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

Dear Jack:

Your letter asking about the Canadian Jamboree arrived at a most opportune time since we had just had a meeting to discuss the basic plans and policy which must be established before starting the detailed planning. You will be happy to know that our new Deputy Chief Scout has accepted the position of Camp Chief of the Jamboree and we are all looking forward to the pleasure of working with him in this important undertaking.

Without detracting from the success of C.J.1 and C.J.2, we want to place the emphasis in the Third Canadian Jamboree on Scouting skills. To that end we are not planning to have large arena displays for the public, but rather smaller displays within the sub-camps. We propose also to set up areas around the camp where boys will be able to participate in a wide variety of activities on a continuing basis under expert guidance.

We also hope to achieve a maximum of fraternization among boys from various parts of the country by having as great a mixture of boys as we can in each of the four sub-camps. We feel that there will be a great advantage to having Troops from the various provinces camping next door to each other.

As in previous Jamborees, we shall

be using charcoal cooking, and since you have already told me that you are hoping to have a good number of your Scouts attend the Jamboree, I would suggest two pre-Jamboree activities which you should start this summer. The first, of course, is to bring as many boys as possible up to First Class standard, and the second is to get your boys started on making charcoal burners and to practise cooking with charcoal. Charcoal cooking is, of course, not backwoods cooking; but where ordinary wood fires are not permitted, it does provide us with the opportunity to teach boys a method of cooking which is becoming quite popular.

Finally, the Jamboree will give every boy attending the opportunity of seeing the Capital of his country. This is certainly not the least important aspect of the Jamboree, and we hope that the visit will engender in the boys who come a sense of pride in their Capital and a sense of pride in being Canadian.

I do hope that you and the family will have a wonderful summer with lots of opportunities for outdoor fun and adventure.

Yours sincerely,

Chief Executive Commissioner.

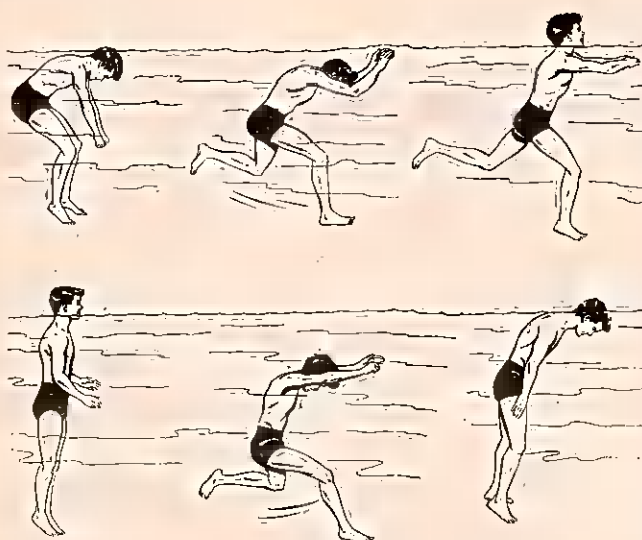
## OUR COVER PICTURE

Plans are well underway for the 3rd Canadian Jamboree which will be held in Ottawa this time next year. Scouts and Scouters will be coming from every part of Canada and we hope that your Group will be represented. Incorporated in our cover design is the Jamboree Badge which was designed from the theme—"Scouting from Sea to Sea".

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# NOT WATERPROOF - BUT DROWNPROOF

More than 1,200 Canadians will drown this year. Here's how you can keep from becoming one of them. The following article is here reproduced with the permission of *The Blue Bell*, a monthly publication of The Bell Telephone Company of Canada. The illustration and the six-step method are published through the courtesy of the Boy Scouts of America.



Every twenty-four hours approximately  $3\frac{1}{2}$  people drown in Canada.

This figure is higher on a per capita basis than the U.S. And with the application of so simple sounding a thing as controlled breathing, the majority of these water tragedies could be prevented.

Ordinarily we don't visualize controlled breathing when we picture a drowning in our minds. We usually think of a desperate person, hopelessly in trouble, frantically thrashing the water surrounding him in an effort to reach safety. Of course this is the exact opposite of what should be done in such a situation. A puppy in the same crisis, reacting on instinct, simply submerges all but his breathing apparatus, and paddles smoothly towards safety.

Too many humans perish because they do not push fear and panic out of their minds in precarious water situations.

Fred R. Lanoue, swimming coach at Georgia Tech in Atlanta, has devised a technique for putting into humans the necessary control that can prevent their drowning. Appropriately, he calls his system drownproofing. He guarantees that anyone who learns and practises this simple method will become drownproof in all but the most extreme situations, such as being unconscious or being pinned under water.

The big difference between drownproofers and or-

dinary swimmers is that drownproofers simply do not get tired regardless of time afloat or distance swum.

His method requires only one main factor—controlled breathing, which produces a cool head. "Improper breathing causes most drownings," Coach Lanoue said. "Eliminate this and you eliminate the majority of drownings."

Thousands of Tech students have learned drownproofing, and Coach Lanoue says that 99% of them could make shore from ten miles out in the ocean—even with one or more limbs disabled. Tech had one man, who came back from World War II, who told of how he floated around in the ocean for five hours with bones broken in one forearm and the other one badly burned. Hundreds of his shipmates drowned before he was picked up. He learned his skill as part of the Tech drownproofing course.

Coach Lanoue has answered over 250,000 requests for information about his technique. These requests come from every corner of the United States, and from foreign countries as well. He said that practically every European country has inquired, with the exception of England and Germany.

Exhaustion overtakes a person very quickly when he tries to keep his head up while struggling in a dangerous water situation. The head weighs about fifteen pounds. Yet Coach Lanoue has trained non-swimmers to stay in deep water for eight hours and to swim more than a mile. Some of them even had their hands and feet tied to simulate injuries.

The secret is that no effort is made to keep the head above water except for the few seconds necessary to breathe. The person simply assumes a position face down in the water, arms and legs dangling freely, with the back of the neck on the surface. This procedure uses no energy and is quite restful. Every few seconds, depending on the individual's degree of relaxation, the person raises his head slowly as he exhales through his nose. When his mouth clears the water, he takes a new breath. At the same time, arms or legs are used to thrust down slowly to maintain buoyancy during breathing.

Lungs full of air, the head is dropped forward into the water and arms or legs thrust downward and backward slowly. The body relaxes as it moves forward under the water.

"People who can't swim a stroke—in the popular conception of fancy or recreational swimming—can perform this feat with an hour's instruction and practice," Coach Lanoue said. "By using it properly, a child can



stay afloat for hours and travel long distances in water."

Twenty out of twenty-four four- and five-year-old children stayed up one hour after about twenty lessons.

Comparatively, recreational swimming uses a great deal of energy. Even a strong swimmer attempting to swim to shore with standard swimming strokes may become tired and need rest. It is unlikely that he could maintain the strokes for more than a few hundred yards.

"Recreational swimming is fine for fun, but it won't help you much if you are in the middle of a big body of water with a swim of several miles ahead of you," Coach Lanoue said. "Strength doesn't count either," he continued. "I've had big football players, in season, who were exhausted after swimming two lengths of the pool at full speed."

Drownproofing is particularly effective for the man or woman in poor physical condition, because the skill doesn't deteriorate with the years. Controlled breathing is the main requisite.

To demonstrate how drownproofing will work even with all four limbs disabled, many Tech students stay in deep water for forty-five minutes with hands tied behind their backs and feet also bound.

In a real emergency, the temperature of the water you are in will, of course, have a bearing on how long you can survive. Cold water exhausts a swimmer quickly. Rough waves, common in the ocean, would have little or no effect on the method's practical application.

"Self-discipline is vital to this technique," Coach Lanoue pointed out. "Anyone can learn it and practise it in a swimming pool. Being familiar with it and knowing from experience that you can do it will go a long way toward eliminating panic when you get into a tough spot."

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2. Get ready to raise face above water surface. Extend your arms forward slowly. Get ready to thrust downward with your arms and legs.

3. Exhale through your nose as you rise to the surface. With mouth above water, inhale. Your shoulders stay under water.

4. Keep your head straight and push downward with your hands. This keeps your head above water, while inhaling slowly. Don't gulp; there's no rush. In rough water, keep the waves at your back, so they don't break in your face.

5. With lungs full, drop head forward and thrust downward and backward with arms and legs.

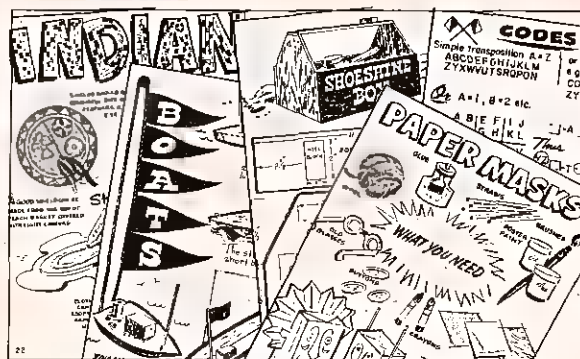
6. Hold your breath. Relax. Let arms and legs dangle while you float forward and upward. Practise the "drown-proof" float until it's second nature—till you can do it without thinking. While learning, hold your breath for three seconds. After you've mastered this floating technique you'll be able to hold your breath for as long as ten seconds as you loaf in the water. Holding your breath for longer than ten seconds will tire you. The purpose of this float is rest, not exercise.

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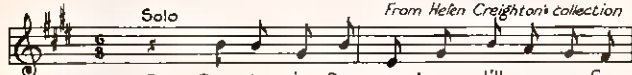
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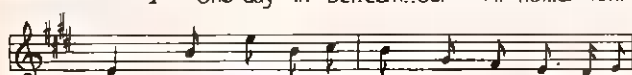
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## On Citadel Hill

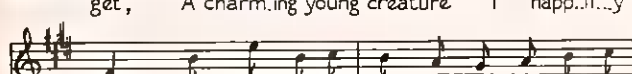
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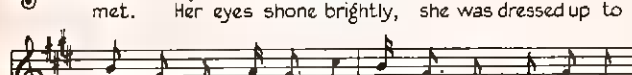
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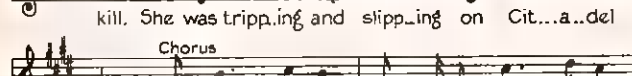
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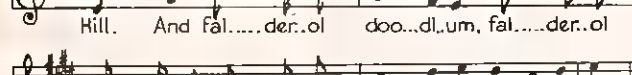


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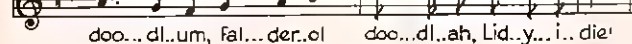


*Chorus*

Hill. And fal...der...ol doo...dl...um, fal...der...ol



doo...dl...um, fal...der...ol doo...dl...ah, Lid...y...i...die!



- 2 I says, "My fair creature, please me excuse!"  
To accept my arm she did not refuse.  
Her arm locked in mine, I sure felt love's thrill,  
As we walked off together on Citadel Hill. . .
- 3 The very next day, to the church we did go.  
The people all whispered, as well you may know.  
The priest said, "Will you wed?" Says I, "That we will!"  
So we kissed and were hitched on Citadel Hill. . .
- 4 Now we are married, and of children have three.  
Me and the Missus can never agree.  
She called one Bridget, the other one Bill,  
Says I, "The runt's name shall be Citadel Hill". . .
- 5 Come, all you young fellows, take warning from me;  
If ever in need of a wife you may be,  
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## "I'VE NEVER BEEN TAUGHT"

By B. H. MORTLOCK

Executive Commissioner (Relationships), Canadian Headquarters

"On my honour, I promise to do my duty to God. . ."

"It is expected that every member shall belong to a religious denomination and faithfully carry out his religious duties."

The spiritual aspect of Scouting is built upon these two sentences—the first from the Scout Promise, the second from Policy, Organization and Rules for Canada.

These two phrases make it incumbent upon every Scouter to fulfil his personal responsibilities in helping a boy to do his Duty to God, and encouraging him to affiliate with a denomination. The Boy Scouts Association is not concerned with what religion a boy follows, but that he does follow one.

Recently we had an opportunity to look over some application forms in which the Scout applicants were asked what their religious persuasion was and did they attend church regularly.

One boy named his denomination but recorded that he did not attend church regularly and added, very honestly we must admit, the reason: "my mother had a row with the preacher".

Another boy named no faith and gave as the reason he did not attend church: "I have never been taught to".

Both these boys were First Class Scouts, and yet one wonders how first class a Scout can be if the "Duty to God" part of his Promise means nothing to him.

Scouters have a definite rôle to play in examples such as those cited. Either "Duty to God" means something, or the whole Scout Promise means nothing, because one cannot pick and choose what part of it shall be observed and what not. A Scout has as much right to reject his Promise to help others at all times, his obedience to the Law or his duty to the Queen, if he has a right to reject Duty to God. And surely no Scout can call himself truly First Class if he rejects or holds reservations about any part of the Promise. The Promise is the keystone of the arch of character which Scouting seeks to build, and without it Scouting has little to offer other than a programme of skills, which might or might not produce character.

As pointed out in the pamphlet "The Religious Obligations of Scouters", a Scouter's first responsibility in this field is to set the right example himself, and then to do everything he can to encourage the boy to follow that example.

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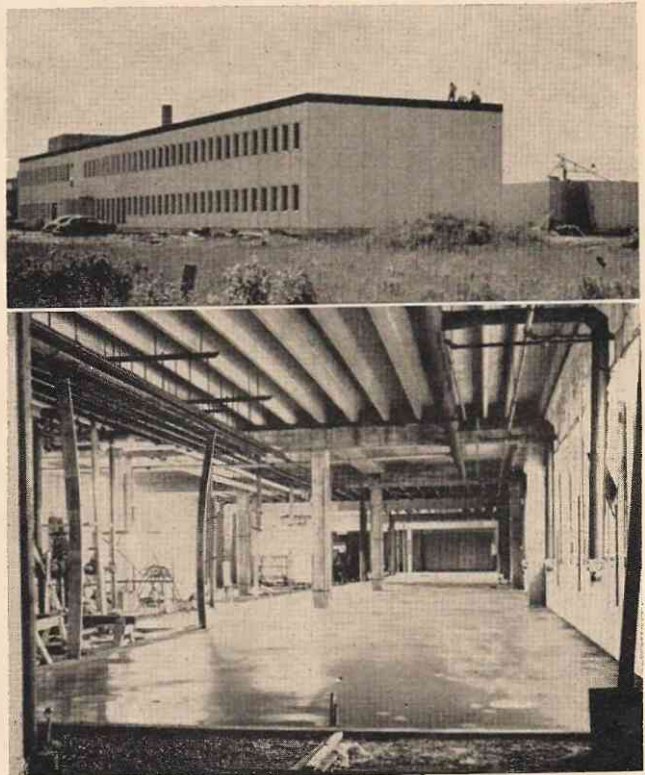


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Hebrew	—	—	—	2	3	9	15	3	1	2	1	—	35	36	+ 1
Latter Day Saints	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	—	—	42	8	—	55	59	+ 4
Lutheran	—	—	—	1	—	—	21	10	7	17	8	—	60	64	+ 4
Pentecostal	—	—	—	—	—	1	16	—	—	1	3	—	18	21	+ 3
Presbyterian	—	1	2	14	4	11	141	14	7	13	16	—	206	223	+ 17
Roman Catholic and K. of C.	—	16	5	37	46	28	204	22	16	44	42	399	814	859	+ 45
Salvation Army	—	15	—	4	3	4	51	6	—	6	13	—	100	102	+ 2
United Church	—	16	4	59	29	28	381	68	41	63	100	—	747	789	+ 42
Joint Churches	—	—	—	6	—	—	8	2	4	3	—	—	18	23	+ 5
Others	—	5	—	3	2	1	2	—	—	10	6	—	21	29	+ 8
<b>TOTALS</b>	—	65	16	199	132	128	1261	188	102	261	310	399	2885	3061	+176
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Indian Schools	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	3	1	—	15	9	— 6
University	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	2	+ 1
<b>TOTALS</b>	—	1	2	16	12	14	91	15	24	40	83	—	282	298	+ 16
<b>SERVICE CLUBS &amp; CIVIC GROUPS</b>															
Rotary	—	—	—	1	4	1	32	1	3	3	4	—	46	49	+ 3
Lions	—	3	1	1	—	1	63	4	4	16	12	—	97	105	+ 8
Optimist	—	—	—	—	—	2	17	—	—	4	—	—	25	23	— 2
Kiwanis	—	—	—	2	1	—	19	1	3	—	2	—	23	28	+ 5
Kinsmen	—	2	—	4	1	—	16	4	1	8	13	—	39	49	+ 10
Other Service Clubs	—	—	—	—	1	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	22	75	+ 15
Canadian Legion	—	2	3	6	8	2	51	23	16	21	36	—	148	168	+ 20
I.O.O.F.	—	—	—	2	—	—	3	1	2	3	2	—	10	13	+ 3
Elks	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	4	9	10	4	—	27	28	+ 1
Bd. of Trade & C. of C.	—	—	—	1	2	—	11	3	6	7	4	—	34	34	—
Women's Institutes	—	—	4	3	7	—	9	3	1	2	10	—	33	39	+ 6
Other Civic Groups	—	—	4	—	1	2	17	3	8	20	80	—	149	135	— 16
<b>TOTALS</b>	—	7	12	20	26	8	244	47	53	94	167	—	653	678	+ 25
<b>HANDICAPPED GROUPS</b>															
Blind	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—
Deaf	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	— 1
Crippled	—	—	—	—	3	—	4	2	1	1	5	—	16	16	—
Mentally Retarded	—	—	—	1	—	—	7	1	2	1	2	—	11	14	+ 3
<b>TOTALS</b>	—	—	—	3	3	—	13	3	3	2	7	—	32	*34	+ 2
<b>ARMED SERVICES</b>															
Navy	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	5	5	—
Army	3	—	—	1	3	4	8	4	—	4	1	—	24	28	+ 4
R.C.A.F.	7	2	1	1	3	10	14	2	2	6	4	—	48	52	+ 4
Joint Services	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	4	2	— 2
<b>TOTALS</b>	10	2	1	6	6	14	22	7	2	10	7	—	81	87	+ 6
<b>COMMUNITY GROUPS (TOTALS)</b>	—	15	—	41	35	120	338	70	49	81	142	—	865	891	+ 26
<b>TOTALS 1958</b>	10	86	30	269	208	226	1892	321	233	466	664	393	4798	—	—
<b>TOTALS 1959</b>	10	90	31	285	214	284	1969	327	233	488	716	399	—	5046	—
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	<u>\$2,802.92</u>

## EXPENDITURES

January, 1959: Provincial Council for British Columbia (*).....	\$ 75.00	
March, 1959 Provincial Council for Quebec (St. Oswald's Scout Group — loss by fire).....	100.00	
April, 1959 Replacing equipment lost by fire, Harold Hatcher, North Sydney, N.S.....	110.00	285.00
Credit Balance as at 31st December, 1959.....		<u>\$2,517.92</u>

March 2, 1960.

- (\*) Contribution to assist 1st Fort Fraser Troop to raise railway fare to California for Scouter Art Mathews for the purpose of taking a course to secure a "Seeing-Eye" dog.

## WARRANTS

There were 401 Warrants of Appointment as Scouters issued during 1959.

CUB AND SCOUT MEMBERSHIPS AS A PER CENT OF THE ELIGIBLE BOY  
POPULATION 8 TO 17 YEARS, FOR CANADA, 1951-1959

Year	CUBS		SCOUTS		TOTAL	
	Cub Potential	Per cent Actual Members	Scout Potential	Per cent Actual Members	Total Potential 8 to 17 Years	Per cent Actual Members
1951	511,100	13.8	653,600	6.7	1,164,700	9.8
1952	537,800	15.2	668,100	7.3	1,205,900	10.8
1953	564,200	15.8	687,700	7.6	1,251,900	11.3
1954	589,200	16.7	713,500	8.0	1,302,700	12.0
1955	623,000	17.9	745,300	8.5	1,368,300	12.8
1956	658,300	19.0	779,400	8.7	1,437,700	13.4
1957	686,200	19.8	815,700	9.0	1,501,900	13.9
1958	623,300	23.0	939,500	8.9	1,562,800	14.5
1959	630,400	23.8	990,700	9.4	1,621,100	15.0

## ANALYSIS OF GROUPS AND SECTIONS

	Overseas		Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	La Fed.	Total 1959	Total 1958
	Army	R.C.A.F.													
GROUPS	3	7	90	31	285	214	284	1,960	327	233	488	716	399	5,046	4,781
PACKS	10	18	59	34	285	183	373	2,437	411	241	572	871	236	5,730	5,377
TROOPS	7	13	75	23	240	183	285	1,835	263	184	425	579	315	4,427	4,089
CREWS	—	1	4	1	5	19	30	270	11	3	18	34	58	454	423



## CAMPING FIGURES

Province	Registered Camps		Total Boys in Camp		Total Camper Days	
	1959	1958	1959	1958	1959	1958
NFLD.	46	53	1,100	1,325	9,196	12,600
P.E.I.	39	23	863	650	4,605	3,426
N.S.	79	66	1,301	2,180	15,849	16,186
N.B.	89	45	2,413	2,887	20,512	20,246
QUE.	110	62	6,190	3,693	40,078	32,088
ONT.	514	516	58,793	49,671	193,904	184,709
MAN. & N.W. ONT.	79	59	1,985	1,594	10,049	11,612
SASK.	55	56	1,404	1,783	10,243	10,809
ALTA. & N.W.T.	180	118	4,024	3,964	25,434	25,091
B.C. & YUKON	122	108	3,291	2,471	18,088	18,387
LA FÉDÉRATION	693	680	13,701	13,432	141,311	138,541
TOTALS	2,006	1,786	95,065	83,650	489,269	473,695

## STATEMENT OF CENSUS AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1959

Province	Wolf Cubs	Boy Scouts	Lone Scouts	Sea Scouts	Rover Scouts	Rover Sea Scouts	Grand Total Boy Members	Adult Leaders	Total Dec. 31 1959	Total Dec. 31 1958
OVERSEAS ARMY	293	211	—	—	—	—	504	53	557	548
AIR FORCE	545	356	—	—	6	—	907	104	1,011	918
NFLD.	1,515	1,848	63	12	46	—	3,484	353	3,837	3,639
P.E.I.	790	466	—	—	11	—	1,267	160	1,427	1,377
N.S.	6,488	4,886	75	36	26	—	11,511	1,157	12,668	11,560
N.B.	5,682	4,157	10	62	185	—	10,096	1,025	11,121	10,044
QUE.	10,148	5,981	23	228	190	23	16,593	1,677	18,270	14,485
ONT.	67,649	38,223	—	1,401	1,960	129	109,362	11,367	120,729	115,429
MAN.	10,011	4,955	42	82	83	11	15,184	1,546	16,730	16,694
SASK.	6,436	3,366	155	3	19	—	9,979	993	10,972	9,619
ALTA.	15,082	8,117	32	39	111	5	23,386	2,502	25,888	23,475
B.C.	19,876	9,638	—	350	259	12	30,135	3,559	33,694	30,955
LA FÉDÉRATION	5,606	8,496	—	—	939	—	15,041	2,663	17,704	17,250
TOTAL DEC. 31/59	150,121	90,700	400	2,213	3,835	180	247,449	27,159	274,608	
TOTAL DEC. 31/58	143,273	81,575	405	2,023	3,651	157	231,084	24,909		255,993
INCREASE	6,848	9,125		190	184	23	16,365	2,250	18,615	
DECREASE				5						
PERCENTAGE	4.78	11.19	1.23	9.39	5.04	14.65	7.08	9.03	7.27	

## EXTRACTS FROM THE TRANS-CANADA REPORTS



### NEWFOUNDLAND

#### SPECIAL PROJECTS

Throughout the Province members of the Movement turned out in force to greet Her Majesty the Queen and Prince Philip during the Royal Tour last summer. All duties assigned and expected of the Association were carried out smartly and creditably.

Scouts and Leaders of the 1st Botwood Troop assisted the R.C.M.P. and the Red Cross in the evacuation of a complete village on the north-east coast which had been threatened by a serious forest fire last summer.



### PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

#### SPECIAL PROJECTS

A Provincial Athlete's Day was held in September in co-operation with the Girl Guides Association with an excellent turn-out.

Boy Scouts, Wolf Cubs and Leaders turned out on three occasions for the visit of Her Majesty and fifty Scouts formed a special Honour Guard at Government House. Three Queen's Scouts received Queen's Scouts certificates from Her Majesty.

The Annual Scouter-Guider Ball, held in Charlottetown, proved to be very popular with a record attendance.



### NOVA SCOTIA

#### SPECIAL PROJECTS

On the occasion of the Queen's visit Scouts and Cubs were given favourable places from which to see Her Majesty and Prince Philip.

A Bushranger's Course was held for older Scouts for the second year in succession. A maximum registration

of 32 applications was accepted. The training featured lightweight camping.

Other special activities included a District operation "Exercise Lost" demonstrating mobilization; skating meets; a winter camporee with 15 Patrols ending a week-end camp in a raging blizzard and numerous District Rallies.

Good turns were many and varied. An outdoor Christmas tree under which Cubs and Scouts placed gifts later presented to needy children; an egg blitz for needy families; parties given by Scout Groups at the Home for Coloured Children and the Indian School at Shubenacadie; a collection of jams and jellies on Jam and Jelly Day for Hospital Ladies' Auxiliaries in two towns; one District provided Service Scouts for the annual "Gathering of the Clans" at Pugwash.

Several Districts carried out tree planting with one District setting out Christmas feeding trees for birds.

#### INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

International contacts included visits from six Explorer Scouts from Rhode Island, 24 Scouts and 4 Leaders from Bar Harbour and a visit by a Nova Scotia Troop to an Air Force Base in Maine for an international Camporee and swim meet.



### NEW BRUNSWICK

#### SPECIAL PROJECTS

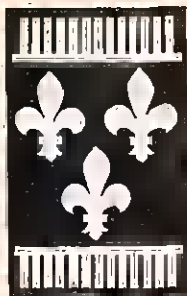
Our Provincial Government made it possible this year for 112 Queen's Scouts to receive their recognition certificates from the hand of Her Majesty. She presented each certificate personally, shaking hands with each Scout and giving him a warm smile. At the various centres where Her Majesty visited, Scouts and Cubs were given a prominent part in the ceremonies. At our Provincial Annual Meeting, Bushman's Thong certificates were presented by the Provincial Commissioner to Scouts. In two Districts, Bike-o-Ramas were conducted teaching bicycle safety to boys and girls. Christmas Toy Shops were operated in many of our Scouting Districts.

On September 26th and 27th a wide game called "Operation Escape" was held in the Sussex area. Thirty-five teams of Scouts and Leaders making a total of 150 took part in this operation which consisted of various items of an adventurous nature that had to be completed in a given time. The Silver Arrowhead Alumni formed the nucleus of the planning group for this annual event.

#### INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

Dr. Eli Boyaner acted as Contingent Leader for the 10th World Jamboree. Queen's Scout Roderick O'Connell served on the staff of a Boy Scout camp in Pennsylvania and a group of Scouts from the Silver Arrowhead Alumni visited the U.S. Air Station at Brunswick, Maine, in May.





## QUEBEC

### SPECIAL PROJECTS

More than a thousand Scouts and Scouters helped line parts of the route of Her Majesty the Queen and Prince Philip in Montreal on June 26th. Others served when the St. Lawrence Seaway was formally opened. Two Queen's Scouts attended on invitation the lunch tendered the Queen and Prince Philip by the City of Montreal held in the Sheraton-Mt. Royal Hotel.

Conservation projects were held at Lovering Lake, the Sherbrooke district camp site, at Spooner Pond camp site in the St. Francis Valley district, and at Scout Camp Tamaracouta and Sea Scout base, S.S.S. Venture.

Scouts and Cubs of the province were again asked to defray the cost of an x-ray camera for the Montreal Children's Hospital costing some \$200.00, and again the fund was over-subscribed.

Good turns ranged from helping to put out a ground fire to the singing of carols in a D.V.A. hospital and an old folks' home. Toys were collected in great numbers in some districts, some to be repaired and distributed, others to be handed over to organizations seeking such material for repair at Christmas time. The work of our toy repair shop in Headquarters building has decreased, but we get a call now and again for toys for the Far North; and many local institutions were assisted.

For several years now, our annual financial campaign has been launched at a Dawn Patrol Breakfast held at 8 a.m. on the opening day. We have enjoyed a good turn-out of workers and officials at all of these, and our feature attraction has included Scouting families.

### INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

Troops in several districts either attended camporees across the International border or visited American Troops and Packs. Scouts of Quebec District entertained brother Scouts from North Carolina.

Overseas visitors to Provincial headquarters included Captain Edward Hale, general secretary of The Royal Life Saving Society in Britain; Dr. R. Alieza, member of the Executive Board of the Boy Scouts of the Philippines; J. O. Day, A.D.C. for Hemel-Hempstead, England; Ian Fraser, general secretary of the Boy Scouts Association, Union of South Africa; and A. J. Crowther, Dominion Secretary, Boy Scouts of New Zealand.



## ONTARIO

### SPECIAL PROJECTS

Conservation continues to be practised by the Scouting Groups throughout the province.

Forestry Camps were held in Green Acres, Niagara, and Quinte Regions while many other Districts and Groups co-operated with local municipal and conservation authorities in individual projects.

Among these projects was the distribution of feed for pheasants in the Windsor and Essex area, and the restoration of a 139-year-old log school house by the Rovers of North Waterloo District.

Approximately 600 entries were submitted to a hobby show sponsored by the York Summit District and in Oakville the Wolf Cubs built over 500 bird houses in a competition staged in that District.

Whitby District Council held an Open House week during which the local newspaper ran a special supplement on Scouting and a special endeavour was made to introduce to the general public the work of the Movement.

In St. Catharines the Wolf Cubs going up into Scouting were invited to attend a week-end at the Scout Camp where they were introduced to many Scouting practices.

Group and individual Good Turns continue to be carried out by members of the Movement. To mention a few, one District has undertaken to provide uniforms and equipment for a Group in an Indian Mission in the Yukon; another Group undertook the responsibility of ground maintenance for a church during the sickness of the caretaker; Scouts in another District adopted an elderly and destitute lady as their grandmother and visited her continuously until her death, at which time they made full arrangements for her funeral; another District is providing Scouts to undertake library service for persons unable to visit the local public library; toy shops and various other toy projects have also been conducted throughout the Province.

### INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

During the year we were pleased to receive visits from Mr. I. D. Fraser, General Secretary of the Boy Scouts Association for the Union of South Africa and the Right Honourable Alhaji Umaru Gwandu, President of the North Nigerian Council of the Boy Scouts Association.

There were many exchange visits between Canadian and American Groups, particularly at the border points.



## MANITOBA and N.W. ONTARIO

### SPECIAL PROJECTS

The visit of the Queen and Prince Philip was a special highlight in which our Cubs and Scouts participated in all the special events at the Lakehead, N.W. Ontario and in Virden, Brandon, Portage la Prairie and Winnipeg.

Our Annual Provincial Dinner-Dance held in March was a successful venture. The Rev. C. Earle Gordon was the guest speaker.

## INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

Three U.S. Scout units visited this Council from Duluth, Chicago and Grand Forks. Fort Frances Scout Band visited Minneapolis Scout Council. The Annual Camporee held in the International Peace Gardens with Brandon District Council as hosts attracted over 1,000 Scouts and Leaders.



## SASKATCHEWAN

## SPECIAL PROJECTS

Scouting was well represented at all points of the province visited by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth on her Canadian tour. At five points, forty-three Queen's Scouts were presented with their Certificates by Her Majesty. The Premier, Hon. T. C. Douglas was presented with an Honorary Queen's Scout Certificate at the Regina District Annual Meeting.

The 40th Gilwell Reunion was held at St. Vital Memorial Campsite with 100 attending. Brandon's Annual Ice Stampede was well attended and proved to be a successful evening for the boys.

The Transcona Scout Hall, rebuilt after loss by fire in 1958 was officially opened. The Premier, Members of the Legislative Assembly and the Provincial President officiated.

## INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

In keeping with the international relationships with the United States, camping trips and return camping trips were made between the two countries. Considerable information and material was mailed in reply to inquiries from Cub Scout Dens pertaining to Canada.

ALBERTA and  
NORTH-WEST  
TERRITORIES

## SPECIAL PROJECTS

The major event of the year was the 3rd Canadian Rover Moot at Hillsdale, Banff National Park, at the end of August, for which our Council was host. Nearly 500 Rovers attended.

Scouts and Cubs were able to participate in the welcome to Her Majesty the Queen at Calgary, Banff, Edmonton and Wainwright, occupying prominent places along the route.

We were also pleased to welcome the Executive Committee of the Canadian General Council to Calgary in February.

## INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

We were pleased to welcome Eagle Scout James Fuchigami, of Hawaii, as part of the World Aloha Scout Exchange, while Queen's Scout Barry Lewis, of Lethbridge, visited the Scouts in Hawaii.

Scouts and Cubs from Lethbridge and Medicine Hat exchanged visits with Great Falls and Havre, Montana.

A highlight for Edmonton was a visit by the "Koshare Indians," a Troop of Scouts from Pueblo, Colorado, who gave a public display of Indian Dancing in connection with the 25th anniversary celebrations of a local radio station.

Several American Scout units toured the National Parks and were assisted by the local Troops.

BRITISH COLUMBIA  
and YUKON

## SPECIAL PROJECTS

Wherever Her Majesty the Queen and Prince Philip visited, Cubs, Scouts and Rovers were in evidence. In some centres service jobs were undertaken and Scouts formed the Guard of Honour to the Royal visitors also. Fifty First Class Scouts and five Scouters representing all Sections of Scouting from various parts of the province attended the Royal Garden Party at Government House in Victoria.

The Metropolitan Vancouver Scout House opened in September 1959. The total cost for land, building and furnishings was raised by a special appeal. The response reflected the high regard in which the Movement is held in the Vancouver area.

Through the generosity of Provincial Council member, Mr. D. McColl, and the Tahsis Co., in collaboration with the British Columbia Provincial Museum, a 60-foot Totem Pole has been carved by Chief Mungo Martin, for the new Canadian Headquarters Building in Ottawa. Also contributing were Timber Preservers of New Westminster, and the Island Tug and Barge Co. of Vancouver.

## INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

A number of Packs and Troops engaged in across-the-border visits for activities with Cubs and Scouts in the United States. Largest formal effort was the International Camporee between Scouts of the Okanagan Valley in British Columbia and the Wenatchee Valley in the State of Washington.

Queen's Scout William Brain of the Burnaby Mountain District was selected to visit Hawaii as a representative of Canadian Scouting in the World Aloha Scout Exchange. In turn Hawaiian Scout Jim Fuchigami of Lanai City, toured Alberta and British Columbia.

Nine British Columbia Scouts were selected for the Canadian Contingent to the 10th World Scout Jamboree. The Contingent assembled in Vancouver for departure by air and were accorded hospitality, entertainment and billeting by the Metropolitan Vancouver Region and Districts in Burnaby. The Consul of the Philippines acted as host at a dinner given the Contingent, before departure.





## OVERSEAS GROUPS

There are ten Canadian Scout Groups consisting of 30 Packs, 21 Troops and 2 Crews with the Canadian

Armed Forces in Europe. The Red Patch Groups, sponsored by the Canadian Army, form a District centred at Soest, in Germany and the Maple Leaf Groups, sponsored by the Royal Canadian Air Force, form a District centred at Metz, France. The latter is probably unique since its Groups are dispersed in three countries—France, Germany and Sardinia.

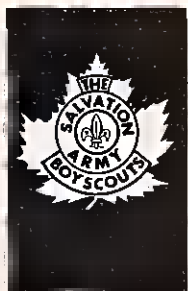
Our Scouts take advantage of the proximity of European Scouts and have many joint activities with them. In the summer at the invitation of The Netherlands Boy Scouts, the Red Patch Scouts camped in Holland with Dutch Scouts, while the Maple Leaf Scouts attended a Native Camp in Denmark.

Mr. Charles Stafford, Assistant Executive Commissioner, Training, visited the Overseas Districts in December to discuss establishing better lines of communications with the parent body in Canada and a closer liaison between the two Districts with a view of providing even better service to Leaders and boys.

The Maple Leaf Rovers have volunteered to adopt the Canadian Room in the Rover Chalet at Kandersteg and to continue with its furnishing and decoration.

Several Scouters from both Districts attended Part II Wood Badge Courses at Gilwell Park in England while Basic Training Courses were conducted for Pack and Troop Sections in each District.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to The Boy Scouts Association for their co-operation and the assistance rendered by their Overseas Field Commissioner.



## THE SALVATION ARMY

### SPECIAL PROJECTS

The visit of Her Majesty the Queen brought Salvation Army Scouts and Cubs to the fore, particularly in connection with Her Majesty's visit to the Meighen Lodge in Toronto where the Scouts and Cubs played an important role.

### INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

Contacts are maintained through various channels with overseas Salvation Army Groups. The Scout Troop and Cub Pack at the Salvation Army's Institute for the Blind in Jamaica are remembered by a number of Salvation Army Troops and Packs in Canada in a practical way.



## LA FÉDÉRATION DES SCOUTS CATHOLIQUES DE LA PROVINCE DE QUÉBEC

### CONFÉRENCES ET ACTIVITÉS SPÉCIALES

Les 18<sup>e</sup> Journées Fédérales tenues annuellement à la colonie de vacances Les Grèves près de Sorel, ont permis à plus de 700 chefs, cheftaines et aumôniers de tous rangs, d'étudier au cours d'une fin de semaine, le sujet suivant: « Fraternité dans la Joie », dont les exposés, sessions d'études et rapports, ont été colligés dans un numéro spécial de nos revues.

Ces Journées Fédérales ont marqué le début des fêtes qui souligneront le 25<sup>e</sup> anniversaire de la signature de l'Accord entre feu le Cardinal Villeneuve et le Conseil Général du Scoutisme Canadien le 10 avril 1935. Cet Accord contresigné par Baden-Powell, a donné naissance à la Fédération dans le Québec.

L'Assemblée annuelle groupant tous les dirigeants fédéraux et diocésains, s'est tenue à Joliette au début de novembre, avec une assistance de 125 délégués.

Le pèlerinage annuel de la Fédération au sanctuaire de Notre-Dame-du-Cap en mai, a groupé 500 participants dont une centaine d'autres mouvements de jeunesse. Cette activité dura deux jours et les pèlerins procédèrent à une marche entrecoupée de prières, méditations, palabres, se terminant par la Messe.

La Conférence Internationale du Scoutisme Catholique s'est tenue en Suisse à Lugano. La Fédération a délégué M. l'abbé Ambroise Lafortune qui a pris part à ces assises importantes portant sur La Route.

La Badge «Annapurna» pour souligner les exploits réalisés en équipe et demandant un effort physique réel, certains risques et un rapport approprié, a été méritée par 26 campeurs d'une même troupe qui ont vécu 6 jours en forêt avec un bagage minimum, se nourrissant de chasse et pêche et couchant sous des abris fabriqués par eux-mêmes.

La Badge «Plume d'Or» pour souligner les efforts artistiques et littéraires des garçons et chefs, a été méritée par 4 d'entre eux d'après le verdict d'un jury qui a eu à se prononcer sur plusieurs envois.

Dans le but de stimuler les scouts et les chefs de troupe à la pratique d'un Scoutisme vivant et reconnaître leurs efforts, un concours, a été lancé à travers la Fédération pour lancer particulièrement les «Patrouilles d'Estoc» qui doivent rencontrer des exigences bien précises pour se qualifier. Un premier résultat: 17 patrouilles et une troupe ont mérité cet honneur.

Le Rover Moot tenu à Banff en août dernier a été l'occasion pour 38 de nos routiers de découvrir l'Ouest canadien et de vivre un camp mémorable. Chacun est revenu plus riche de cette expérience qui leur a permis du vivre côte à côte avec des routiers de langue anglaise. C'est à la suite du rapport enthousiaste des chefs du contingent que la Fédération a demandé à organiser le prochain Rover Moot en 1962.

# SCOUTING Digest



On the occasion of the 25th anniversary of La Fédération des Scouts Catholiques de la Province de Québec, 25 roses were presented to M. J. Olier Renaud, president of La Fédération. P.L. Donald Dube (left) and T.L. Roy Ridlington, both of the General Wolfe Troop, made the presentation on behalf of The Boy Scouts Association of Quebec. The Governor General, in his capacity as Chief Scout, was guest of honour at a banquet held in the Chateau Frontenac, Quebec City.

(Photo by Le Nouvelliste)



The St. Thomas More Cub Pack are obviously pleased with their new colours, which were presented to them by the Stamford (Ont.) Police Association. Left to right, front row: Ken Sawlnier, Anthony Mitchell, Joseph Blackburn, Richard Ciupa; back row: Constable Gerald Dagg, Asst. C.M. Wm. Burke, C.M. Ted Corkery, Asst. C.M. Leslie Blackburn, Constable Thomas Sharkey.

## FIRST AID

S.M. Kirk Everett of Newmarket, Ont., has drawn to our attention a free service of the St. John Ambulance Association and available from coast to coast, except in Prince Edward Island.

Through this service, Scout Groups may conduct a First Aid Course for their members without charge. Applications should be made to the Provincial Command of St. John Ambulance in Vancouver, Victoria, Edmonton, Regina, Winnipeg, Toronto, Montreal, Saint John, Halifax, or St. John's, for outlines of the course, complete with texts and bandages for Junior and Senior courses.

Any leaders or parents who have a Senior St. John Ambulance award, not more than five years old, may act as Instructors on this course.

Courses are provided as follows: Junior Course, to age 15; Senior Course, age 16 and over.

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## 3rd JAMBOREE-ON-THE-AIR

The Boy Scouts International Bureau again plan a Jamboree-on-the-Air. This year's short wave meeting of Scouts will take place between midnight on Friday, October 21st to midnight, Sunday, October 23rd, G.M.T.

Expectations are high for this year's Jamboree-on-the-Air in view of the interest which has continued to grow all over the world after the last two events. Great care has been taken so that the event will be held on a week-end which is free from large international "ham" events.

Stations may operate on any amateur wave band and with any equipment which is consistent with licence requirements. Amateurs taking part should have a past or present association with the Scout Movement or operate on behalf of a local Scout unit. One may join the event simply by calling "CQ JAMBOREE".

Jamboree-on-the-Air is not a contest and there are no prizes. It is organized with the sole purpose of promoting Scout contacts, and it is, of course, realized that it will include valuable signalling training for boys who take part.

Scout units not having their own transmitting equipment should contact the nearest radio amateur society, as its members very probably will be pleased to help, e.g., by operating a station, or by giving advice. Amateurs must, of course, strictly observe their licence regulations.

The Boy Scouts International Bureau will operate from a station in Ottawa, call sign VE 3 JAM, on any of the following approximate frequencies:

10 M - 28,450 KC	40 M - 7,100 KC
15 M - 21,250 KC	80 M - 3,750 KC
20 M - 14,175 KC	

Begin planning for the 3rd Jamboree-on-the-Air now.



### WELCOME TO SPRING

For the past few years, the 1st Vermilion (Alta.) Wolf Cub Pack, under the leadership of C.M. Edna Battorff, have been conducting an interesting May Basket Good Turn project, by bringing a touch of spring to those who are unable to get outdoors.

During the first year, the Pack made, filled and distributed twenty baskets to elderly shut-ins. This year the mothers helped to make seventy-five baskets out of empty boxes, covered with crepe paper. These baskets were then filled with homemade candy, cakes, and cookies, topped with bouquets of spring flowers (e.g., pussy willows, buttercups, crocuses).

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### BOY SCOUTS INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

The present Editor of *World Scouting*, Mr. Lars-Erik Lingstrom, is resigning his appointment at the end of this year, on the expiry of his contract. The Boy Scouts International Bureau is therefore seeking a successor.

The requirements are as follows:

1. Previous experience in the editorial field and ability to prepare, edit and produce the magazine *World Scouting*.
2. Fluent knowledge of English and French. Additional languages, e.g., German and Spanish, would be a great asset.
3. Good Scout background and experience.
4. Age between 30-35 years.

The successful candidate would be appointed for a minimum period of three years and his contract would be extended, subject to mutual agreement, on the expiry of this period.

In addition to his work as Editor of the magazine he would be required to act as Executive Commissioner for Publications and Public Relations.

The salary offered would be commensurate with his abilities, but would be comparable with that paid for similar work in the business world. He would be given three weeks paid leave per annum. He would be expected to commence his duties in Ottawa not later than January 1st, 1961.

Apply through Administration Department, Canadian Headquarters, The Boy Scouts Association, 306 Metcalfe Street, Ottawa 4, Ontario.

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### RECEPTION CAMP, PARIS, FRANCE

Scouts planning to travel in France this summer might care to take advantage of the annual reception camp run by the Scoutisme Francais in Paris, between July 11th and August 30th. Everyone is free to spend his time as he wishes.

Details of costs, accommodation, regulations, etc., may be obtained by writing the Administration Department, 306 Metcalfe St., Ottawa 4, Ont.



In his capacity as Chief Scout, Governor General Georges P. Vanier, during his stay at Government House in Victoria, B.C., presented British Columbia's Lieutenant-Governor Frank Ross with the Silver Wolf, Canadian Scouting's highest award for services of an exceptional character by a Canadian resident.

The Lieutenant-Governor's citation reads, in part, "The Honourable Frank Ross, as Honorary Patron in British Columbia, has personally given valued support to and personal participation in Scouting throughout the Province during the whole of his term of office, and in an exceptionally busy regime. Ably and graciously supported by Mrs. Ross, he has encouraged and visited Scouting on all levels in every way possible and brought public notice and approval to the Movement on many occasions. His personal contact with boys and leaders has been warm, interested, and knowledgeable, and his sincerity in so doing has been manifest to all."

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### SEEING STARS?

Are any of your boys working towards their Starman Badge? They might like to write to Mr. D. R. P. Coats, 70 Cunnington Ave., St. Vital, Winnipeg 8, Man., for information on his "Stellapix" game.

Mr. Coats has originated a set of playing cards designed to teach recognition of constellations, pronunciation of these constellations and other special features associated with them. Mr. Coats, who is on the Manitoba and N.W. Ontario Provincial Council, has for many years served as examiner for the Starman Badge.

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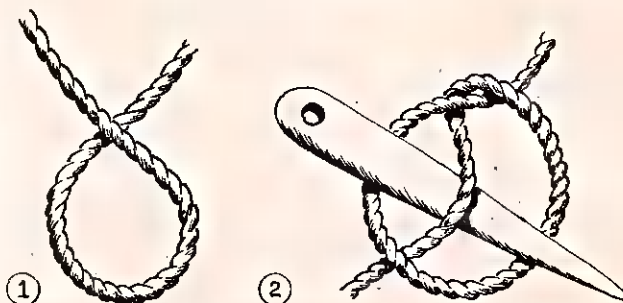
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Dear Sir:

I read with great interest your issues of both *The Junior Leader* and *The Scout Leader*. They have a lot of valuable information and are highly interesting. Especially enlightening are your letters to the Editor.

The lengthy letter by F. M. Waller, D.C., Halifax, N.S., was very interesting and highly controversial.

I, too, feel that the Senior Patrol does serve a purpose. We have used it in our Troop since the end of last year, and have had great success with it. It gives the older boy that sense of responsibility which he needs. He is able to further his Scouting by re-hashing all that he has learned in order to pass it on to the younger boys in the Troop. This older Patrol also fills the gap that plagues so many Scoutmasters—able assistants. I also feel that this sense of responsibility and further training in his studies, enables this same boy, when he is ready to enter into Rovering, to be a better Rover Scout than he might have been without this chance of re-studying his tests and badge work.

Mr. Waller is right—I cannot interpret P.O. & R. to allow the wearing of slacks as part of the uniform. Admittedly, there will be times when slacks are necessary, such as in winter camping, areas where poison plants forbid shorts, as a health precaution, and areas where black flies and mosquitoes might be prevalent at the time; but these are the only times that I can see slacks being allowed.

As Mr. Waller says, "The Troop programme needs an element of high adventure for the older boy". This is true, but in Canada, with so much open area within reach of us all, there is no reason why this cannot be attained. If the Scoutmaster can get the Court of Honour working efficiently, along with the Patrol System, the boys themselves will start to plan outings and activities that will maintain their interest. This is a part of long-range planning, though, and not one of those things that can be set aside until it happens. The trouble with most of us on this problem is that we forget to look that four years into the future when we get our young recruits. We forget that they will grow up, and when they grow up, we have

to be ready. It is a large and difficult order, but one that is part of the job of the Scoutmaster and the Group Committee.

There is one thing in Mr. Waller's remarks that throws me completely, though. "We could achieve the same result by accepting a less demanding Promise and Law". How can any of us in a Christian country even consider such a remark? What is so hard and demanding about the Scout Law and Promise? After all, it is just another way of writing the Ten Commandments. Is it really demanding so much of anyone to pay allegiance to his country, to talk to his neighbours, to help his neighbours, to be honest, to be loyal to people who count on him, to be friendly to the new Canadians, or persons of other colours, races, creeds, to be polite to people with whom he comes in contact, to look out for and care for animals everywhere, to be obedient to people in authority, to be cheerful and happy, to be thrifty (if not with money, at least with what he owns) and to be clean in thought, word and deed?

Personally, I feel that anyone who cannot do these few, easy things in his everyday living, does not deserve to be called a man. He is a parasite on the earth, and does not deserve to be called either a Christian or a Scout.

After all, what is a Scout but another and more imposing way of showing people that we are honestly and truly Christians, and followers of God's Word and Rules. The day that we are afraid to show people that we, as Scouts, are God fearing people, is the day that Scouting, and our way of life, will be at an end.

Yours very truly,  
R. W. Jarvis, S.M.,  
27th Troop,  
D.S.M., East Central,  
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Dear Sir:

When I read that we need to change the uniform, that we need this, that, or the other thing, I cannot help but think that we need only one thing, really—*Good Leaders*.

I base this belief on conditions in the District of which I am a member. The

District has forty-six Groups, with a uniformed personnel of 3,000. The following are not necessarily the best or the worst and for obvious reasons they are not named.

Group (a) has three Cub Packs, but a Troop of only about twenty Scouts with few Second Class and no First Class.

Group (b) has two Cub Packs and a Troop about the same as the above.

Group (c) has one Cub Pack, but the Troop is over-sized owing to lack of spare time for a second Troop. They have had to have Senior Patrols, three or four Troop Leaders and such things to make room for younger boys. They average five to six Queen's Scouts per year, and move boys into the Rover Scout Crew the minute they are old enough. They also have older boys working as Cub Instructors and Leaders.

Group (c)—and here is the pay-off—require shorts at all times, from eight-years-old and up, even if it is necessary to cover them up for protection in very bad weather. Groups (a), and (b) are not particular—jeans, slacks, hats, maybe; better have a shirt to hold the Tenderfoot Badge.

Yours in Scouting,  
C. T. Timlock,  
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Whilst in London recently, I was privileged to visit Imperial Headquarters and managed to see B.-P.'s room and all the exhibits there. During the few weeks I was in England, I joined in some of the Group activities in the north west.

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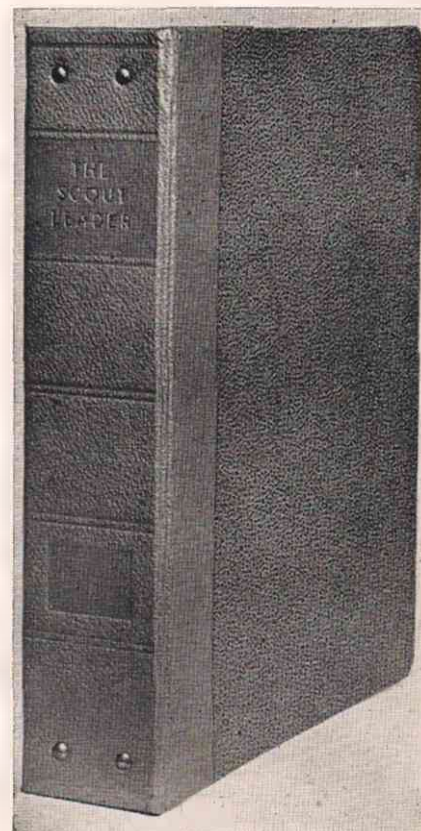
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