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PERSPECTIVE

IF A MAN HAS A TALENT and cannot use it, he has failed. If he has a talent and uses only half of it, he has partly failed. If he has a talent and learns somehow to use the whole of it, he has gloriously succeeded and won a satisfaction and a triumph few men ever know.

—Thomas Wolfe
from *The Web And The Rock*

THE AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS catalogue in this issue should provide many welcome gift ideas for both Christmas and 1964 Boy Scout Week.

THE CENTRE PAGES contain information about a rifle competition to be sponsored by the Boy Scouts of Canada. The four-page removable section includes entry forms and photographs of the two winning trophies.

THE COMMISSION HAS NO DESIRE to create a protected haven or storm shelter for Canadian periodicals, and least of all a sanctuary for mediocrity.

—Report of the Royal Commission
on Publications, 1961

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO: A successful camp fund handicraft sale was sponsored by the 18th London, Ont. Cub Pack.—The 11th Scouters' Conference in Quebec urged that the going-up age should not be maintained too strictly. It stressed that mental age or development is more important.—Plans were being made for the Third World Rover Moot to be held in July, 1939 on the grounds of Monzie Castle, near Crieff, Scotland.

—from *The Scout Leader*
(November, 1938)

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Fit For Service

PACK

Rules of Health

Get the Cubs to talk about the health rules, many of which are taught in elementary schools today. Have a Cub from each Six talk about a specific rule or use a film to show to the whole pack. You could even conduct a poster project among the more interested Cubs to illustrate one or more of the rules.

Invite a doctor or nurse to judge the project's results and make appropriate comments.

Toymaker Badge

Ask one or more parents to take this over as a four to six-week home-centred project. Encourage the Cubs to make worthwhile toys, using wood and real tools instead of paste and cardboard. To fit this in with the monthly theme, suggest that the completed toys be given to needy children or turned over to the children's ward of a local hospital.

Sense Training—Sound

This is a chance for 'blindfold' games which are active as well as quiet. A good example is 'Find The Scouter' listed on page 187 of the Pack Scouter's Handbook.

Why not develop your own games? A simple relay with blindfolded Cubs can, with a story, become a game of 'Ships In Convoy'. After Cubs are blindfolded, they follow a course yelled to them by Sixer from some distance away. He acts as their 'radar' station.

Point out the value of the senses of sight and hearing. Let the Cubs discuss how to take proper care of their ears and eyes.

Wolf Cub Activity

A number of these are featured on pages 16 and 17 of *Fitness Through Scouting*. Adapt them to suit December's weather—outdoors if possible. If indoors, however, let Cubs remove their caps, neckerchiefs and jerseys.

'How We Co-Operate'

This is the title of a film on the theme that good results are best achieved when people work together towards a common goal.

The 10-minute, sound film is available from the Canadian Film Institute, Carling Avenue, Ottawa, for a small service charge. It is available in either black and white or colour.

Christmas Party

For ideas on a pack Christmas party, review Section E of Chapter 5 of the Pack Scouter's Handbook.

We particularly recommend those activities through which they may render some service to the ill or handicapped or to those younger than themselves.

TROOP

Pathfinder Badge

What a silly time of the year to worry about this badge! Or is it? Surely this is the time of year when more motorists than ever, plagued with frozen radiators, are looking for service stations.

The purpose of the Pathfinder Badge is to develop a knowledge of the community. It takes time—but time is available during the Christmas holidays.

Handyman Badge

The value of the Handyman Badge lies, not in knowing what to do, but in being willing to do it. Encourage parents, especially fathers, to become examiners for this badge. Have each Scout pass this badge on the basis of work done in his own home.

Plan a handyman competition. Bring in a number of items and have patrols locate the trouble and prescribe repairs.

Patrol Good Turns

When was the last time your patrols undertook to do good turns?

Explore the possibilities with your sponsors. Clean-up around the meeting hall. Notices, bulletins and church envelopes can be distributed. Are there any members of the sponsoring body who are sick and unable to prepare for the onslaught of winter weather? Find out and send a patrol to remedy this.

Many welfare committees need help around Christmas. Contact these to see where patrols can help.

Christmas Party

Make it different this year. Run a film show for young children. Follow it up with games run by Scouts and refreshments served by Scouts. In fact, why not let one patrol take complete charge of one segment?

CREW

Service—a dry, dusty motto or a call to action for your crew?

Christmas

A time of joy . . . a birthday celebration.

How about getting your crew to make a gift of time and talents? Arrange to tour hospitals or nursing homes. Take the girl friends along! You can present carols and folk songs, skits or musical solos.

Take along ditty bags. Include small practical 'favours' in these bags. Wrap them in gaily-coloured paper and address them to individuals, if a list of names can be obtained in advance.

Film Projectors

How many types of projectors are there? There always seems to be a new one when you rent a projector to show films.

Why not undertake a crew 'Quest' on projection? Contact camera stores or manufacturers of projection equipment and arrange for demonstrations and training.

Film Showing

What does your crew know about seating arrangements for viewing films? Do they know that there are diagrams given which show good viewing set-ups? Film showing can be an art. Work on this with projectors.

Films

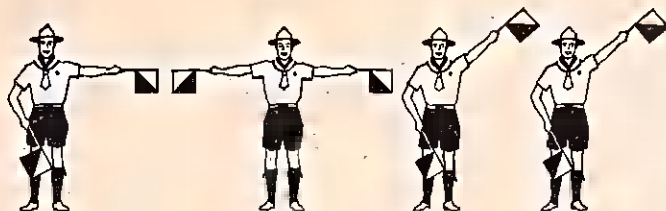
Many films are readily available, but why not make your own? Very few films are available on Rovering. Could your crew write, stage and produce a film that would recruit new members?

Christmas Party

Plan a night in which girl-friends can participate: carol singing, a service project, an 'at-home' to parents. . . Start planning early and include girl friends on the committee. Let everyone on the committee evolve the programme!

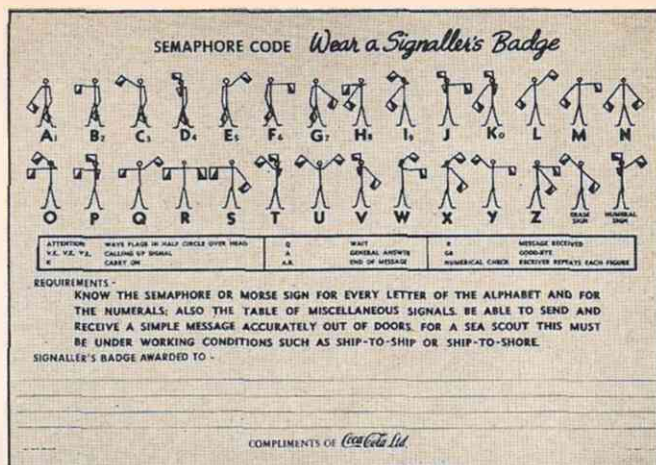
Canadian Boy

January 15, 1964 is the publication date for the first issue of our new magazine for boys. There will be all sorts of ideas in this first issue to help you put across your programme. Make sure your boys are not disappointed by returning your registration forms now.



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*an estimate of college costs in the 'seventies





The aim of Scouting with the handicapped is to help boys help themselves. As Scouting stresses abilities rather than disabilities, the approach is to get each boy to work to improve that which he has, rather than dwell on that which he lacks.

Acquainting Scouters and others with developments in Scouting with handicapped boys across Canada is the purpose of

THE PHOENIX

THE TALKING TEXTBOOKS

Imagine picking up this page and finding it blank.

Imagine the world of printed books as a series of featureless pages—smooth, cool objects without meaning.

This was the plight of thousands of blind high school and college students before a non-profit organization called Recording For The Blind, 121 East 58th Street, New York 22, New York started making textbooks talk.

Possibly one of the most 'limited edition' book clubs in the world, RFB records textbooks—chemistry, law, mathematics, etc., to order on small discs for blind students and professional people. (*Above, a blind girl prepares to learn from a textbook recording. Below, a reader records the book.*) One book edition averages only six talking copies.



Every day about 150 requests for talking textbooks pour into the organization's national headquarters in New York:

"I am blind and I enter college this fall. Will you record books for me?"

"Can you do a book for me on nuclear physics?"

More than 2,500 blind people, competing on equal terms with their sighted schoolmates and colleagues, are served annually.

At fifteen RFB units throughout the United States, trained volunteers—businessmen, housewives, lawyers and teachers—read into microphones for hour after hour such books as *The Fundamentals Of Chemistry*, *Theory And Practice Of Psychological Testing*, *Introduction To Logic*, *A History Of England*, *Dairy Cattle Breeding* and hundreds of others.

One of the shortest books turned into spoken words in this fashion was *The Pulpit Treasury Of Wit And Humour*, done at the request of a blind minister in Colorado. The book took only six records to complete and ran for about five and a half hours of "reading time."

One of the longest books, the *Law Of Torts*, which was requested by a blind police court judge, required 117 discs, and about one hundred hours of playback time. Scarcely an organization devoted to light reading material. RFB's most difficult work was *Limit Distributions For Sums Of Independent Random Variables* for a blind mathematics student at the University of Minnesota.

Who are the people who use these books? According to RFB, they are those who really try; those who are determined to become productive citizens despite their blindness. For them, the way to a college degree and a good job is difficult. "Talking textbooks" often keep it from being impossible. Besides knowledge, the textbooks provide encouragement and stimulation to keep the students going—often on a rigorous study schedule.

"The records were a great help to me," wrote one blind student. "Perhaps you would be interested to know that I received A grades in all my college courses this past semester."

—Recording For The Blind, Inc.

WHAT SCOUTING OFFERS

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- Scouting is geared to the abiding interest of youth; participation in Scouting means something to boys and girls. Disability does not change a child's interest, but it often keeps him from participating.

- The fact that Scouting is a world-wide movement gives breadth and depth to belonging to a Scout group. This is important for the disabled whose universe is often confined.

- Scouting is based on the high ideals and purposes that are necessary [for] rich living in a social world. The disabled are susceptible to social retardation.

- Scouting has a strong dedication in service to others and to [the] community—service that is essential [for] a meaningful life. Service to others gives a sense of personal worth to the disabled who, in the nature of things, have been more often the recipients than the dispensers of service.

- Scouting permits disabled children to work closely with other boys and girls toward common ideas and goals. Controlled experiences in Scouting activities are rewarding to disabled Scouts in their life with the "normal."

Valerie Hunt

from *Recreation With The Handicapped*

RECRUITING THE HANDICAPPED

During the past few years Clark Locke has made visits to various regions of Ontario to promote Scouting with the handicapped. On every trip he tries to visit the local health nurse to let her know what we are trying to do for boys with handicaps and to assure her that we are anxious to help in any way possible.

After each visit letters from Ontario Headquarters are made available to the nurse through John Butler of the Ontario Society for Crippled Children. The letter explains to parents what Scouting can do for boys and gives them an opportunity, on a reply card, to let us know if their sons would be interested in becoming Cubs or Scouts. The district nurse makes sure a copy of this letter goes to every home where there is a handicapped boy.

As a result of a recent trip to Western Ontario, forty-two replies were received. Fifteen parents noted that their boy was already in a pack or troop, three wanted their boys to join Lone Scouts and the balance said they would like their boys to join. This information, together with the boys' names and addresses were sent to the district commissioner concerned with a request that it be followed up.

One reply card read: "My boys are already in Scouts and Cubs. Although both . . . are limited as to what they can do, [they] enjoy very much the outdoor life."

—*Ontario Bulletin on Scouting*

With The Handicapped, May, 1963

MONTREAL STUDENTS 'ADOPT' MENTAL PATIENTS

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—*Canadian High News*, June 22, 1963

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adventure stories and Scouting know-how in this new edition.

Scouting is not a programme aimed primarily at teaching boys to become expert in skills. It makes use of the natural interests of boys only to attain its real objectives—character development, citizenship training and physical fitness. It is through these natural interests, common to all boys, that Scouting helps the handicapped boy mature in all areas of his life.

No one would say that because a boy is crippled or blind he does not need the programme of Scouting. He needs it more because of his limitations. Scouting is a therapy through which he can gain self-assurance. Concurrently, it can teach skills and provide companionship that he may not have had an opportunity to experience.

You might like to provide this new adventure for individual sightless boys—or for groups—or make copies available at schools for the blind. Your local Scout officials will be happy to consult with you regarding this.

—*Cosmo Topics*, Jan.-Feb., 1963

PRINCE PHILIP'S AWARD SCHEME

The following item was taken from an article by Leonard Robinson, Headquarters' Commissioner for Handicapped Scouting in England.

"It may not be generally known that in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme there is now, a new system to deal with participation by the physically disabled. The procedures and principles governing the entering, training and testing of physically handicapped boys and girls are set out in the Award scheme circular, P.D. 2, February, 1962. Addresses from which copies of the circular can be obtained may be had from the Training Department at 25 Buckingham Palace Road, London, England."

A SELECTION OF GAMES

The Zoo—The patrol leader draws a number of animals' heads, and the feet and tails belonging to them. He then marks the heads with block capital letters, the feet with small letters and the tails with numbers.

Each Scout is asked to fit the heads, tails and feet together. For example, he might show them like this: A, b, 7—wolf.

Bag—(Suitable for almost all types of handicaps.) Two or more teams are needed.

Have two bags (more if more teams), each containing a dozen or more different articles (similar articles in each bag.) Give one bag to the end boy in each team. The leader then calls out the name of one article (for example, "A piece of string.") The boys feel in their bag and the one to find the article first gets a point for his side. Con-

tinue in the same manner down the hospital ward or team. Add up the score at the end.

Magnetic Fishing—Cubs may like to try this game. Each Six is given a fishing rod with a small magnet instead of a hook. The 'fish' are paper clips scattered on the floor. The Six with the biggest catch wins.

Human Body Game For Cubs—A series of questions are read out, the answers to which are found in the names of parts of the human body. Each Cub (or Six) writes down what he thinks is the right answer and marks are added up at the end.

Examples: Frequently taken on a journey (trunk); musical instruments (drums); a measure (foot); used by a carpenter (nails); small shell fish (muscles) and two trees (palms.)

Letters In Sandpaper—The letters are cut out in sandpaper and stuck on cardboard to make up words, etc.

Hidden Personalities—The boy chosen to begin forms in his own mind the name of a famous person, living or dead, male or female. The others ask questions, endeavouring to find the name. The interrogators can only ask questions to which the answer 'yes' or 'no' can be given.

Relay Race—Boys pick up lumps of cotton wool with straws.

Actions—The Scoutmaster comes into the room and does various actions for about three minutes (he sits down, takes off his hat, gets up and turns around, un-hooks his whistle, etc.) The Scouts then make lists of what he did in the right order.

—*Games For The Handicapped*

QUOTES

"Rehabilitation, as a common goal, will strengthen the spiritual and cultural unity of the western hemisphere."

—Dr. Renato da Costa Bomfim

"Dependency based on physical and mental disability is one of the greatest threats to democracy. I have gone around the country and around the world, and I have concluded that of all groups working to serve people, and of all the citizens who are supporting them in their efforts, no group has a firmer and more subtle commitment than those who are working in the field of the rehabilitation of the disabled."

—Mary E. Switzer

Director, Office Of Vocational Rehabilitation

"The biggest handicap is not the physical limitations of a person but the prejudices of society against him. He suffers more from people's rebuff and neglect."

—International Society for the Rehabilitation of the Disabled

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ENTRY FORM
Boy Scouts of Canada
.22 Rifle Competition
DRUMMOND TROPHY

Entry No.
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Please enter _____ of _____ Troop
(NAME)

for the competition for which I enclose 50 cents.

Send targets to _____

(Send this entry form together with
money order or cheque, payable to
Boy Scouts of Canada, P.O. Box 3520,
Stn. 'C', Ottawa 3, Ontario)

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ENTRY FORM
Boy Scouts of Canada
.22 Rifle Competition
PEPSI-COLA TROPHY

Entry No.
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Please enter _____ teams representing _____ Troop

for the competition for which I enclose \$2.00 per team amounting to \$ _____

Strength of Unit _____ Strength of Teams (1) _____

(2) _____

(3) _____

Send targets to _____

(Send this entry form together with
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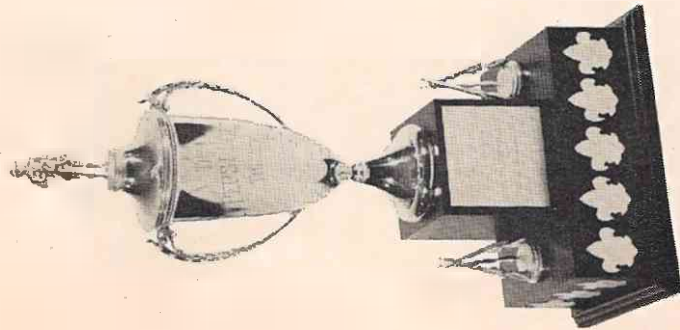
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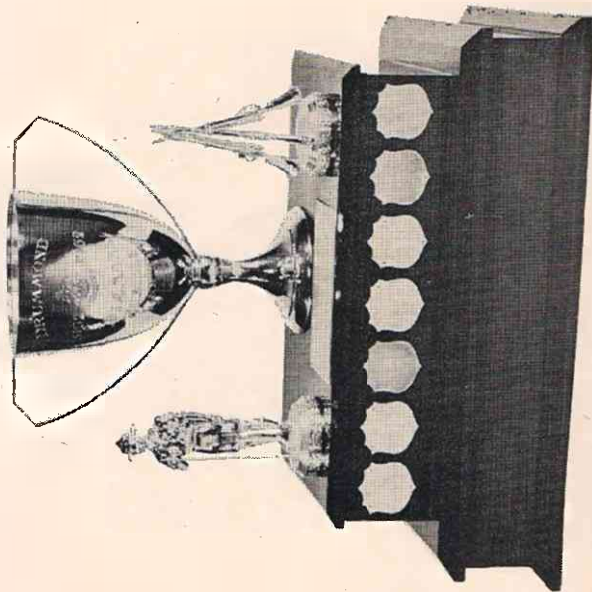
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**PEPSI-COLA
TROPHY**



**DRUMMOND
TROPHY**

Pepsi-Cola Trophy

Conditions

Regulations are the same as for the Drummond Trophy with the following amendments or additions:

AMEND

Condition 3. Entry Fees: \$2 per team payable to the Boy Scouts of Canada. (If paid by cheque, add the exchange.)

ADD

Condition 21. Strength of Teams: The strength of teams will be not less than four and not more than eight members. When teams consist of five or more members, the score will comprise the highest four scores fired by members of that team. All scores will be counted in the event of teams comprising four members.

Condition 22. Number of Teams: Any number of teams may be entered by each troop.

Condition 23. Spares: No spares are allowed.

Condition 24. If a competitor is taking part in the Pepsi-Cola Trophy competition he can, on completion of a separate application, ask that his score be included in the Drummond Trophy competition at no extra charge. This must be done with the team application and not after shooting.

each shot. Last mailing date is July 10, 1964. Mail targets direct to—

.22 Rifle Competition,
Boy Scouts of Canada,
P.O. Box 3520,
Postal Station 'C',
Ottawa 3, Ontario.

Mail targets flat—do not roll, stick or seal. Targets and score sheets wrapped but not sealed will be accepted as 'printed matter' or parcel post. If the parcel is sealed, letter rate postage is charged.

- 20. Penalties:** (a) A competitor who fires more than one target in a shoot will have his lowest score included in the team total.
(b) Unsigned target: The target cannot be accepted in the team total.
(c) (i) No allowance can be made for a shot after it has left the rifle.
(ii) If a competitor fires more than the prescribed number of shots on any one diagram, but not more than the prescribed number on the entire target, he will be penalized one point for each shot thus fired. A ten shot thus fired becomes a nine.
(iii) If a competitor fires more than the prescribed number of shots on any one target he will be credited with the required number of shots of lowest value, less one penalty point for each excessive shot.

Drummond Trophy

Conditions

- 1. Date:** January 1 to June 30, 1964. No entries will be accepted after April 10, 1964. Targets and score sheets must be sent in ten days after completion of each shoot. Targets postmarked after July 10 will not be accepted for the competition.
- 2. Eligibility:** This competition is open to any registered boy member of a Scout troop in the Boy Scouts of Canada. Parental and group approval must be obtained to enter the competition.
- 3. Entry Fees:** Fifty cents per competitor payable to the Boy Scouts of Canada. (If paid by cheque, include the exchange.)
- 4. Entries:** Send entries to—

*Boy Scouts of Canada,
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P.O. Box 3520, Station 'C',
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- 5. Range Officer:** The range officer must be a responsible person, at least 21 years old, appointed by the group committee and acceptable to the officer commanding the range in use. He may be a member of the group.

6. **Witness:** In addition to the range officer, there shall be one witness who will be appointed by the group committee. He must be at least 21 years old and not a member of the group or the parent of a competitor.

7. **Distance:** The range officer and witness will personally measure the range (from the edge of the firing point closest to the targets to the face of the targets) to ensure that the distance is not less than sixty feet.

8. **Match Targets:** The standard D.C.R.A. 25-yard (1950) target. The target consists of five scoring diagrams and one sight diagram. Match targets are numbered and will be forwarded to teams on receipt of entry. These targets must not be used for practice and all competition targets must be accounted for on the score sheet for that particular shoot. Targets must be signed on the signature line *by the competitor before* he begins his score. Targets have boxes marked 'first shoot,' 'second shoot' and 'third shoot' and these boxes must be checked (✓) when signed by the competitor.

9. **Rifle:** (a) The 'C' No. 7 .22 calibre rifle.

(b) Any .22 calibre sporting rifle.

Magazine rifles may be used but must be loaded singly.

10. **Sights:** As issued with above rifles, including apertures, with or without wind gauge, but not fitted with telescopes.

11. **Slings:** Slings may be used.

12. **Trigger Pull:** (a) Not less than five pounds for 'C' No. 7 .22 calibre.
(b) Not less than three pounds for sporting rifles.

13. **Position:** Prone. No artificial rest of any kind will be allowed.

14. **Ammunition:** Any .22 calibre long rifle ammunition may be used.

15. **Nature of Firing:** Deliberate.

16. **Number of Rounds:** Five sighting shots and ten scoring shots. Two shots will be fired at each of the scoring diagrams.

17. **Coaching & Spotting:** Coaching and spotting allowed. Competitors may also use their own binoculars or telescopes.

18. **Scoring:** Range officer will mark each target, estimating scores by visual means only.

The value of the shot will be determined by the edge of the hole nearest the centre of the target. When the shot touches a scoring ring, the higher value will be counted. Scores are to be entered in order of score on the proper score sheet. Targets are to be arranged in the order entered on the score sheet.

19. **Returning Targets:** Fill in the score sheet, front and back. Targets must be postmarked not later than ten days following completion of

Number 2 Fold Here Then Slit Top

SCOUTS BUILD CANOE

Members of Wallaceburg, Ont. Scout Troop 3 have spent their evenings and spare time for more than a month building a flat-bottomed canoe called a 'bateau.'

The boys built the 14-foot craft as a troop project that will be carried atop the troop's equipment trailer.

The boat, a two-man model of the barges used in pioneer days on the Ottawa River, was tested at a recent camporee and Scoutmaster Gary Peck said he hopes to build at least two more canoes.

The boys warn that the bateau has a smooth bottom and is just as 'tippy' as a canoe can be.

Designed for use on weekend expeditions, the canoe can carry two Scouts, equipment, tents, sleeping bags and food.

The two additional bateaux, of different sizes and designs, will be built this winter. ★



Photo: Winnipeg Tribune

Above: Cubs of the 48th Winnipeg Pack won the Winnipeg Tribune Trophy at the Manitoba Music Festival this year. The trophy is awarded to the best choir entered in the Cub pack competition. Queen's Scout Michael Dunbar of the 48th Winnipeg Pioneer Troop was conductor.

Bottom Right: Twenty-two Scouts recently took part in the first driver education course sponsored by the Quebec Provincial Scout Council. Twenty of them obtained an operator's permit from the Motor Vehicle Bureau. From left to right: H. Burt Wallace, chairman of driver education for the Quebec Safety League; Mrs. D. K. Hurley, who was in charge of the course; Patrol Leader Neil Robbins of St. Mark's Troop, St. Laurent and Patrol Leader Claude Dionne of the Town of Mount Royal.

Bottom Left: The Bishop of Birmingham, England receives a copy of the daily paper published at the recent Anglican World Congress in Toronto from Scout Henry Kusano of the 53rd Toronto Troop. Patrol Leader Brian Rainey looks on. Forty Scouts from twelve Toronto groups assisted in various ways at the congress.

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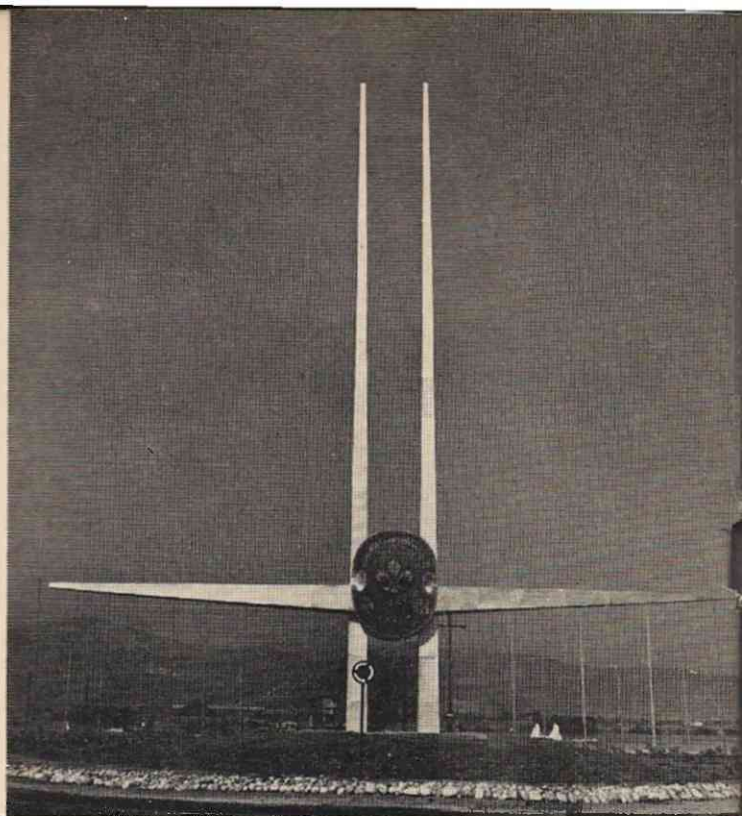


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RIGHT: The impressive entrance to the 11th World Jamboree held on the plains of Marathon, outside Athens, Greece.

LEFT: A Scout against the background of the jamboree site at Marathon.

BOTTOM: The Parthenon, chief temple of Athena on the Acropolis at Athens, was a top tourist attraction for jamboree Scouts.



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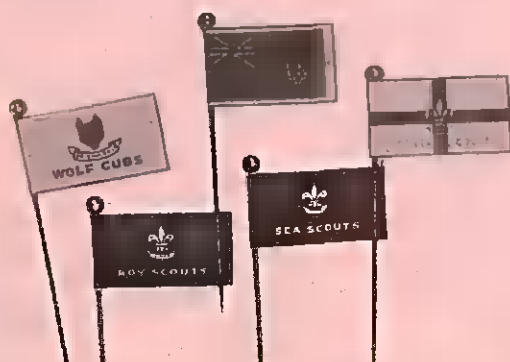


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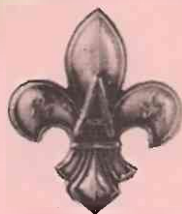
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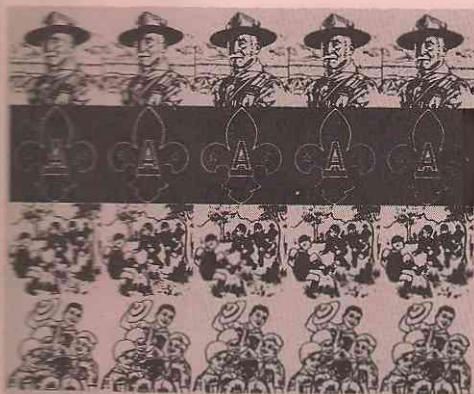


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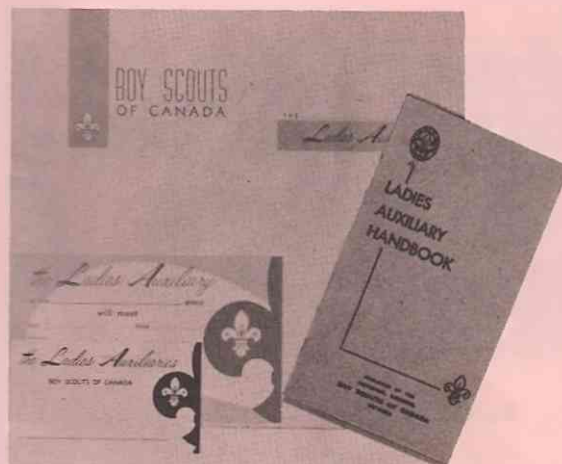
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'Beefarama '63'

By **CHRIS McCORMICK**

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from THE MONTREAL GAZETTE*

A project aimed at giving city Scouts a taste of country life and a first-hand view of large farm operations was launched this past summer by St. Steven's troop at Lachine, Quebec.

The plan, designated 'Beefarama '63' by 13-year-old Peter Mills, involved the purchase of two five-month-old short horn beef steers.

Peter apparently has no qualms about seeing the calves being turned into hamburger when they are sold in February; in fact he can see nothing but tender steak coming from the troop's efforts.

"I have wanted to be a beef farmer for two years but if I let those things bother me, I wouldn't be a very successful one," he says. Peter is hoping to learn a great deal about his future career through the project.

The calves, at Saraguay Farm, north of Montreal in the Laurentians, are predicted to be gaining weight at the rate of six pounds a week. This fall they are scheduled to be put on an accelerated grain feeding programme and should be gaining about 21 pounds a week.

The project was financed mainly by a Kiwanis Club donation of \$200 and the troop itself engaged in fund-raising activities which included a barn dance and a Christmas wrapping paper sale.

The donation bought the cattle at \$100 each and the money the Scouts raised went to the grain feeding

programme that will bring the steers up to the right weight level for auction time in February.

"With the money from the sale we hope to replace the steers with two more. So far everything is going smoothly and no complications are in sight," explained Scoutmaster Albert McArdee.

He said the project will "give our Scouts a broader opportunity to practice the principles of Scouting and a chance to earn the badges that are usually not open to them, such as dairyman, stockman, farmer and horseman."

Preparation before the purchase was intense. Lecturers came to give advice on how to raise and exhibit livestock and the troop visited local country fairs to further their knowledge about farming in general.

Each time the Scouts visit the farm they not only test their skill of animal husbandry but also get some good camping practice as well.

"Apart from our wish to replace the cattle when sold, we have no long-range plans as to whether or not we will increase the number," Scoutmaster McArdle said. "Any plans we might have along those lines would be up to the Scout group committee and will largely depend on the success of this venture."

The Scouts are now looking forward to the time when they can exhibit the steers at a fair and reap the profits of their labour. ★

P. O. & R. A Guide Post

By **JOHN HALLOWS**

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P.O. & R. does not mean Push On Regardless. [It] is not a railroad or a steamship line but a pocket-size book containing our Policy, Organization and Rules.

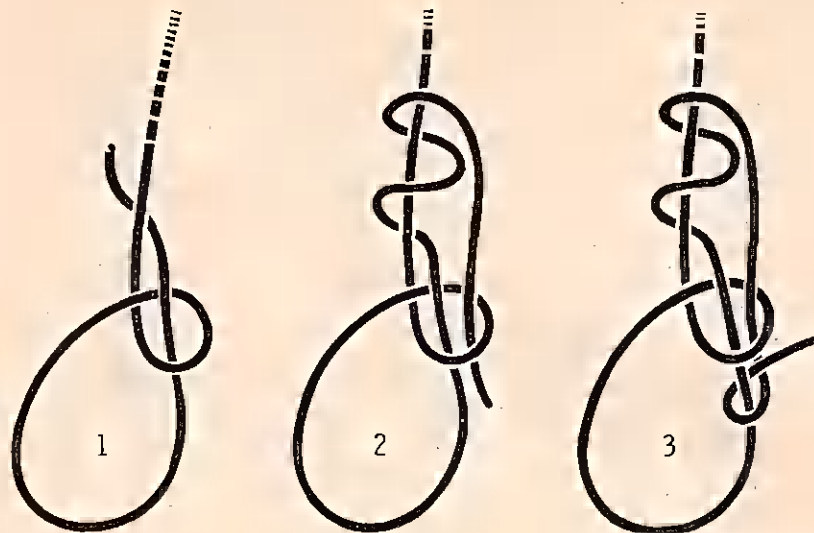
This mine of information is constantly revised to keep it up-to-date, all revisions being published in *The Scout Leader* so that they may be clipped out and pasted over the amended rule.

This rule book is subjected to constant scrutiny by those who like to spend their time and energy to see how far they can stretch a rule without actually breaking it. The simplest procedure is, of course, to obey the spirit of the laws contained therein, rather than to seek out the loopholes that can always be found when interpreting mere words.

For every rule and regulation there is usually a good reason—and often a sad experience—that makes it necessary. Therefore the Do's and Don'ts should not be looked upon as such, but rather as guide posts that mark the pitfalls of past experience.

[Who was it] who said, "Only the fool learns by his own experience; the wise man learns from others"? ★

Made in exactly the same way as the ordinary bowline (to start with) but with a round turn above the bight and a half-hitch below.



LOCKED BOWLINES present

In past seafaring days the question of how to make a knot in a rope, how to make two ends of rope secure to each other, how to make a rope's end fast to a bollard [or] how to hook or cleat was easily solved by the nautical types who sailed such ships as *HMS Victory*, *HMS Bounty* or the clipper ship *Cutty Sark*.

In fact, much of our present knowledge of . . . knots, bends and hitches has been handed down to us from sailing ship days.

A well-found ship in those days carried only the best quality rope and her rigging aloft was overhauled daily and inspected for signs of wear. Any damage from enemy action was at once made good, for her safety depended

upon her sails and rigging as much as upon the seamanship of her men.

The manufacture of rope, therefore, was all-important to both the Royal Navy and the Merchant Navy. Portsmouth, Chatham and other ports all contained their ropewalks where only the very best quality rope was produced. Each ropewalk could identify its own manufactured rope by . . . the coloured yarn introduced into the lay of the strand known as the 'Rogue's yarn.' Because of this, identification was simple in the case of stolen goods.

Most of the rope was Italian hemp, tarred or plain manila, cotton (for 'fancy' work where strength was not important) and coconut fibre rope known as coir or bass used mainly as a 'float rope.'

With the passage of years, however, many other fibres for rope making have been introduced—sisal, for instance, and in modern times the new man-made fibres produced synthetically from raw materials are increasingly making their appearance in the world's markets.

The new synthetic fibres have great strength compared with ordinary manufactured rope. They also have flexibility and power to withstand the weather and wear and tear to a marked degree. [They] give an advantage that has been quickly realized by those whose life is spent handling rope.

It has been found that the new ropes respond very well indeed to the everyday needs of the seafaring trade, but some display a tendency NOT to stay put when spliced, made fast or knotted in the usual way. During a recent trip to the [English] coast, the writer found that there was a serious lack of general knowledge on exactly how to knot the man-made fibre rope.

This is a jamming knot for uniting two lengths of rope and is easily made by making a thumb or overhand knot on one end and then carefully following around with the end of the other rope. Seize the ends after pulling tight.



DOUBLE THUMB OR DOUBLE OVERHAND KNOT

Cordage made of synthetic fibres is coming into increasing use in many walks of life because of its strength and elasticity. Lustrous strings for tying parcels, tough cords for starting power mowers and nylon hawsers for towing ships or securing them alongside are some of its uses.

Synthetics, however, have certain qualities which require special care in their use. Knots tend to slip and ends to unravel.

In the January, 1963 issue of The Sea Cadet, published in England, Lieut. P. Gibbs-Murray tells how to cope with some of the special problems raised by the introduction of synthetic cordage. His article is reproduced here with the permission of the author and the editor of The Sea Cadet.

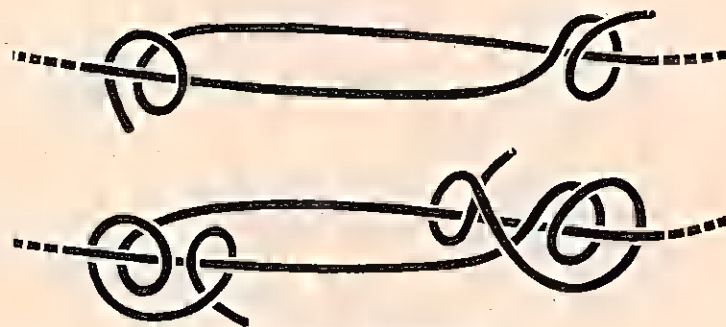
KNOTTY PROBLEMS

This article gives a number of hold-fast knots, specially designed for the new rope and based upon knots already known and taught in unit seamanship classes. These knots should prove useful when handling the new rope and are, in any case, interesting to those who like making knots, bends and hitches.

It is important to bear in mind, when making these knots, that synthetic fibre rope, when oil-covered, greasy or wet, is extremely slippery.

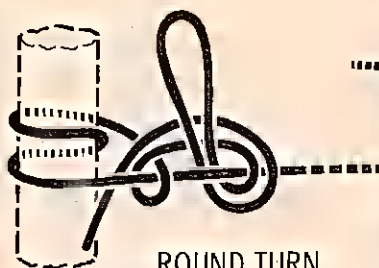
In making these knots make sure that the end (well-whipped) goes OVER and not under and that all turns lie snugly together. Also, for the sake of neatness, it is considered important to seize the end to the standing part with a few turns of small stuff.

It is suggested that instructors and learners practice these knots first with the ordinary rope with which they are familiar, before tackling the more unfamiliar synthetic fibre rope.



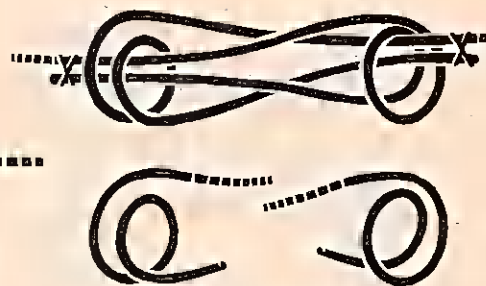
DOUBLE MAGNUS

When joining two lengths of synthetic fibre rope together, this is the recommended knot. Simply make a magnus (round turn and half-hitch) with one end on the standing part of the other rope and vice-versa. Then pull them together (something like the fisherman's knot) and seize the ends.



ROUND TURN
AND TWO HALF HITCHES
ON THE BIGHT

Take a round turn in the ordinary way, then, having left a long end, double it and make two half-hitches with the double rope. Heave tight and an excellent holdfast knot is the result.



DOUBLE REEF

In making the double reef simply remember that a round turn goes on each side and that the ends follow the standing parts down through the turn.

Fitness Match

Fitness does not come through exercise alone. Scouts compete in many ways every day of their lives. Why not use the competitive spirit to foster the desire to be fit?

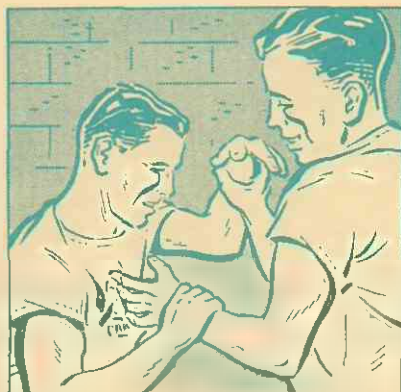
Run a "Fitness Match" in your section. Use the activities depicted here or those in the Fitness Manual. Promote individual challenges as well as using pairs competitions. Match boys of similar size and weight.



Flying Squat. Jump up, cross-legs, grasping feet in air.

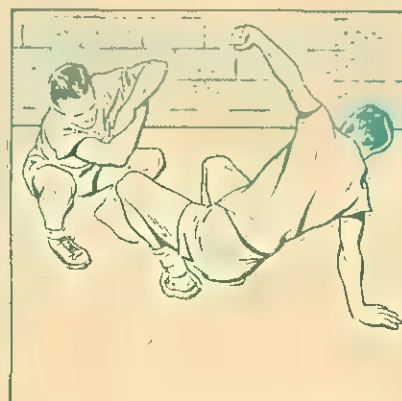
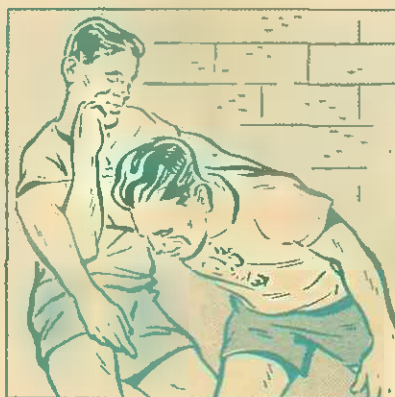


Sneak Behind. Start face to face. Then each man tries to get behind the other and face in same direction as he.



Chest Touch. Take left wrist of opponent, resist as each tries to touch other's chest.

Arm Wrestle. Lock arms at elbows, then arm wrestle to force opponent down to floor.



Squat Tangle. Compete by age and weight. Take deep squatting position, fold arms, then try to knock each other off balance.

Head Bend. Left hand on opponent's chest, other around head forcing it to his chest.



Body Lift. Sit with legs stretched forward. Lift with arms until feet and seat are completely off the ground.

Back Pull. Back to back, hands above shoulders, each tries to pull the other off floor.



Photo Competition

Canadian Scouts have been invited to participate in the First Scout Photographic Competition sponsored by Mexico's National Council of Tourism.

The conditions are as follows:

- Photographs submitted may be black and white, in colour or colour transparencies of any size, *but they must be taken within the territory of the Republic of Mexico.*

- Participants can send as many photographs as they wish but on each one the following particulars must appear: name and address of the person taking the picture, the Scout troop to which he belongs, the name of the place referred to in the photograph and the date taken. For transparencies, the above information must be sent or delivered to the National Council of Tourism, Insurgentes Sur 421-B.80, Piso, Mexico 11, D.F.

- The competition will close April 30, 1964.

Four judges will be chosen to select the winners and the results will be released through the Boy Scouts World Bureau.

The following prizes will be given:

A—First Prize will consist of a gold medal and \$1,000 for the group to which the winner belongs and a gold medal and \$500 for the winner himself.

B—Second Prize will consist of a silver medal and \$250 for the group to which the second winner belongs and a silver medal and \$250 for the winner himself.

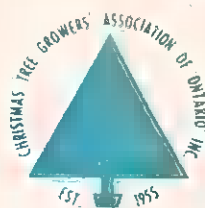
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GAMES FOR CUBS

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SOLDIERS AND BRIGANDS

Two files of Cubs are placed at opposite ends of the room. One file represents soldiers with their faces to the wall and the other file robbers who face the backs of the soldiers.

The idea is for the robbers to creep up and, when close to the soldiers, to clap hands and then race back home.

The soldiers, as soon as they hear the clap, turn around and chase the robbers. In order to test the self-control of the soldiers the clap may be delayed for some seconds. Any robber caught before reaching home becomes a soldier and the game can proceed until the robbers are captured.

This game brings out alertness and speed and is good for teaching self-control. It is also quite good for warming up the boys in cold weather.

IN THE POND

Players form a circle around the leader just outside a chalk line. On the order 'In the pond' they all jump inside the circle. On the order 'On the bank' they all jump out.

If the order 'In the pond' is given when all are *in*, none must move, and vice versa for 'On the bank.' Such orders as 'On the pond' and 'In the bank' must be ignored.

Players drop out after two mistakes. The last player remaining wins.

SCHOONER, AHOY!

The pack are told that they are shipwrecked on an island. Suddenly a schooner is sighted. How can its attention be caught? Each Six is allowed five minutes to think out ways and means—for example, *hoisting a flag upside down, an SOS, a fire signal, etc.*

At the end of the five minutes, each Six in turn comes forward and acts out its method.

BALLOON RACE

Teams join up in pairs and run, one pair at a time, carrying a balloon on their shoulders between their heads.

What Do YOU

Think About . . .

'The programme of the Boy Scouts of Canada is devised to carry out the purposes and aims of Scouting and to provide the opportunity for progressive advancement, coupled with recognition. . .'

Rule 177, P.O. & R.

What would Scouting be like if there were no grade badges?

Surely it would mean the loss of [an] 'opportunity for progressive advancement coupled with recognition!'

Or would it? Join me in a day-dream and hear what Dave Woods, a member of the 73rd Adanac Troop, has to say:

"I heard about the 73rd from John Towers. We live on the same street and met shortly after I moved here. John told me about his activities in the troop. They sounded like fun and one evening I went to a troop meeting with him.

"He introduced me to the Scoutmaster who told me to work with John's patrol until I decided if I wanted to become a member of the troop. For three weeks we met as a patrol. When I saw the Scoutmaster at the next troop meeting I told him that I wanted to become a Scout. He pointed out there was only one condition of joining—to understand the promise and law and to make the promise in front of the troop.

"Within two weeks I was invested. I was given a choice of patrols. I chose John's patrol because I knew them and they were either my age or in my grade at school.

"Our patrol had been working during this period with a Mr. Long on first aid. He gave us a test and all of us earned our Junior First Aid Badge. I should say badges because we were given a Scout badge for our shirts and a Junior St. John badge for our windbreakers. It was then I learned that on badges such as First Aid, Swimming and Rescue we could earn two badges. The Scout tests are based on St. John, Red Cross and Royal Life Saving requirements. When a member of these organizations passes us we receive both badges. Mr. Long is a member of the St. John Ambulance Brigade and not a Scouter. He worked with us just for the period of the course.

Grade Badges?



By **R. E. MILKS**

Programme & Uniform Subcommittee

"Our patrol met to decide on our next project. At this meeting I found out that there are close to 40 badges. Each badge has three or four stages of proficiency. The badges are colour-coded to denote their rank. In terms of Red Cross requirements these are:

Green Badge.....Beginners Red Cross
Bronze Badge.....Junior Red Cross
Silver Badge.....Intermediate Red Cross
Gold Badge.....Senior Red Cross

"Only a few badges have the green level. Our patrol decided not only the badge we were interested in, but also the level at which we wanted to work. We decided to work on Campcraft at the silver level.

"John held his bronze badge in Campcraft and we elected him as project leader. We elect a new project leader for each project, which usually lasts from four to six weeks. As project leader, John met with the Scoutmaster, explained our choice and asked for someone to work with us. The Scoutmaster suggested Tom Mooney, assistant Scoutmaster and an experienced camper.

"With Tom instructing and John keeping us going, we all qualified for our silver Campcraft Badge. I was very pleased when, for one of our latest projects, I was elected project leader.

"As I said before, we hold patrol meetings for training. Occasionally, on some projects, we work with another patrol. We meet at troop meetings primarily for competitions and challenges, displays, ceremonies and planning for troop outings.

"We can work on badges with the patrol or on our own. I worked on my hobby—rock collecting—and I now hold the bronze Hobby Badge. John had an exhibition of wood carving at one of the 'parent' nights and earned his gold Handicraft Badge.

"When I had six badges of at least bronze level, I was given 'A' cords to wear. I hope to earn the 'B' and 'C' cords which are given for at least six badges at silver and gold levels respectively.

"Some of us in the patrol want to work on our Queen's Scout Badge. We can earn this by holding, at the gold

level, the Citizen, Personal Fitness and two other badges such as First Aid and Lifesaving.

"Our Scoutmaster is also encouraging us to work towards our Bushman's Thong. This requires the Campcraft and two badges, such as Orienteering and Pioneering at the gold level.

"With the cords, awards and badges, we have lots to work for. You know, it's quite easy to tell how proficient a fellow is in a given badge by looking at the colour of the badges on his shirt.

"I've enjoyed my Scouting. My Dad says if I get the gold level badges in Swimming, Lifesaving and First Aid I should be able to get a job at a summer camp quite readily."

Well, there it is—a day-dream! A troop doing Scouting without grade badges. Nonetheless they are given 'the opportunity for progressive advancement coupled with recognition.'

Suppose there were no grade badges!

What is your reaction to this story? Clip out the box below and send in your opinion.

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The first issue of this magazine for all Canadian boys will be published in January, 1964. The Editors are well along with their job of ensuring that this issue, and every other one too, is crammed full of exciting, entertaining reading for boys. Advertisers are demonstrating their faith in our Team and in CANADIAN BOY by placing their ads now even before they see the product they are buying. They are investing their money gladly because they believe in us.

NOW IT IS UP TO US — EVERYONE OF US IN THE SCOUT MOVEMENT IN CANADA TO PLAY OUR PART AND DEMONSTRATE OUR DETERMINATION TO PLAY AS A TEAM.

THAT FELLOW WEARING NUMBER 10 IS YOU.

YOU HAVE THE BALL AND A TEAM READY TO RUN WITH YOU. THE BALL? THOSE REGISTRATION FORMS YOU HAVE RECEIVED OR WILL BE RECEIVING.

With you, we want to make sure that every boy and Section Scouter in Canada has the first copy of CANADIAN BOY but we can't do it without your help — we have to have those lists returned to us quickly so that we will have the names and addresses of your Cubs, Scouts or Rovers. It takes time to record over 300,000 names and addresses so we needed your forms yesterday! We now have about 200,000 names on the subscription list, but we don't want to get caught on the five-yard line!

HOW ABOUT IT, NUMBER 10? LET'S GO FOR ONE OF THE GREATEST "TOUCHDOWNS" IN THE HISTORY OF THIS GAME OF SCOUTING!