
SASKATCHEWAN (Prairie Gilwell)	At Provincial Camp Site	July 11th to 17th	E. Bower Carty
ALBERTA & N.W.T.	Calgary	Four week-ends commencing May 30th	H. B. Holloway
	Sylvan Lake	July 13th to 19th	P. H. Dack



TRAINING STRIDES ONWARD

Two important training events in Canadian Scouting occurred in January 1957. The first was the appointment of a National Training Committee comprising Assistant Provincial Commissioners, Training, under a Chairman appointed by the Canadian General Council. This new operating committee replaced the Training Advisory Committee which consisted of five or six men whose advice was sought from time to time, but who never met physically. The second event was the first meeting of the newly constituted committee.

One of the most important decisions reached at this meeting was to review and study the Scouter training programme. As a result of this, the first two steps toward more progressive and efficient training have been taken.

1. *The Introductory Interview*

As its name suggests, it is not a formal training course but a personal discussion between a trained Scouter and a potential Scouter, prior to his accepting leadership in the Movement. This discussion takes from two and a half to three hours and is usually conducted in the candidate's own living room.

Cast your mind back to the time when the Group Committee asked you to become a Scouter. Can you remember all the thoughts and questions that raced through your mind? Today, these would be answered during your Introductory Interview. With all those thoughts and questions unanswered you probably said that you had no experience, thinking that would end the matter, but perhaps you were assured that "It didn't really matter"—"It meant only one night a week and there was nothing to it". Now, through the Introductory Interview the new Scouter is painted a fair picture of what is expected of him and of what he has to do before he accepts leadership in the Movement. He is told of the Aim and Principles of the Movement and that he is expected to subscribe to them personally. He is introduced to the basic handbooks of his Section and explores them with his trainer. During this time he gets some insight into the behaviour of boys, how the Scout programme caters for their natural desires and the part he must play. Finally, he discusses his personal training plan in the light of local conditions and is informed how and where to get further help.

A person accepting leadership responsibilities after an Introductory Interview, not only knows what lies before him and how to set about it but also feels welcomed and has a sense of belonging to a powerful Movement which is ready and eager to help him to do his job.

It has been recommended that wherever possible, the Introductory Interview be made mandatory for all new Scouters prior to their accepting leadership responsibility.

2. *Basic Training for Troop Scouters*

With a name like that, there can be no doubt as to the purpose this Course is designed to serve. That is precisely the reason why this title has been chosen instead of Preliminary Training which Basic Training now supersedes. However, the change is in much more than just the title. A completely new syllabus and method of operating has been produced and greater emphasis has been placed on working the Patrol System and the "Out of Doors".

Basic Training represents the first practical training experience available to Scouters and it is designed to

bring alive the written word of the handbooks.

A new Scouter having been introduced to the handbooks and given some direction in his Introductory Interview, reads the books and starts working out some of the ideas with his boys. Naturally, he discovers problems—he wonders if his interpretations of what he has read are what was intended—he finds it difficult to get a "feeling" for meetings—probably you've had the experience and you know what it feels like. So now he takes Basic Training as soon as possible. There, in the company of other Scouters, he is able to resolve his problems, he gains the right interpretations and can relieve himself of many burning questions. He will experience how a patrol operates, learns skills, gains confidence, and above all catches a "feeling" for Scouting.

The Basic Training Course for Troop Scouters is divided into two parts—Part A covers the Aim and Principles, Learning by Doing, the Patrol Method, Programme Planning, Smartness and Ceremonies, in man to man yarns and discussions supplemented with demonstrations and activities. The candidates then produce material for a Troop Meeting in which they participate on a Patrol basis. The Course is conducted in a typical Troop Meeting setting and has a minimum running time of seven and a half hours. Thus the Course can be covered in one complete day or in three separate evenings.

Part B covers Scouting skills such as compass, mapping, tracking, firelighting, outdoor activities and elementary camping. The Course is conducted in camp over a full weekend, usually Friday night to Sunday afternoon and is a living demonstration of the working of the Patrol System. Naturally, one of the Sunday morning activities is proper attention to Duty to God.

Certificates are issued to candidates on the satisfactory completion of each part of Basic Training. A Scouter who has completed both parts is entitled to wear the Gilwell Woggle.

While Basic Training is designed essentially for the new Scouter it is suggested that more experienced Scouters will also greatly benefit from taking this training and make a valuable contribution to the Course at the same time. Even those who have already completed Preliminary Training will benefit particularly from the special emphasis given to the Patrol System, Outdoor Activities, and Camping.

Basic Training for Pack and Crew Scouters. Courses for these Sections of the Movement, while changing their name, will continue to follow the Preliminary Training Course programme until new syllabi and programmes have been approved by the National Training Committee.

You will have noted from reading this article that Scouter training is taking on a more progressive form. Each new leader comes into the Movement already oriented through the Introductory Training Interview. He follows this up by personal education gained through studying the handbooks suggested to him during his Interview. This provides the groundwork for understanding and getting the most from Basic Training and leads him on naturally to starting Part I of the Wood Badge. It is expected that this phase of his training will be completed within nine months of joining the Movement, and that he will then continue by completing Wood Badge training.



SCOUTING Digest

Points of Protective Interest

These points were drawn up by Dr. Stefansson, the famous Arctic Explorer, and a group of officials of the Boy Scouts of America following an experimental winter camp in January, 1947.

When working or travelling in winter weather avoid sweating if possible. Moisture conducts heat away from the body. Take off clothes when you are TOO WARM; put them on when you are COLD. Wear wool next to the skin. Depend on the number of layers of clothing you have on, not upon the bulk or weight. TWO medium weight pairs of wool stockings are warmer than ONE heavy pair. Wool is porous and is not windproof. Wear closely woven cotton outside, and wool inside. Avoid tight clothing everywhere and particularly on the feet.

If your feet get that wooden feeling, keep going; you must not undress them unless you are sheltered from the wind, and have a fire. If you do otherwise, you will not be able to get your shoes on again. Avoid fur-lined boots which retain moisture. Depend on extra stockings which you can dry at night.

If you become drowsy when you are travelling in cold weather, rest; even go to sleep. You won't freeze. You will wake up when you get chilly. If you do travel until exhausted and fall as a result, you may be too weak to get up.

To take the frost out of a frost-bitten face, place your hands over the spots for a few seconds. If your hands are cold or frost-bitten, place them inside your shirt against your skin.

Should you get wet from falling into the water, climb out and jump into a snow-drift or roll in the snow. Snow acts like a blotter.

A hooded sweat shirt makes a fine pyjama top for cold nights.

Hamilton Scouts Sight-see in Ottawa

A visit to the Nation's Capital and a tour of its sights—this was the accomplishment of a group of Scouts from the Ancaster (Ontario) District over the Thanksgiving holiday week-end.

The bus-load of young travellers left Hamilton early on the Saturday morning. Travelling and setting up camp kept the group busy on that first day; the facilities of the Ottawa District campsite on Christie Lake were used.

Sunday was the day of many sights which included a church parade, a luncheon followed by a reception at which various officials were present, a coach tour of Ottawa, a visit to the Parliament buildings, the National

Museum, the Royal Mint, the R.C.M.P. Headquarters and a short tour through the colourful Gatineau Hills in the Province of Quebec.

Because of the number of Scouts wishing to join the expedition, the following qualifications were necessary to apply: (a) 1st Class rank, (b) Bronze Arrowhead Training, (c) Scoutmaster's and Group Committee's approval.

Indian Scouts Aided by Oakville District Scouting

Last spring, Cubs and Scouts of the Oakville, Ontario District banded together for a project which symbolized for us the spirit of Scout brotherhood. The project was to raise funds to complete the Scout outfits of Indian boys of the 4th Whitehorse Troop.

The 4th Whitehorse is sponsored by a Baptist Mission and due to the limitation of Mission funds and the school regulations limiting the earning possibilities of the Indian boys, the Group was not able to outfit itself.

The original idea was that of Whitehorse District Scoutmaster Ted E. Collins. Scoutmaster Collins wrote Scouting officials in his old District of Oakville, asking if it would be possible for them to collect used Scout clothing for these Indian boys. Oakville District Commissioner Jack Guest responded with a 'We will do better than that, we will outfit the boys with new clothing'. Through the medium of the OAK LEAF, Oakville District Bulletin, Mr. Guest stirred up enthusiasm for the project.

All of Oakville's Scouting personnel, Leaders as well as boys, responded and within three months, \$109.60 was raised to purchase the necessary equipment—four Scout shirts, 12 pairs stockings, 12 sets garter tabs and 12 Scout belts.

On November 5th, the first meeting of the 4th Whitehorse this season, Mr. Collins presented the boys with the remaining articles of their uniform—a gift of Oakville Scouting.

Three Rivers Scout Exhibition a Success

Three Rivers was treated to an elaborate indoor and outdoor Scout exhibition over the Thanksgiving Week-end.

Eight tents and flies were erected on the Headquarter's grounds as part of the 'live Scout town' which lived for three days. Leaders and some of the older Scouts lived on a rotation basis in the town and were kept busy showing people the various types of camping equipment which had been utilized over the past twelve months. A cooking fire was also kept going and samples of outdoor cooking were offered to any adventurous soul. The purpose

of the tent village was to demonstrate how Patrol sites are developed as well as to demonstrate some of the camping skills.

The indoor exhibition which was held in the Scout Hall combined many things: movies—The Life of Baden-Powell—archery, photography, and handicraft exhibits. The Scoutercraft show coincided with the opening of the UNICEF "SHELL OUT" campaign.

Proceeds of the exhibition, there was a minimum admission charge, are to purchase some winter camping items as well as to buy first aid supplies in conjunction with the Troop's Civil Defence Preparedness programme.

Chances For a Comeback

(From "ACCIDENT PREVENTION", August, 1958)

After breathing has stopped and artificial respiration is started, the chances for recovery are:—

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4 Minutes after breathing has stopped it's	50 out of	100
5 Minutes after breathing has stopped it's	25 out of	100
6 Minutes after breathing has stopped it's	11 out of	100
7 Minutes after breathing has stopped it's	8 out of	100
8 Minutes after breathing has stopped it's	5 out of	100
9 Minutes after breathing has stopped it's	2 out of	100
10 Minutes after breathing has stopped it's	1 out of	100
11 Minutes after breathing has stopped it's	1 out of	1,000
12 Minutes after breathing has stopped it's	1 out of	10,000

(Railroader Newsletter)

Chain Letters

We have recently come in contact with a supposedly 'Scout' chain letter. It is possible that you might receive a version of it. If so, we would suggest that you destroy the letter without carrying out its instructions. 98% of the letters are probably written in the spirit of good fun but some are written for ulterior purposes.

Wide Enthusiasm For Parent Bicycle Safety Programme

In the northern regions of the province of Quebec, amidst bush, the Cubs of the 1st R.C.A.F. Parent Cub Pack have been carrying out some excellent programming. Recently, a Bicycle Safety Programme was undertaken and, with the assistance of the Quebec Safety League, the films and the rodeo itself was attended not only by the Cubs but by all the children on the station as well as many of the adults. Forty-four children took part, 15 of them Cubs.

This Pack is certainly active. They have a hockey, softball and soccer team which plays against the local boys in Parent. At the moment, they are taking First Aid lessons from Bagheera, LAC Harold Ennis, who is a fireman. Akela is Cpl. Stephen Plant and Baloo, LAW Chang.

Attention Scouter!

This message is for those Canadian Scouters who would like to travel, to meet with other Scouters from various parts of the world and maybe take in a Wood Badge Course.

It is time for us to think about the third Scouters' Indaba which is scheduled for 1960. The host country, the Netherlands. The Indaba opens on August 2nd and runs to the 11th. The site is the training center "Gilwell

Ada's Hoeve" at Ommon (near Zwolle) in the Netherlands.

According to information received to date, the Indaba programme sounds extremely appealing and will include, among other things, camp fires, Gilwell Reunion, films, conferences, singing, displays by participating countries, excursions, demonstrations, hikes, exhibitions, theatre performances and receptions.

The event is being organized by the Netherlands National Scout Council which unites the "De Nederlandse Padvinders" (N.P.V.) and "De Verkenners van de Katholieke Jongbeweging" (V.K.J.B.).

Canada will only have a contingent if there are sufficient applications so if you are at all interested write to the Administration Department, Canadian Headquarters for further details. Applications have to be in by April, 1959.

Camp fee? Only 150 Dutch guilders which includes good rations from August 2nd to 11th and one excursion.

10th World Jamboree News

CAMPSITE PREPARATIONS

The task of converting a 300-hectare campsite into a Jamboree metropolis is in full swing. Army and civilian construction engineers are spearheading the work which includes the clearing of forest for roads, trails, campsites, the building of two bailey bridges, well digging and the laying of cement pipes.

JAMBOREE STAMPS

Commemorative stamps for the 10th World Jamboree will soon be issued by the Manila Post Office. A design contest among local artists is being held to produce the most suitable commemorative postage. First day issues will be on sale at the Jamboree post office.

ENGLISH WIDELY SPOKEN

It is interesting to note that English is the dominant medium of instruction in Philippine schools, although the Filipino language is being increasingly used in the grade schools. Spanish is a required subject in the colleges and exclusive Spanish schools do exist.



Here are a few ideas for Winter Camp Shelters

THE SCHOOLMASTER AND THE BEAR

By THE RT. REV. R. W. BRYAN, D.C.C.,
Headquarters Commissioner for Training, West Bengal

A Story to Tell Wolf Cubs

Here is a little story which is one of my favourites, perhaps because I have visited Haluaghat and so know the setting. I have met the hero too—a simple, humble, ordinary-seeming man; you wouldn't guess he had a lion's heart.

I do not think he was ever a Scout or Scouter, but he is a good example of what we mean when we say that a Scout is brave; and in his selfless care for the boy in his charge he is a pattern for all of us Scouters to follow.

It happened in the 1930's, up beyond Haluaghat in the district of Mymensingh, in what is now the border country between India and Pakistan, in the Garo hills.

A schoolmaster, whom I will call Nirmal, was returning home for the holidays. He was on the staff of a mission boarding school, and he was taking home with him a little boy, one of his pupils, whose home was in the same village, a day's march from the school.

They were getting near the end of their journey, walking through open jungle, when the boy's quick ears caught a sound behind them. Next moment he was grabbing Nirmal's hand in terror.

"Nirmal-da", he screamed, "Look—a bear".

And sure enough there was a bear charging down on them, only fifty yards away. Nirmal looked frantically round. There was no tree nearby that looked as though they could climb it and be safe. There was no other shelter. He thought quickly and made up his mind.

"That's alright, Moni", he said. "You go on home and tell them I am coming. I'll stay and talk to the bear."

And, giving the child a little push to start him running the last mile home, he turned, quite unarmed, to face the bear.

Moni reached home, sobbing and terrified in spite of Nirmal's attempt to reassure him by speaking lightly. A rescue party found the brave schoolmaster's body on the spot where he had turned to meet the bear. He had been badly mauled and was unconscious. The animal had attacked his head and shoulders with particular viciousness, and his face had been torn to ribbons. Of the bear there was no sign.

Nirmal was carried, still unconscious, to one hospital and then another, but the doctors looked at him and said, "It is no use taking him in. We can't do anything for him. He is as good as dead already".

The rescue party knew of a mission dispensary run by Saint Andrew's Brotherhood, an Indian community, at Haluaghat, but they hesitated to go there because it was not equipped to deal with serious cases. But, having no other choice, they brought their patient to the Sister in charge. "We'll do our best," she said. So a room was found where Nirmal could be accommodated, and months of long, slow, careful nursing brought him back first from death's door, and then cured his wounds and restored him to health.

However, the awful scars remained on his face and neck, disfiguring him so much that it was an embarrassment not only to him but to those who looked at him. It is good to know that in the course of time, friends found the money to send him to the United States where the finest plastic surgeons worked on him until his face was alright again. It was the least that could be done for this hero of everyday life.

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WHEN IS A "WEEK" NOT A WEEK?

(From HEALTH NEWS SERVICE)

- * 3 times as many children are killed by preventable accidents than infections and contagious diseases.
- * 60% of tooth decay can be positively prevented by fluoridation of communal water supplies.
- * five out of every six persons from 13 to 50 years of age is physically unfit.

The answer to the question above is "When it's National Health Week". Health is not an ephemeral commodity that we pay slight attention to during one week a year. Health is an in-and-out year-round proposition.

In the matter of health, the Health League of Canada is not trying to sell Canadians an extravagant product which can be used only once or twice. Health is a personal matter, and in this matter of health, a person's whole life can be either made or broken. Good mental and physical health means that a man can do better at his chosen work, can support his family and ensure their further education, and he himself can enjoy life to the fullest.

With ill health, the reverse is true. The entire family suffers when the bread-winner is stricken. Canadians spend over 90 million dollars a year on medical and dental bills, and this is on cure, rather than on prevention.

The Health League itself is a voluntary body of people, who have nothing to gain by keeping people healthy, aside from the satisfaction of knowing people are healthy, aside from the satisfaction of knowing that they have contributed something of use to the country as a whole,

and have helped various individuals—many of whom they will never ever meet—to a happier life.

It is a rather peculiar quirk of human nature that men will spend hours of time and hard earned dollars of their money in keeping their cars in good running condition. They will believe every person who tries to sell them a new kind of car polish. Yet these same people disregard the maintenance of their own bodies and those of their children.

There are many children in this country still not immunized against poliomyelitis, and against other communicable diseases which can cripple and kill. When fluoridation of communal water supplies was advocated by the foremost dental and public health authorities, the apathetic majority of Canadians allowed the frenzied fanatic minority to bar the way to dental health to millions of Canadians, both children and adults. The Health League of Canada holds the strange belief that people are more important than cars, and should be kept in fit running condition for as long as possible. After all, cars will get you from one place to another, but they won't do this without a driver.

Think of this during National Health Week, 1959.

WOLF CUB MARCH

(From *The Scout*, September 26, 1958)

The Wolf Cubs marched in two by two
hurrah, hurrah!
The Wolf Cubs marched in two by two
hurrah, hurrah!
The Wolf Cubs marched in two by two
Bagheera waited for Baloo
Chorus And they all went into their tents
For to get out of the rain.
(Twice) The Wolf Cubs marched in three by three,
hurrah, hurrah!
The Wolf Cubs marched in three by three
Mowgli scampered up a tree
Chorus And they all went into their tents, etc.
(Twice) The Wolf Cubs marched in four by four,
hurrah, hurrah!
The Wolf Cubs marched in four by four,
Poor old Hathi got stuck in the door
Chorus And they all went into their tents, etc.
(Twice) The Wolf Cubs marched in five by five,
hurrah, hurrah!
The Wolf Cubs marched in five by five,
They hoped they'd all come out alive
Chorus And they all went into their tents, etc.
(Twice) The Wolf Cubs marched in six by six,
hurrah, hurrah!

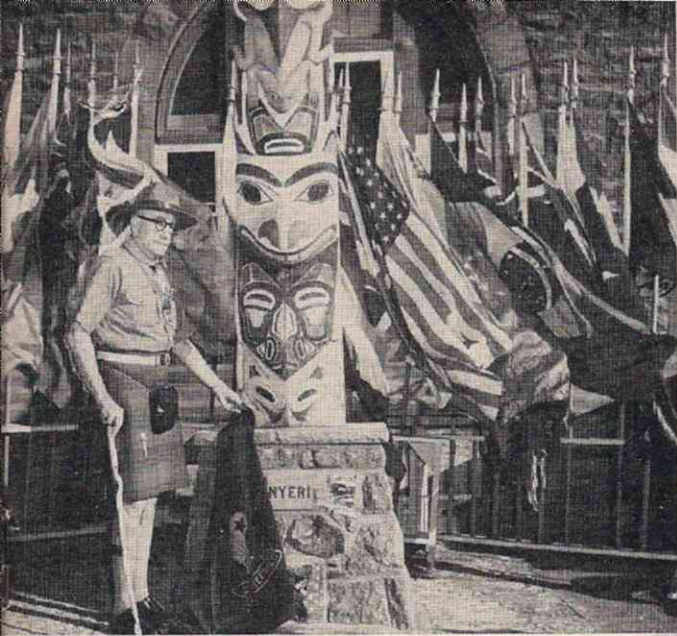
The Wolf Cubs marched in six by six
The Bandarlog were up to their tricks
Chorus And they all went into their tents, etc.
(Twice) The Wolf Cubs marched in seven by seven,
hurrah, hurrah!
The Wolf Cubs marched in seven by seven
They were camping down in Devon
Chorus And they all went into their tents, etc.
(Twice) The Wolf Cubs marched in eight by eight,
hurrah, hurrah!
The Wolf Cubs marched in eight by eight
Chil the kite shrieked "Don't be late!"
Chorus And they all went into their tents, etc.
(Twice) The Wolf Cubs marched in nine by nine,
hurrah, hurrah!
The Wolf Cubs marched in nine by nine
Said Kaa 'I hope it's time to dine'
Chorus And they all went into their tents, etc.
(Twice) The Wolf Cubs marched in ten by ten,
hurrah, hurrah!
The Wolf Cubs marched in ten by ten
Akela counted all his men
Chorus And they all went into their tents,
For to get out of the rain.



A PICTURE REPORT OF THE VISIT TO CANADA OF THE LORD ROWALLAN, K.T., K.B.

Lord Rowallan arrived in Canada on October 11th and travelled from coast to coast visiting as many centres as possible. He left for England on November 22nd after having made a wonderful contribution to Scouting in Canada and leaving us all many cherished memories. The pictures above are, left to right: top row—Charlottetown, P.E.I.—signing the guest book at the Experimental Farm after planting a tree on the beautiful grounds. With him, left to right, D. Francis Corgan of Imperial Headquarters, R. C. Parent, Provincial Commissioner and

Premier A. W. Matheson of P.E.I. In Moncton, N.B., the Chief is met by Dr. Alan Hopper, A.P.C., and D.C. J. Walker. In Montreal, Que., at the dedication of a totem pole outside the Quebec Provincial Headquarters; Mr. Earle T. Moore, our International Commissioner, welcomes Lord Rowallan. Second row, left to right: in London, Ont., during a visit to their beautiful new Headquarters at Spencer Park; in Ottawa, Ont., the Chief presented Queen's Scout Certificates. Here he is with D.C. Lt. Col. P. D. Holt and two Queen's Scouts; in Saskatoon,



L., M.C., T.D., L.L.D., CHIEF SCOUT OF THE BRITISH COMMONWEALTH AND EMPIRE

Sask., Lord Rowallan, top, chats with a Cub; centre, inspects Guard of Honour; bottom, presents Queen's Scout Certificates; in Winnipeg, Man., he received a bronze buffalo from Premier Duff Roblin; in Edmonton, Alta., the Chief spoke to Service Clubs and other groups, as he did elsewhere in Canada. Bottom, left to right: in Calgary the Chief was transported in a traditional chuck wagon; a keen dairyman in his native Scotland, the Chief took a keen interest in farming in

Canada; in Vancouver Lord Rowallan took time to talk to boys about their Scouting skills, as he did wherever it was possible at other stops; in Victoria he tested a "monkey bridge" constructed for the welcoming rally of Cubs and Scouts and Rovers; in Smiths Falls, Ont., the Chief visited the Ontario Hospital Group and was very impressed by the smartness of this mentally handicapped group.

GAMES FROM OUR READERS

BIG GAME HUNTING

The purpose of this game is to get the Cubs to use their imagination and power of observation.

Each Six is given a sheet of paper the same colour as their Six and cuts it into 10 to 20 strips.

Each Six is given a handful of pins or tacks and a sheet of paper, the same colour as their Six. They cut this into 10 to 20 strips. An animal, bear, wolf, giraffe, etc., is allotted to each Six. On go the members of the Six who must spot and mark with a strip of paper their own animal as observed in the knot formation seen in the strange designs that nature puts into wood—the den floor, doors, plywood and panel board and so on. At the end of five minutes, the Six with the greatest number of animals wins the hunt.

The game would have greater scope outdoors with the Cubs looking for odd shaped stones, bark formations, and different types of twigs.

From Earl Jorven, Pennant, Sask.

ROBIN HOOD AND LITTLE JOHN

A fun game that brings in plank-walking and develops the boys' sense of balance. Equipment—one 2" x 6" plank 15' long. Two 50 lb. flour bags about one-quarter full of sawdust.

The story behind the game comes from the story of Robin Hood, when he met Little John on the narrow bridge where there was no room to pass. Neither would back off, so they decided to settle the matter of who would cross and who would have a bath, with their cudgels. The plank is the bridge and the sacks are the cudgels. The pack is split into two teams, Robin Hood and Little Johns. If the Robins knock a John off the bridge the Robins win a point, and vice-versa.

From Howard Vincent, Aldershot, Ont.

BLOCK BUSTERS

A novel steam-off game that is guaranteed by the author to be enjoyable to Cubs.

The Sixes are in relay formation. Fifteen feet away from each Six is a pile of 15 2" x 2" x 2" wooden blocks and 15 feet beyond that a 2" x 2" chalked square. On 'GO' number one boy runs to the pile of blocks, picks up one, runs forward and places block on the white square and returns to the rear position in his Six. Numbers two, three, four, five and six boys do likewise. No boy is permitted to leave his position in his Six until the previous boy has returned to the starting line. After number one, any boy who has piled his block and notices that the pile of the Six next to his is unattended may reach over and up-set the pile by grasping the bottom block only. He is not allowed to kick or slap the pile. For this purpose, only the pile of blocks on either side of his own may be upset. The next boy arriving with a block, re-piles the fallen blocks, adds his block and possibly tips the pile next to his and returns immediately to his Six. Should two boys arrive to pile a block at the same time, both piles would then be attended and thus protected and each boy must return to his Six without having disturbed the other's pile. If one boy purposefully or otherwise tips the other's pile at this time he must remain and pile for them. The object of the game is to pile your 15 blocks first. It can be done to the delight of all and more blocks can be added as your boys become familiar with the game. The winning Six is

declared when all boys are sitting on the floor in relay formation, legs crossed, arms folded across the breast and the Six silent.

From Wm. A. Bissett, Prince Rupert, B.C.

JIG-SAW EMBLEM HUNT

This game is designed to illustrate a specific subject at a particular time of the year. The following designs might be selected: a Christmas tree for Christmas, a shamrock for St. Patrick's Day, a witch for hallow'een, or even a wolf's head or any of the jungle animals.

The design is drawn on a piece of paper (perhaps 5" or 6" square) and one cut out for each Six with a different colour for each. Just draw or trace the design on one piece of paper and then put sufficient colours together so that they can all be cut at once.

The various colours are kept together and then cut to form a jig-saw puzzle or rather several puzzles, one of each colour. Six or eight pieces of the puzzle are sufficient.

Prior to the meeting, one of the Leaders places these cut-up pieces around the hall (no higher than the Cubs can reach). When the game is played, each Six is given a colour (preferably the colour of the Six) and they must then find all the pieces of the paper of their colour.

This game teaches observation, team play and alertness in that the boys work together as a Six and should not touch parts of the puzzles of other Sixes. Points may be awarded for teamwork—the first Six to collect all pieces, the first to put the puzzle together and the Six with the best account of the puzzle event, saint, etc.

Submitted by Arthur G. Humphries,
Baloo, 29th Pack (Church of the Ascension),
Ottawa



Photo Courtesy, The Daily Nugget, North Bay, Ont.

A safety-conscious person is not just a driver who will stop at a red light, a cyclist who drives close to the curb or even a pedestrian who looks for cars before crossing the street. He is one who is so familiar with the basic highway laws that he will automatically put them into effect whether he be a driver, cyclist or pedestrian and, when traversing on a road or highway, he is aware of other people and how they 'treat the road'. During the recent Drive Safely campaign in North Bay, Ontario, the local Scouts worked closely with the police in their efforts to make North Bay a safety-conscious city.

UN ACTE DE COURAGE

par PERE GUY COYETTE, OMI, Commissaire District Routhier

L'incident se passe durant un bel après-midi du mois d'août dernier, alors qu'un groupe de jeunes gens et jeunes filles de Falher, Alberta, se réjouissent sur les bords de la rivière Smoky, environ 20 milles à l'ouest de leur ville.

Parmi le groupe, on remarque le jeune André Foisy, âge de 19 ans, toujours souriant malgré le danger qui le guette. Ses amis sont avec lui, pour une dernière partie de plaisir ensemble. Ce qui attendait André, ce dimanche-là, il ne le soupçonnait même pas.

Vers 2.30 h. de l'après-midi, l'on décide qu'un bain rafraîchirait très bien; alors les garçons se jettent à l'eau, ne se souciant guère de la traître rivière, pleine de trous, formés par les remous dangereux de l'endroit. On s'en courage et on traverse la rivière. Parmi les nageurs, on remarque André Foisy, Paul Turcotte, Gérard Debarre et Armand Bruneau. Le jeune André a déjà traversé la rivière, large d'environ 75 pieds en cet endroit, et il s'apprête à revenir sur le rivage opposé. Armand Bruneau a aperçu une mère ourse et ses petits, s'en revient en avant d'André pour aller à la rencontre des animaux... mais voilà que des cris le ramènent à la rivière. André est en train d'appeler au secours... Armand se jette à l'eau et essaie de saisir André qui le griffe partout, comme c'est la manière d'un homme qui va se noyer. George vient à rescousse et tente d'aider Armand à sauver André, mais voilà que George ne nage pas trop bien lui-même. Alors, Armand se tient derrière André pour le pousser de ses pieds tandis que George aide par en avant. Mais André saisit George à la gorge et descend sous l'eau... Armand revient par en avant et s'empare de George qui se débat autant qu'André. Armand lui dit de ne plus se débattre, autrement il le laissera. George écoute et Armand le ramène au rivage non sans difficulté; mais alors un troisième nageur se trouve en détresse et c'est Paul Turcotte qui a tenté, dans la peine d'André, de lui porter secours. Paul a avalé beaucoup d'eau déjà, et se sent faiblir; il crie au secours. Ce que voyant, Armand lui tend une branche d'arbre que Paul saisit aussitôt. Tout ce qui précède n'a pas duré deux minutes... André a disparu sous l'onde. Armand est fatigué... Il donne quelques exercices de respiration artificielle à Paul qui renvoie un peu d'eau. Sans tarder Armand se met à chercher des yeux André qu'il n'aperçoit plus.

Il demande alors aux jeunes filles de former avec lui une chaîne traversant la rivière un peu plus bas, où l'eau est moins profonde. Le sauveteur à ce moment est trop fatigué pour retourner à la nage. On forme donc la chaîne, et Armand indique qu'il faut chercher pour un objet blanc, et qu'au cri affirmatif, il se lancera de nouveau. Mais on ne revoit plus rien...

La tragédie s'est passée en un clin d'œil... Quelques amis arrivent vers 3 hrs. et constatent la disparition de leur grand ami. La police est alertée, et elle arrive vers l'heure du souper. On fouille le lit de la rivière sans succès jusqu'à la noirceur, puis on se retire sans avoir retrouvé André. On ne le retrouvera que le lendemain midi.

Armand Bruneau est un ancien scout de la Troupe de Falher. Il a dit lui-même que s'il n'avait pas appris chez les scouts un peu de sauvetage, qu'il n'aurait pu en sauver

deux. Dans son humilité, il a ajouté qu'il n'a fait que son devoir, mais nous connaissons Armand, et s'il n'avait gardé son sang-froid, un jeune de 19 ans se serait énervé devant la situation qui s'aggravait avec les deux sauveteurs bien intentionnés mais inattendus.

Armand a été chez les scouts durant quelques années où il a appris à tirer une personne dans l'embarras de l'eau, à donner la respiration artificielle, à lancer un objet pour aider une personne en train de se noyer. Il a aussi appris à garder la maîtrise de lui-même dans un cas comme celui qui s'est présenté. C'est ce qui lui a valu les appréciations de la police montée qui lui a dit: "Il n'y avait qu'une chose à faire, et tu l'as faite".

Il me fait plaisir, à titre de Commissaire de District pour notre région de la Rivière la Paix, de féliciter Armand Bruneau pour son acte de bravoure; que son exploit soit reconnu par tous les jeunes de son âge. Ce que l'on apprend dans le scoutisme peut nous servir à tout moment. Un exemple en vaut bien un autre, me direz-vous? ... Reste quand même que cet exemple raconté ici a vu un jeune mettant en pratique ce qu'il avait appris à la troupe, et que son savoir-faire a sauvé deux jeunes de son âge. Qu'il n'ait pu sauver son ami André Foisy, qui le blâmerait? Fallait-il peut-être, qu'il s'enfonce sous l'eau lui-même après en avoir soutiré deux, pour ternir son acte de bravoure d'un faux pas et traverser dans l'autre monde avec son confrère?

Que ce sauvetage éclaire nos jeunes scouts davantage et les encourage à étudier de mieux en mieux ce qu'on leur montre en fait de sauvetage aquatique.



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PROGRAMME IDEAS FOR THE TROOP

By SCOUTER DON

Self Portraits

Scouters desire a souvenir picture of each Patrol but cannot afford photographs. Each Patrol will produce a sketch in which each Scout will draw himself. Suitable honours for outstanding efforts (Alternative—each Scout does a cartoon of some happening at a recent Troop event.)

Camp Layouts

Each Patrol has two sheets of paper, one of which is divided into smaller pieces. On these the Patrol will make sketches of tent, campstove, latrine, gadgets, etc. These will then be pinned in place on the other sheet, or glued, to represent a good layout for a Patrol campsite. Points for originality. It is important for every boy to be assigned a definite job by the P.O.

Electric Fence

An obstacle relay. In front of each Patrol a Scout staff is suspended horizontally about three-four feet above the floor. Each member in turn must be hoisted over without allowing him or his clothing to come in contact with the staff.

Challenges

Each month one Patrol is permitted to challenge the rest of the Troop to a Scouting competition. (Challenge must be fair to all Patrols.) Challenger sets number of points for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc. (Limit total number of points.) Challenge not accepted means total point value awarded to challenger. If challenge is accepted and challenging Patrol fails to come first, these points are removed from it and distributed in order. Otherwise, they may be considered a bonus.

Compass Kim

A large card is marked off with various points of the compass. Articles are arranged around it at the different points. Scouts are allowed to observe for a minute, then quizzed on location of various objects.

Have a Clue

Scouter thinks of a location and gives one clue as to its whereabouts, i.e., sandy ground, jackpine, brick house, etc. Successive clues are given until one Patrol is able to describe how to reach the spot.



Photo by Reg. Vidler, Gardenvale, Que.

Twelve sets of brothers in one Group! This is the plight facing the Leaders of the Ste. Anne de Bellevue Wolf Cubs. One can imagine the tongue-twisting that must go on. Back row, left to right: Baloo Jack Parkinson; Akela Regina Parkinson and Assistant Ross Delo. The Cubs are shown in pairs, the older brother standing behind the younger. Left to right: Bob and Dave Russell; Edward and George Smallhorne; Gordon and John Parkinson; Steve and John Wallace; Gordon and Douglas Hincks; Robert and John Callew; Norman and Dave Thompson; Roddy and Rodge Ramsey; David and John Bigelow; Gary and David Norcott; Donald and John Greenshields; Dick and Roy Keeler.

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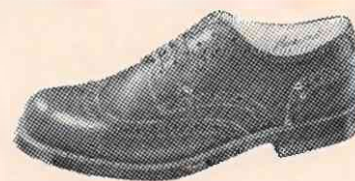
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Boy Scout WEEK

Boy Scout Week this year will be held from February 16th to 22nd. The object of holding a Boy Scout Week is to provide an opportunity for Scouters, boys, parents and other members of the Scout family to tell the general public what Scouting is and does.

A well-planned and carefully executed Boy Scout Week can be a most rewarding experience for everyone who takes part. The more members of the Scout family, including parents, who take part in the planning and actual putting into operation of the celebrations for this week, the greater will be the return to the boys and the Movement we are pleased to work with. Here then are a few suggestions to help you with your planning:

There is little doubt that the initial responsibility for initiating any celebration for Boy Scout Week will fall with Group Scouters. Therefore, it is suggested that you start thinking about Boy Scout Week immediately after you have read the ensuing pages, if you have not already made your plans.

We would suggest a two-step approach at the initial planning stage.

1. Contact your local Headquarters to see what arrangements have been made for celebration of Scout Week on a District or Area level.
2. Ask the Chairman of the Group Committee to call a special meeting of the Group Committee with all Group Scouters present and this meeting to take place not later than the third week of January.

In the meantime . . .



Discuss the object of Boy Scout Week with the other Scouters in your Section and with your Court of Honour and/or Sixers' Council. They may have some useful ideas for you to take to the special meeting of the Group Committee.

PARENT COOPERATION



THE DAY AFTER the meeting of the Group Committee, arrange to have a notice sent to all parents outlining the Section and Group's plans for Scout Week and asking for their co-operation and participation, pointing out to them that this is an opportunity for the entire Scout family to tell the public about the Movement about which they are so proud. Ask them to come to a special meeting which will last only one hour to be held not later than the first Monday in February.



This meeting may not be possible but can be extremely valuable if time permits. It should be chaired by the Chairman of the Group Committee and the time element is most important. Under no circumstances should the meeting last more than an hour and preferably much less. Briefly the programme would be as follows:

1. The Chairman would outline the object and total plans for the Group.
2. Each Section Scouter would outline briefly the plans for the part his boys will play in the celebration.
3. Two or three previously primed parents would then come up and offer to undertake the promotion of some special phase of the programme, i.e., informing the press, arranging for store window displays, etc.



Boy Participation

Boy participation in the special celebrations is, of course, to be the keynote. Group Scouters should look for opportunities to look for live demonstrations of 'Good Turns' performed during the week. Particular attention should be paid to performing Group 'Good Turns' for sponsors.



Displays of handicrafts and handicraft skills may be featured at special meetings of Sections to which the general public is invited. This is of course a week for special Pack meetings and special Troop meetings and special Crew meetings.



Use Dramatic Activities For Displays

Remember that the public is looking for the display of some of our more dramatic activities and try not to confuse them with too much jungle atmosphere programmes, inspections, ceremonies, etc., which require a greater understanding of the structure of the Movement to fully appreciate. We would suggest that you rather concentrate on such items as rope spinning, pioneering, artificial respiration, camping techniques, winter Scouting programmes, etc. Keep these special programmes as practical and easy to understand as possible. Don't overlook the opportunity to present live demonstrations in store windows, theatre lobbies, parks and shopping centres.

Keep Parents Informed



As your plans progress in these activities make sure your boys take home an up-to-date report to their parents who are playing an active part in the celebration of this week.

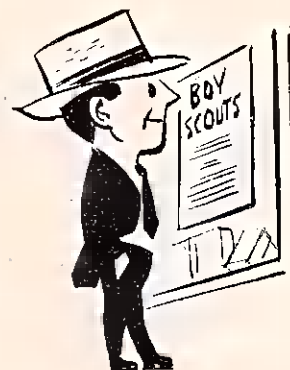
Approach Local Merchants



Parents who are assisting the Group Committee can make approaches to merchants in your area requesting their assistance in making available space for Scout Week displays.

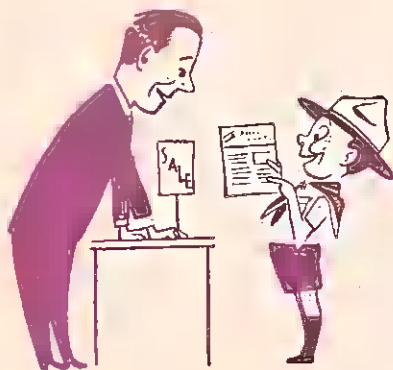


They should ask for prominent space in best-selling windows.



Where the general public will be immediately attracted to your display or poster.

Ask Advertising Men For Ideas



Then in true advertising fashion, do not forget to have the parent ask for point-of-sale advertising and even, if possible, to have the personnel of the various stores made aware of what Scout Week is all about. The more people we can get working for us the better.



Above all do not overlook the official distributors of the Boy Scouts Association who should be prepared to make a special effort to assist us in promoting Boy Scout Week. Above all remember that it is our responsibility to provide the store keeper with all of the information and to offer him our assistance in setting up displays and other materials in such a way as to enhance rather than to disrupt his regular business.

NOW!

It's Up To Us

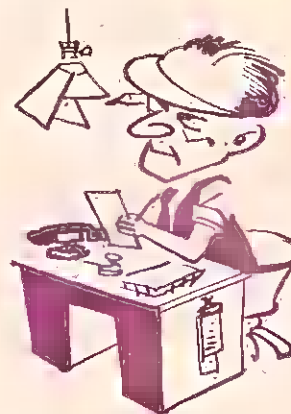
It will be up to those of us who are very familiar with the Scout Movement to provide our Group Committees and parents with factual and interesting information about the Boy Scouts Association in the international, national and, most important of all, local field. For example, they should know that there are over 8,000,000 Scouts in the world and that Scouting enjoys a prominent place in the society in almost every free country in the world. There are over a quarter of a million boys involved in the Scout Movement in Canada and our growth in membership is much greater than the normal increase in boy population throughout the country. They will want to know the age groups of the three Sections and what the outline of their programme is and how they operate. They will want to know what you have done in the past year, any special activities, how many boys there are in the community who are members of the Boy Scout Movement, who sponsors Scouting, what the aims and objects of the Boy Scout Movement are, and a great many more details. Your job is a big one, and that is why you must collect a lot of this material and then boil it down into easy-to-read and easy-to-understand form and pass it to the various members of the parent committee who are helping to put across Boy Scout Week.



THEN!



One man or family will be responsible for approaching all of the religious leaders in the community asking for their support of Boy Scout Week, direct from the pulpit and in any other way which is possible.



See The Editor

Another family will want a copy of your factual information for presentation to the editors of local papers and to company magazines and to any other printed form which may be available.



Approach Radio and T.V. Station

The same thing applies to the two or three parents who will be approaching radio and television station managers or producers. In this case, they may require boys and so the Group Scouters should be prepared to have two or three, or even more boys, ready to tell the story of Scouting in their Group to a radio or television audience.

Use Films

There are a number of films available for use by television stations and for Groups who will be presenting special programme material during Scout Week. A list of these films may be obtained from your Local Headquarters. There are also a few trailers available for movie houses and the local managers of theatres should be approached for their assistance.



Suggest Speakers For Clubs

Another group of parents will be seeking the co-operation of service clubs both male and female, who once again will not only want informed speakers but may require boys to be their guests at a luncheon.

In all of the cases mentioned you can see the importance of having factual information of an interesting nature prepared and many copies ready for the parents who will take this information and disseminate it through a variety of sources.



A Group Party

If it is at all possible, do plan a Section or Group, as the case may be, get-together not later than Saturday, February 21st. This could be in the form of a Victory banquet when all the members of the Scout family are drawn together and each Section, not only tell what it has done during the Week, but puts on a brief display of Scouting skills for the parents. It would be an opportunity for the parents to see their boys in action, briefly, and for the Group Committee to pay tribute to those parents who have done so much to help in the promotion of Scout Week, 1959. Make invitations to this banquet colourful and remember, the form of your lettering on such an invitation often conveys as much meaning as the words. If there is an artist in your parent group, do make use of him.

These are just a few suggestions and we feel sure that you will have a great many more which you will want to incorporate in your plans for a successful celebration for Scout Week during 1959.



B.-P. Sunday

B.-P. Sunday, February 22nd, marks the end of Scout Week. If a church parade is possible within the framework of our rules as laid down in *Policy, Organization and Rules*, then this is the Sunday for it. Otherwise we would suggest that boys in uniform, accompany their parents to their own churches and that the religious leaders of the community be asked, in particular, to pay tribute to the late Lord Baden-Powell, Founder of the Boy Scout Movement. It will be necessary, therefore, to provide these religious leaders with adequate information about B.-P. and there is a pamphlet available, free of charge, from your local Headquarters on the life of Lord Baden-Powell.

There is a great deal of information available to you, through your local Headquarters, in the form of pamphlets, booklets, film lists, banquet supplies, etc. Do call upon them and make use of their advice and services. This magazine would like to hear about your successful celebration of Scout Week, so do plan to have photographers take pictures and send them along with your story to the editor.

CUBBING AND THE CEREBRAL PALSY BOY

By RUTH L. PETERSON, Edmonton, Alberta

He is a blue eyed, blond, ten year-old boy who is not too different from other ten year-old boys and he is a Cub. What makes him special?

He has Cerebral Palsy. He cannot walk, he cannot talk and he has little use of his hands, but he is in Grade IV.

Due to birth injuries, the motor system of his body was damaged and his muscular co-ordination is out of control. He attends a "Clinic" daily and receives his formal education there. This particular Cub's name is Gerry, but it could be Michael or John or Billie and he is so proud to wear the Cub uniform. Gerry belongs to the 33rd Edmonton, Alberta Group (Pack "C").

It is indeed a thrilling experience for him to join with other Cubs in their activities. Gerry accompanies them in bottle drives, Christmas card sales or whatever the project is, and even in a wheelchair he can enjoy a campfire.

To the parents of Cerebral Palsy Boys I would like to give a word of encouragement. Most Cerebral Palsy children have average or above average intelligence. They are buried beneath their own bodies and it is most essential that a way of "life" be found for them. They are normal boys, with normal emotions and desires, require normal outlets and creative activities. The 'Boy Scout Programme' provides such outlets.

To the Scouter who is considering or may in future be faced with the problem of admitting a Cerebral Palsy to his Pack, may I say this, the rewards of such an undertaking far outweigh any extra effort that may have to be put forth. The task is simpler than it would appear.

These youngsters have keen minds and are eager to compete on an intellectual level. They can be taught all

the material from "Tenderpad to Second Star", and although he may never be able to tie a knot because this is a physical impossibility he can differentiate between types of knots.

Some activity substitutions may have to be made as many of them, though not all by any means, cannot walk. They can, however, identify leaves and wild flowers; pictures and samples are readily available in any locale.

Special privileges must be kept to a bare minimum and common-sense allowances made for the physical handicaps.

Important as it is that the Cerebral Palsy boy learns much from the Pack and its programme, it is equally important to remember that he also has something to give—himself.

It takes a special kind of courage to watch other boys participate in games that you will never be able to compete in. It also takes a special courage to sing and have the words come out all wrong, because your breathing mechanism is impaired. But your fellow "Cubs" have accepted you and you glow with pride because you have found a place of acceptance and usefulness. Yes, you are important as a Cub.

For all the parents of Gerrys and Michaels and Billies with Cerebral Palsy, I ask you to help us in helping our sons.

The attitude of Scouters, Clergymen and Group Committees are of vital importance in building the foundations for the lives of these boys. They travel a lonely road.

As parents, we present you our Cerebral Palsy Sons. Scouters, please accept our "Sons" and give them Scout experience.

POETRY and SCOUTING

By SCOUTER DON

Poetry, recited or read in the atmosphere of the campfire, can be a very entertaining item provided it is brief, well chosen for the audience and the occasion, and presented as well as possible. Let us not be too serious about it. The aim is a bit of fun or inspiration. If there's a talented lad who can tackle it better than the Scouters, all well and good. But don't press for perfection.

There are many bits of verse which add to the effectiveness of the Jungle Books. Some may be incorporated into Pack ceremonies, others used at campfires. Other suitable poems for Cubs are not hard to find. Let them be small and tasty bites.

Poetry for Scouts? Yes, but not slop. There are poets who have written rugged, virile stuff that goes down well

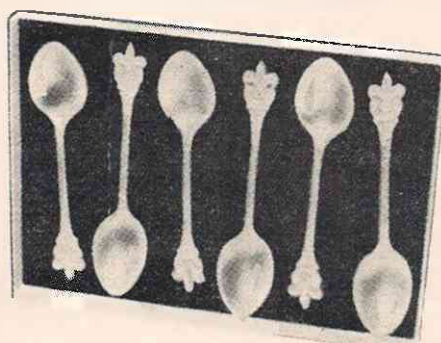
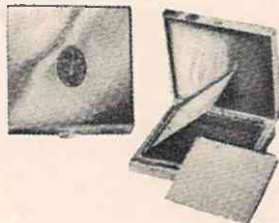
with a Troop—Kipling, Service, and Masfield to name a few. "Gunga Din", "If", "The Ballad of East and West", "The Road to Mandalay", "The Law of the Yukon", "The Call of the Wild", "The Shooting of Dan McGrew", "The Cremation of Sam McGee" these are only some of the many excellent pieces available. More lyrical but no less picturesque are Pauline Johnson's "The Train Dogs" and "The Song My Paddle Sings".

A still lake, a starlit sky, the dying embers, and a soft voice reading in this perfect setting. If that does not impress young minds, what will? Let's show them a little of the fun and drama of poetry so that by the time they're Rovers they'll want to pursue it on their own. A taste for good verse is one of the lasting pleasures of life.

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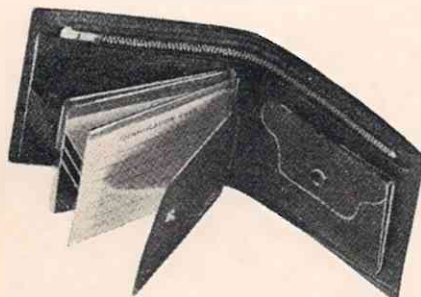
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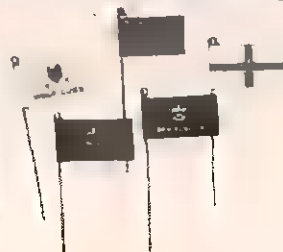
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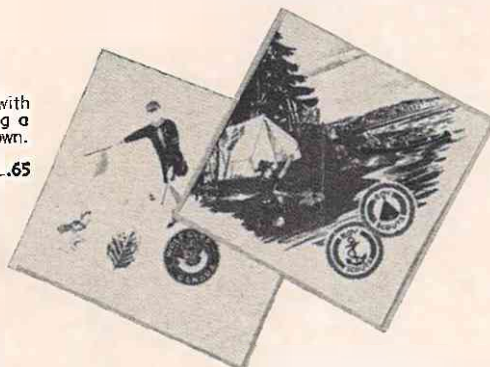
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