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

Dear Jack:

Since I wrote you last, I have been "up in the air" a great deal, in more senses than one. First there was the trip from here to Vancouver to meet the Canadian Contingent for the 10th World Jamborce. Then there was the trip from Vancouver to Manila, which was longer and more complicated than anticipated as we made stops en route to Anchorage, Alaska, Misawa and Tokyo, Japan and Okinawa before reaching Manila seven hours behind schedule. I hope some time to have the opportunity of giving you a word picture of our experience in the Philippines but, in the meantime, I would refer you to the excellent article in the current issue of The Junior Leader written by one of the Canadian Jamboree Scouts, John Howatson.

Following the close of the Jamboree I went on to New Delhi, India where I had the honour of representing Canada at the International Conference. This was a most successful event, one of the highlights being the Address delivered by Prime Minister Nehru at the opening of the Conference. I had the pleasure of meeting and chatting to Mr. Nehru at the Reception which followed, I could write at length on my impressions of India, even though my stay was only five days long. However, I shall not attempt that here because I do want to tell you something of the 3rd Canadian Rover Moot held near Banff. Alberta, which I attended following my return from the Far East.

I thought the Moot was a great success and, considering the distance from Eastern Canada, the attendance was good, there being over 500 registered. It would be difficult to find a more beautiful or more suitable site than the one chosen.

The programme of the Moot was imaginative and challenging, and it was heartening to see the extent to which the Rovers participated in everything that was arranged for them-the overnight hike; the buffalo barbecue; an illustrated talk on the routes of the Voyageurs; geological displays and the visit of experts, who gave practical demonstrations of their skills, on such subjects as mountain climbing, mining. weather forecasting, fishing and fly tying, fire fighting, and the use and care of pack horses. There was certainly enough there to whet the appetite and capture the interest of every Rover and the only regret one had was that it was a pity that all the Rovers of this country could not participate.

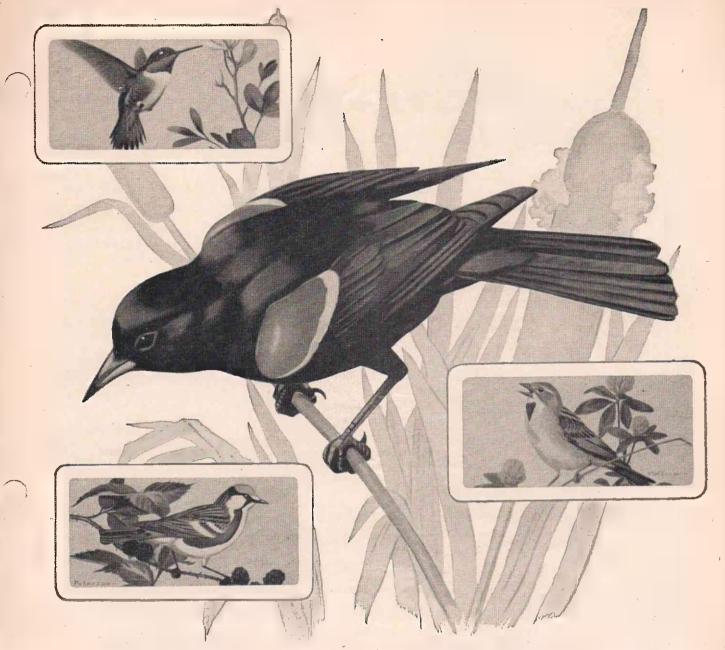
I am sure Moots such as this do a great deal to stimulate Rovering and the more of our older Scouts who learn about these Moots, the more who will want to get into Rovering when the time comes for them to say Good-Bye to their Troops. I know you are doing everything you can to so stimulate your older boys and I hope that many others will follow your example.

Yours sincerely.

Chief Executive Commissioner.

#### Our cover picture

15th-22nd is Young Canada's Book Week and Scout Andy Whyte of Ottawa agrees this would be a good time to become more familiar with library services through-out Canada. As Scouters, we have a wonderful opportunity to encourage boys to explore the adventures of good reading. Don't overlook the extensive list of Scouting books in this year's catalogue.



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## SCOUTING PAMPHLETS . . . II

By B. H. MORTLOCK, Executive Commissioner (Relationships), Canadian Headquarters

This is the second in a series of articles drawing to the attention of the field Canadian Head-, quarters pamphlets available for distribution through District and Provincial Headquarters. Do not order pamphlets direct from Canadian Headquarters.

We deal this month with those pamphlets designed to assist the Wolf Cub Section of the Movement.

A Word to Parents on Cubbing. This pamphlet, with application for membership attached, is intended to inform parents on what the Wolf Cub programme is trying to do for boys. On the back of the application form appear the details of the Special Indemnity Insurance offered to registered Wolf Cubs. A page is also provided to give parents information regarding place, time and length of meetings; uniform necessary, and the names and telephone numbers of the leaders.

The Wolf Cub Uniform. A single sheet showing how the uniform is worn and where badges and insignia are affixed.

We Are Partners in Cubbing. This most useful pamphlet is in the form of a letter to parents, telling them how they can assist their Cub son in passing tests and acquiring badges. Those tests in which parents can personally assist are outlined in bold face type. The letter, as the title suggests, offers the parents an opportunity to become partners in the Cub training of their son.

Up the Cubbing Ladder. A successful display item which Cub leaders will find useful in publicly demonstrating what the Cub programme is endeavouring to accomplish.

Cubbing is a Family Activity. A single page cartoon type presentation of how the family may participate in Cub activities.

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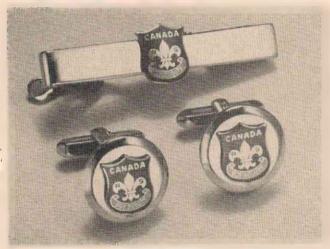
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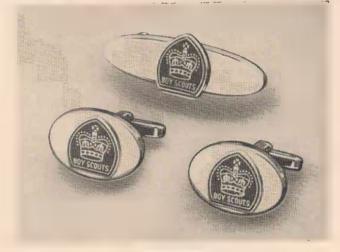
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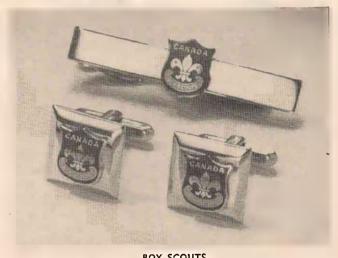
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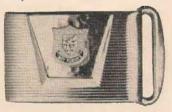
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## YOUNG CANADA'S BOOK WEEK

"The best of a book is not the thought which it contains, but the thought which it suggests; just as the charm of music dwells not in the tones but in the echoes of our hearts." -OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES.

From Coast to Coast; from the Arctic Circle to the American border, Young Canada's Book Week will be actively promoted during the week of November 15th to 22nd. Libraries, radio, television, newspapers and magazines will all help provide a nationwide background to the local community celebration of Book Week which is, as Dr. Hilda Neatby, Patroness of Young Canada's Book Week, so aptly expressed it, "dedicated to the mission of making good books better known to all young Canadians, and to their elders."

Part of our responsibility as boy-leaders is to direct the interests and actions of our Scouts along worthwhile lines so that they will want to become well-rounded and useful citizens. The slogan of Young Canada's Book Week is, as a matter of fact: YOUNG CANADA TODAY: CITIZENS TOMORROW.

Good books help to stimulate imagination and provide enjoyment and fun, knowledge, a widening of experience in many fields. Have you ever given a book as a prize or gift? Have you a Scouting library in your Section? Do all of your boys have library cards and if so, do they know how to use them properly?

With the wealth of books now available for young people, it is often confusing and frequently difficult to decide where to begin looking; what to recommend. For your assistance, we are here presenting a brief article by Christine Stewart, a children's librarian. In addition, we highly recommend the Great Stories of Canada series available from The Stores Department, 306 Metcalfe St., Ottawa 4, Ont., at only \$2.50 each (incorrectly priced at \$2.00 in the last issue of *The Scout Leader*). These exciting Canadian tales are as adventurous as any boy could possibly wish—and they are all based on historical fact.



Most Scouts hunt adventurous trails in tracking, camping and other outdoor activities, but how many seek the trails of adventures innumerable through good books?

Scientists, for example, lead exciting lives, outside the laboratory as well as inside. The tragic, heroic story of Scott's expedition to the South Pole is told in NO SUR-RENDER, by H. Avery. In more recent years, a young Norwegian—Thor Heyerdahl—and his companions sailed across the Pacific on a raft made of Balsa wood, and lived to tell the exciting tale in KON TIKI.

Looking into the past is an adventure, especially with such books as LOST WORLDS, by A. T. White, which gives a fascinating account of the excavations of Troy, the Palace of Minos, etc.

Many boys who spurn poetry may change their minds if they are given THE BOYS BOOK OF VERSE, compiled by Helen D. Fish and IMAGINATION'S OTHER PLACE, compiled by Helen Plotz. The former is a collection of old and new poems which have a special appeal for boys—poems of the outdoors, of peace and war and a large selection of story poems. The latter is a wonderful collection of poems of science and mathematics—some are far from solemn.

Tell me a story! The art of storytelling has long been in existence and many of the old stories were handed down from generation to generation and finally written down—the myths early man created about the world around him, the legends he wove around a famous person or event. Stories of the Greek gods are superbly told in

A WONDER BOOK AND TANGLEWOOD TALES, by Nathaniel Hawthorne. THE ODYSSEY OF HOMER, retold by A. J. Church, relates the famous story of the strange adventures of Ulysses on his way home from the Trojan war. Many books have been written about King Arthur and his knights but one of the best and most complete versions is that of Howard Pyle, covering four volumes: THE STORY OF KING ARTHUR, LAUNCELOT AND HIS COMPANIONS, THE CHAMPIONS OF THE ROUND TABLE and THE GRAIL AND THE PASSING OF ARTHUR. No boy should miss these wonderful books. The same author also retold THE MERRY ADVENTURES OF ROBIN HOOD.

The historical novel, at its best, will excite even the boy who says he is bored by history. THE GAUNTLET by Ronald Welch is a good starter for the boy who has not tackled historical stories before. In CUE FOR TREASON by Geoffrey Trease, a runaway boy discovers and foils a plot to assassinate Queen Elizabeth I. Most boys will have read TREASURE ISLAND by Robert Louis Stevenson but may have missed KIDNAPPED by the same author: orphaned David Balfour eludes his uncle's murderous attempts on his life only to find himself, together with his Jacobite friend Alan Breck, a suspected murderer on the run in the highlands of Scotland. Leaders will have used KIM and THE JUNGLE BOOKS, but PUCK OF POOKS HILL by Rudyard Kipling should not be forgotten: for the boy and girl who meet him on the downs, on Midsummer Eve, Puck summons characters from many different periods of history to tell their stories.

THE BOY'S SHERLOCK HOLMES, by Arthur Conan Doyle is a collection of some of the most famous tales concerning that strange detective.

Books of adventure are legion. Two Canadian writers have written good stories with a Canadian background: STAFBUCK VALLEY WINTER, by Roderick Haig-Brown is the story of a boy who spends the winter trapping in the backwoods of British Columbia. LOST IN THE BARRENS, by Farley Mowat is the story of a Scots-Canadian boy and his Indian friend who have to fight for survival in the barren lands of the North. The children who appear in Arthur Ransome's stories show the same qualities which B.-P. wished to foster in boys who became Scouts: self-reliance, independence and responsibility. In twelve stories, beginning with SWALLOWS AND AMAZONS, a group of boys and girls have camp-

ing, sailing and exploring adventures during their holi-

Mark Twain's two books, THE ADVENTURES OF TOM SAWYER and THE ADVENTURES OF HUCKLEBERRY FINN have made thrilling reading for generations of boys who have read and re-read the mischievous adventures of Tom Sawyer and the escapades of the runaway Huck.

Someone once said 'Man builds no structure which outlives a book . . . without the love of books the richest man is poor, but endowed with this treasure of treasures the poorest man is rich."

Encourage your boys to read, by suggesting some of the above-mentioned stories, or any of the books in the bibliography which follows.

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## Letter From A Boy

We invite you to read the following, reprinted from the Kansas City Star. It needs no explanation from us.

"It is too late for us because the damage has been done, and our child has a record . . . but maybe if we share this letter it will help other parents. Thank you very, very much."

Dear Folks,

Thank you for everything but I am going to Chicago and try to start some kind of new life.

You asked me why I did those things and why I gave you so much trouble, and the answer is easy for me to give you, but I am wondering if you will understand.

Remember when I was about six or seven and I used to want you to just listen to me? I remember all the nice things you gave me for Christmas and my birthday and I was real happy with the things for about a week at the time I got the things, but the rest of the time during the year I really didn't want presents. I just wanted all the time for you to listen to me like I was somebody who felt things too, because I remember even when I was young I felt things. But you said you were busy.

Mom you are a wonderful cook, and you had everything so clean and you were tired so much from doing all those things that made you busy, but you know something. Mom? I would have liked crackers and peanut butter just as well—if you had only sat down with me a little while during the day and said to me "Tell me all about it so I can maybe help you understand."

And when Donna came I couldn't understand why everyone made so much fuss because I didn't think it was my fault that her hair is curly and her teeth so white, and she doesn't have to wear glasses with such thick lenses. Her grades were better too, weren't they?

If Donna ever has any children, I hope you tell her to just pay some attention to the one that doesn't smile very much because that one will really be crying inside. And when she's about to make six dozen cookies to make sure first that the kids don't want to tell her about a dream or a hope or something, because thoughts are important, too, to small kids even though they don't have so many words to use when they tell about what they have inside them.

I think that all the kids who are doing so many things that the grownups are tearing their hair out worrying about, are really looking for somebody that will have time to listen a few minutes and who really and truly will treat them as they would a grownup who might be useful to them. You know—polite to them. If you folks had ever said to me: "Pardon me" when you interrupted me. I'd have dropped dead. If anybody asks you where I am, tell them I have gone looking for somebody with time because I've got a lot of things I want to talk about.

Love to all.



#### APPOINT A COMMITTEE TO START WORK IMMEDIATELY

#### What is the aim of Boy Scout Week?

The aim of Boy Scout Week is to focus public attention on what the Boy Scout Movement, as a character and citizenship training programme, is doing for the boys and young men of Canada.

#### When is Boy Scout Week? B.-P. Sunday?

Boy Scout Week is to be held during the week of February 7th to 13th, 1960. B-P Sunday is the twenty-first of February.

Scout Councils are encouraged to hold their Finance Campaigns during the week following Boy Scout Week—in this case, February 15th to 29th—in order to take advantage of the Scouting publicity.

#### Who is involved in observing Boy Scout Week?

In order to effectively tell what Scouting is and what it does for boys and young men, it is necessary for everybody from the youngest Wolf Cub to the Chief Scout to make an active effort. This includes all phases of Scouting — Group Committees, Ladies' Auxiliaries, leaders, boys, Councils.

#### What is available to assist Group Committees and Scouters?

Every Unit Leader, in co-operation with his Group Committee, should make use of two main tools—the "Lift the Lid" Kit and the Public Relations Handbook, both of which outline things the Group can do to tell the people what Scouting is and does in your community.

- (a) "Lift the Lid" Boy Scout Week Kit for Unit Leaders and Group Committeemen.

  This is a free P.R. service from Canadian Headquarters, available through District Headquarters only or through Provincial Headquarters where no District exists. It offers a number of practical ideas for Boy Scout Week.
- (b) Public Relation Handbook ("Tell the People!")

  We draw your attention especially to the chapters entitled, Good Turns are P.R. Plus; Scout Displays; Posters, Panels, Presentations; Speaking for Scouting; Broadcasting Scouting.



PROGRAMME COVERS are ideal for programmes, menus, announcements, bulletins, Church Services, Parents' Night and other activities during Boy Scout Week (throughout the year, too). The covers have a colourful picture of the Founder or a Camping Scene on front; inside is blank ready to take your printed or mimcographed message. Available through your local Distributor.

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#### What National Support will be given?

Nationally, Boy Scout Week will be publicized through:

- (a) Public Relations News Service ("What's Cooking?");
- (b) Newspapers and magazines (Editors will be given Boy Scout Week information and a special mat proof sheet to give choice of illustrations for Scouting stories);
- (c) Radio and TV;
- (d) Boy Scout Week Posters, available to Unit Leaders through their District Headquarters (free) (These posters will consist of the poster plus a special gummed strip attached to the bottom of the poster for local announcements);
- (e) Special Displays by Scout Distributors across Canada;
- (f) "Lift the Lid" Kits.

In addition to the above, efforts are being made to have a special film trailer made by some well-known Canadian radio and TV stars for use during Boy Scout Week. The same stars, we hope, will make a special recording for use by radio stations.

It is hoped, now that General Vanier is the new Chief Scout of Canada, we will be able to publish a special message from him.



Plan to have the whole Souting family—and this includes parents, too—participate in the 1960 Boy Scout Week activities.

Scoutmasters and Group Committeemen can ensure the success of Boy Scout Week by EARLY PLANNING, CO-OPERATION and IMAGINATION!



Bob Marsh, Richard Mason, Brian Gallipeau, Ron Porteous (2nd Carleton Place Sea Scouts) assisted in Communications during National Exercise Co-operation III at Civil Defence Federal Control Centre, Arnprior. T. C. Rogers, Scoutmaster and member of Civil Defence Headquarters is instructing them.





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## Lest We Forget



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it to the National crinoid stems (sea ik limestone dating ut 20 million years We are most fortunate to enjoy close co-operation with the Royal Canadian Air Force in arranging tours and visits to R.C.A.F. bases for Groups in our Association. It is not only a thrilling occasion for a Scout but also an educational one when he tours a base, and gets a close look at some of the latest in jet aircraft design. In this picture, Flying Officer J. Thompson is shown explaining the mechanics of this aircraft to Cuhmaster W. Burton, Scout R. Snider and Cub J. Stomp during their visit to the R.C.A.F. Station at Ginili, Manitoba. Why not arrange such a visit for your boys?



V S B D G I

By P. M. O. EVANS, Assistant Executive Commissioner (Administration), Canadian Headquarters

Do you know that the Thanks Badge was at one time made up of a Swastika with a Scout Badge superimposed?

In 1921 B-P wrote, in What Scouts Can Do. the fol-

"On the stole of an aucient bishop of Winchester, Edyndon, who died in 1366, is the Swastika or Scouts' Thanks Badge. It was at that time called the "Fylfot", and was said to represent Obedience or Submission, the different arms of the cross being in reality legs in the attitude of kneeling.

"But as you know from the account of the Swastika Thanks Badge which I have given you in Scouting for Boys, this symbol was used in almost every part of the world in ancient days, and therefore has various meanings given to it.

"It has been found engraved on weapons belonging to the Norsemen. It was also engraved on the spindles used by the ancient Greeks in their weaving at Troy.

'In India, rice is spread on the ground in the form of the Swastika at the baptism of a baby boy to bring him luck.

"The Red Indians of North America use it as an ornament, and it has been found engraved on ancient pottery in Peru:

"How it got from one country to another, separated as they are by oceans, it is difficult to, guess, but some people who say they know all about these things, affirm that there was once a great continent where now there is the Atlantic Ocean, but it went under the sea in an earthquake.

"This continent was called Atlantis, and joined up Europe with America.

"It was supposed to have four vast rivers running from a central mountain in different directions—North, East, South and West—and the Swastika is merely a map of Atlantis showing those four rivers rising from the same centre.

"Anyway, whatever its origin was, the Swastika now stands for the Badge of Fellowship among Scouts all over the world, and when anyone has done a kindness to a Scout it is their privilege to present him—or her— with this token of their gratitude, which makes him a sort of member of the Brotherhood, and entitles him to the help of any other Scout at any time and at any place.

"I want specially to remind Scouts to keep their eyes open and never fail to spot anyone wearing this badge. It is their duty to go up to such person, make the Scout sign, and ask if they can be of any service to the wearer.

"I have heard of several instances where Scouts have done this, and it has greatly increased the value of the Thanks Badge to the persons who were wearing it when they found that Scouts recognized it and were auxious to do a Good Turn to them."

When the Nazis came to power in Germany in the 1930's they adopted the Swastika as their own symbol. The rest of the World quickly dissociated themselves from The Crooked Cross. Scouting dropped the Swastika in fayour of the present design.

The Thanks Badge, according to the current "P.O.&R." is primarily intended for presentation to those who are not active Scouts or Scouters, and may be given by any Scout or Scouter, provided he first obtains the approval of The District Council, or where there is none, The Provincial Council, to any person who does a Scout a good turn.

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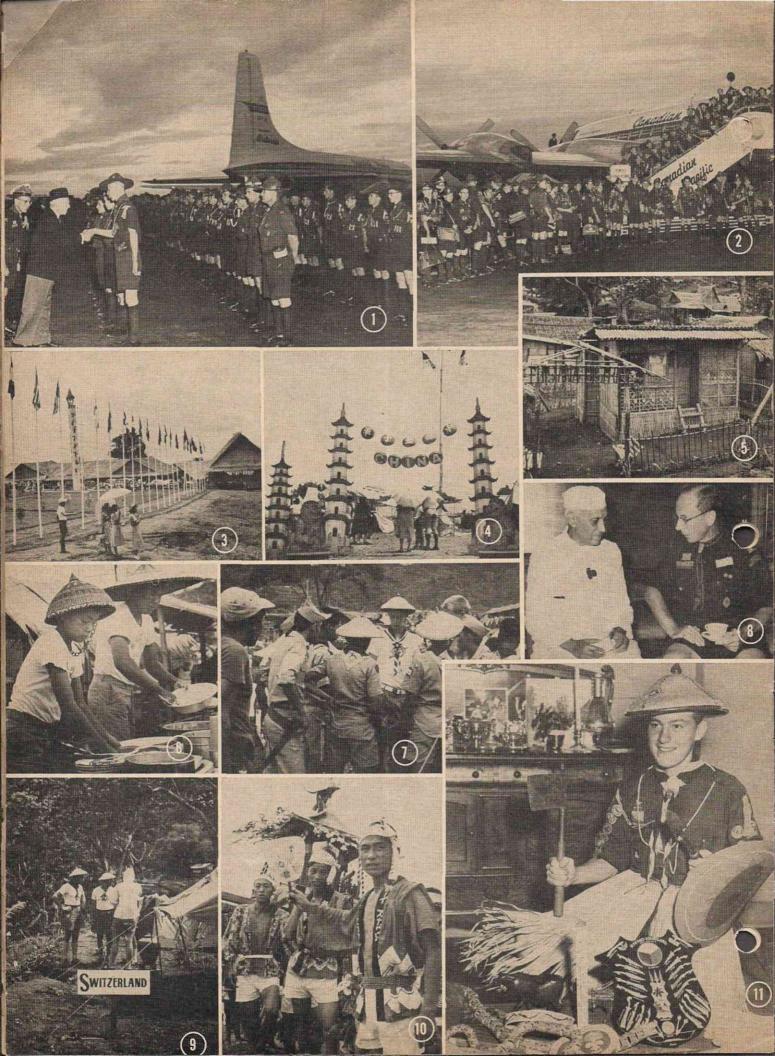
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### 10th WORLD JAMBOREE

1. Chief Justice A. C. DesBrisay, B.C. Supreme Court, accompanied by Deputy Contingent Leader Fred J. Finlay, inspect the Canadian Contingent to the 10th World Jamhoree at Makiling Park, Philippine Islands, prior to their departure.



2. The Canadian Contingent ready to board their chartered Britannia aircraft at Vancouver, B.C.



3. Brotherhood Plaza, Makiling Park, where flags of many nations were prominently displayed.



4. Gateway of the Chinese (Formosan) Contingent camp.



5. A typical Filipino campsite. Many of the Filipino boys built their own bamboo huts.



6. Washing up.



7. An American Scout engaged in a swapping session with Scouts from other Contingents.



8. Mr. Fred J. Finlay, Canadian Headquarters' Executive Commissioner, is shown here chatting with Prime Minister Nehru, who officially opened the International Conference at New Delhi, India, just after the Jamborce.



9. A Swiss campsite.



10. Three Scouts from the Japanese Contingent preparing to perform a ceremonial dance in traditional dress.



11. Home again—Iaden with souvenirs and memorics.





Dear Sir:

Much has been said these past few months about Gang Shows and as about 80% of it has been wrong, I think the time has come to present the facts.

Where did Gang Shows come from? Gang Shows started in 1932 in London, England, when a Holborn Rover—Ralph Reader—produced a three-night stand at the Scala Theatre to raise funds to build a swimming pool at the Downe Scout camp. That first show, called "The Gang's All Here", was so successful that Imperial Headquarters asked Ralph to do another the following year.

From that fittle start the Gang Show, as it rapidly became known, has spread all over the world.

Ralph Reader, or Mr. Gang Shows, as he is affectionately known in the Movement, is a professional Actor/Producer, as well as being the Author and Inspirer-in-Chief of Scout Gang Shows all over the world. This man has written more than 400 songs, and as many sketches for Gang Shows, and in turning them over to the Movement, all he saks in return is that they be performed as written. Ralph is a Chief Scout's Commissioner—the highest rank, apart from the Chief himself and his Deputy, that anyone

can hold in the Movement. What is a Gang Show? A Gang Show is an entertainment by Boy Scouts where they can let off steam, but also give value for money to the people who pay to come and see them. We feel that if you do a Gang Show properly, and give them a really good entertainment of honest family fun that is fast and as near the professional standard as you can get to it, then you are going to sell Scouting to a lot of people who otherwise would not go near it. The Gang Show is only one activity of Scouting, however. First and foremost, Scouting claims a boy's loyalty before Gang Shows, just as his loyalty is to his parents before his Scoutmaster.

Who is entitled to use the name? If you call your show a Gang Show then every single line of that Show must have been written by Ralph Reader. All Gang Show material is registered at the Lord Chamberlain's Office in England, and as such cannot be altered in any way by anyone.

The First Gang Show in Canada. When the recent Lakeshore District Gang Show was in production, letters were written to the National Press to the effect that the Lakeshore Show was advertised under false pretences, namely that it was not-the first Canadian Gang Show. We feel that it is time to refute them all with Ralph Reader's own words, spoken in reply to a question put to him by a reporter:

"Gentlemen, if I were to give you a bottle of brown water and put a Coca-Cola label on it, would that make it Coca-Cola? No sir. This, the Lakeshore Gang Show, is the first official Gang Show in Canada. Though many others have used the name in Canada, this is the only one with my approval."

The above remarks are not meant to be taken as a criticism of other Scout shows which I have seen and thoroughly enjoyed, and I am looking forward to meeting all those other Producers at the 2nd Canadian Gang Show, which is being performed in the Royal Alexandra Theatre from the 9th to the 19th of March 1960, by the Scouts and Leaders of the Greater Toronto Region.

Yours in Scouting,
"One of the Red Scarf Boys",
Sam Graham,
Toronto Gang Skipper.



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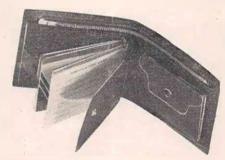
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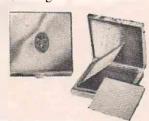




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