

Canadian Boy Scouts

Worth Knowing

When Marching
A good tip for scouts and leaders is to march with the inside of the foot, which can be obtained by keeping the toes pointed out. This prevents sore feet.
Scouts recently held a "Scout" campaign, by which they were to show pedestrians ways to walk in the street, ways of their rules: to the right, with the traffic, your corners squarely; do not stop and talk in the street, crossing streets, always look first; an reaching centre of the street, to turn the corner, a driver always a behind you.

How to Run a Troop

By Ernest Young, Headmaster Harrow County School and Scoutmaster in the "Scout."

Fifth Week's Work

1. Written Test in the Scout Law. Many people want to help the Scouts, but do not know how. Here is a chance to get a little assistance from the Scoutmaster, the Scoutmaster, or any other possible friend of the movement. Ask an outsider to correct the papers, even if there are only one or two boys in the patrol. One mark is to be given for every Law correctly stated, and eight marks are to be given for a Scout in this part of the Tenderfoot Test.
2. Test the Knots.
Call out the name of a Knot. Blow a whistle. All the Scouts, all stop. Examine the knots. If correct, tick off on a list which you have drawn up.
Every knot correctly tied counts two marks. A boy must tie all the knots correctly to pass this part of the Tenderfoot Test. Keep your list, and give further opportunities, later on, to the boys who may have failed this time. When all the spaces are filled, the paper may be destroyed.
Note. Most of the boys, if not all, will now have finished their Tenderfoot Tests. Working one night a week this has taken five weeks. Some Scouts have been known to do it all in five minutes, but that's something else, holding your food at dinner. It goes down quickly enough, but it does no good, for it does not digest.
Learn to go slowly, and don't be in a hurry to wear a badge. It's not wearing the badge that matters, but knowing all that the badge means when you do wear it.
3. The two tests will not take up all the evening, and it will now be possible to begin some games. These games are intended to train the senses—touch, hearing, smell, etc., and they will be referred to, in the future, as Sense Training Games. Usually about ten minutes to each game will be enough.
(a) Farm Yard (Scouting Games, p. 43).
(b) Thimble Finding (Scouting Games, p. 44).
(c) Nobody's Airship (Scouting Games, p. 47).

Outdoor Work

Play first, the game "Spot Your Staves" (Scouting Games, p. 27). The trail should lead to a piece of ground where instruction in cooking can be given. Each Scout will first prepare his own fire. (If he has not passed his Fire-lighting Test, he can have a go now.) It will be best to begin with easy things, say a steak and some potatoes. To get good results don't be too ambitious at the start. Hence proceed as follows:
Cook the potatoes first. Wash them and put them, in their skins, in a bill, just a little more than covered with water. Add a pinch of salt. Put on the fire and boil. As soon as the water boils, remove the bill to a cooler part of the fire, and keep it only just at the boil.
The potatoes are done when they are tender to the fork. They will take twenty to thirty minutes.
Pour off the water; stuff a cloth in the bill to keep in the steam; put near the fire to keep warm.
Now for the meat, which takes a much shorter time to cook. Put a slice of fat in the frying pan. When it is melted, put in the steak. Cook on one side for three or four minutes. Turn the meat and potatoes out on to a plate. It is better to use a plate of enameled ware or tin. It should be the size of the tin, to hold the side of the fire to warm, with no danger of cracking.
Food cooks very quickly in the open air, so have a hot plate, meat just out of the pan, and potatoes kept warm in their own steam. Then you will find that your meat tastes most delicious.
Washing Up
It's all very well to cook meat and potatoes and to eat them with a good appetite. It is not so amusing, washing up afterwards. Still it has to be done properly.
Sand or earth and a cloth or grass, will do a great deal, but it is better to boil some more water in a bill. Put in a small piece of soda. Wash the knife and fork first, then the plate and then the bill. Rinse out the bill with clean water; wipe dry with a cloth or put the things on the grass to dry.
Don't leave any bits of food on the ground, any fat in the frying pan, or any potato skins in the bill. A Scout is clean!

PRAISE FOR SCOUTS

Sir Percy Girouard, the Director-General of Munitions Supply, gives the Scouts in his department a splendid character. This is what he says in a letter to the Editor of The Scout:
"The Boy Scouts serving in the Department of Munitions Supply are rendering invaluable services to all under whom they are working.
"The quick and intelligent manner in which they perform all duties entrusted to them reflects the highest credit not only to the Scouts themselves, but also on those through whose energy and careful training this high state of efficiency has been attained."

Planting Potatoes

Put a spare piece of ground under a fence? If you have, why not potatoes? There is just time to plant them in preference to old ones, which give better results. Also sow cabbage, carrots, radishes, dwarf beans, and peas. Use as much of your spare as possible before the season is over.
When the potatoes are ready to plant, select the best of the crop, and plant them in a row, about two feet apart, and about four inches deep. Water them well, and keep them free from weeds. When the potatoes are ready to dig, dig them up, and select the best of the crop, and plant them in a row, about two feet apart, and about four inches deep. Water them well, and keep them free from weeds. When the potatoes are ready to dig, dig them up, and select the best of the crop, and plant them in a row, about two feet apart, and about four inches deep. Water them well, and keep them free from weeds.



Fashion Notes

Cotton Fads

One of the most inexplicable fads in the realm of dress is the location where are laid to rest the fads and fancies of seasons past. What becomes of the styles of yesterday, or to be more exact the styles of yesterday? And what becomes of the motives back of the introduction of certain modes, the inspiration from which certain styles spring? Do they evaporate into thin air? asks The Free Press, Winnipeg.
Last winter we had an epidemic of cotton dresses. This was one of the many adjuncts of the "buy a bale of cotton" movements. The need, pressing need, for helping the cotton producing section of the country no longer exists but what about the claims of the cotton dress movement promoters, claims that announced the cotton frock as a permanent feature of the wardrobe?
In the midst of cotton balls and cotton bananas and cotton luncheons, and other social "cotton" affairs, we were assured that the well-dressed woman had long overlooked the fact that a cotton dress could be made as attractive as its silk or wool contemporary.
And the cotton dresses of last season were verifications of this claim. They were beautiful, quite as beautiful as the frocks of other fabrics. But the vogue for cotton frocks passed, and even the summer season, when cotton really comes into its own, found silk in the ascendancy and a noticeable lack of enlightenment on the future of the "cotton" dress movement. But the style creators—some of them—have profited by their experience of last season and are offering fall frocks fashioned from cotton weaves, cotton fabrics, frocks quite as effective in style as any developed from silk or wool.

Scotch Plaids

Scotch plaids in silk will be used to trim the returned petticoats which women find necessary with the fashionable full skirt.

A New Hat

A hat with the wide brim slashed at each side and curled upward in two little points is a novelty.

New Features in Frocks

Points are much used in the new frocks—there are pointed tunics, and some of the new frocks at the bottom have pointed skirts.

Hem of Tulle

A hem of tulle is used on some evening frocks of tulle for young girls. The skirts are exceedingly short and full and the tulle hem extends about two inches below the tulle.

Hand Painted Buttons

Tiny hand-painted pearl buttons and dyed pearl buttons in odd shapes appear on autumn frocks.

New Lacings

Lacings appear in some of the new frocks and blouses. Sleeves are sometimes laced around from the elbow to the wrist, sometimes from the shoulder to the elbow. Lacings appear down the front of blouses and at the collar. The lacings are contrasting color, usually.

Fur-Trimmed Sweatercoats

Fur-trimmed sweater coats, too, are gaining in fashion. Made in pink and blue and pale yellow and white silk, with hems and collars and cuffs of white fox, they are admirable for wear frocks at the seashore and in the mountains.

Contrasting Linings

Contrasting linings in coats for day and evening wear are usual. Often figures are used for the linings, and some smart coats are lined with two-colored checked silk.

Big Quaker

Big Quaker collars are made in many materials. First of organza or other plain, sheer white fabric, they are now made of white or colored mull, and even of lace or all-over embroidery.

New Skirts

The new skirts in black and white stripes of cloth and silk, are made so that the black stripe overlaps the white, and at the hips only the black shows. Lower, where the stripes open out, the white is visible.

Useful Pockets

Pockets that apparently or really button over the belt are much used on frocks and coats for both children and grown-ups.

Petticoats

There are to be some petticoats with jersey tops, and these, of course, wear far better than the petticoat that is all tulle, for a new flounce can easily be put in place of the first one when that becomes worn.

Buttons on Hats

Buttons seem an odd hat trimming, yet three big white pearl buttons are fastened on the twisted ribbon band that encircles the crown of a broad-brimmed black velvet hat.

Autumn Prediction

Prediction is made that for Autumn wear voile and tulle in heavy, coarse weaves are to be featured. These are both desirable fabrics, for they have an element of durability that makes them economical.

For Flatirons

Flatirons that have become rough from rust or starch should be rubbed with yellow beeswax. Have a cake of the wax tied in a piece of coarse cheesecloth.

Heat the Iron

Heat the iron until it is very warm, but not hot; rub the iron briskly with beeswax, and then quickly rub with a clean, coarse cloth until the surface is perfectly smooth.

WOMEN'S REALM

We are always pleased to receive any new or tried recipes, or any fashion notes, etc., which may be of interest to our lady readers, and will publish same when suitable. All communications for these columns to have names and address (not for publication) and be addressed to the Editor, Women's Realm, "The Standard, St. John, N. B."

Reliable Recipes

Rhubarb Omelet

Take one cup of stewed fresh rhubarb (drained) and add to it one tablespoonful of preserved ginger syrup. See that the rhubarb has not been stewed to pieces, but left in fairly firm cubes. Make a six-egg omelet, beat the mixture and add if before folding the omelet; serve on a hot plate, dust with powdered sugar, and garnish with cheese toast.

Bombe Marquise

Make a vanilla ice and put in a mold. Grate a little chocolate and just before serving remove a portion with a spoon and fill the vacuum with the grated chocolate. Vanilla ice is sometimes served with hot chocolate poured over it.

Banana Omelet

Add to eight eggs half a gill of cream, a teaspoonful of salt and two saltspoonfuls of white pepper. Beat with a fork for two minutes. Fry two peeled and sliced bananas in butter for five minutes, toss the pan frequently while the bananas are frying and then turn in the eggs. Heat them for two minutes, then let them rest half a minute, fold up the sides, let the omelet stand for a minute, then turn on to a hot dish.

Some Tasty Sandwiches

When you wish to roll sandwiches, use fresh bread and spread very lightly and pin into shape with toothpicks.

To keep sandwiches fresh, wrap napkins as dry as possible from hot water through a wringer, wrap the sandwiches in it and place in an airtight vessel.

Here are some fillings:

Pimento Sandwiches—Chop pimentos and cucumbers, mix with mayonnaise dressing and spread on bread.

Cheese and Olive Sandwiches—Work cream cheese until smooth and creamy, add one-half quantity of olives finely chopped, moisten with mayonnaise dressing. This may be spread between bread or crackers.

Club Sandwiches—Toast a slice of bread and butter it. On one-half put first a thin slice of bacon which has been fried nice and crisp, next add a slice of the white meat of a cold chicken or turkey; over this place a tender leaf of lettuce and cover with layer of mayonnaise.

Cucumber Sandwiches—Take one cucumber and one green or red pepper, chop and mix with mayonnaise dressing. Put on lettuce leaf between thin slices of bread.

Nut Sandwiches—One cupful of finely chopped nuts, two tablespoonfuls of cream, one teaspoonful of mustard, one saltspoonful of salt, dash of cayenne pepper, and the juice of one lemon. Mix all together thoroughly and spread on thin slices of white or Boston brown bread.

Apple Sandwiches—Place between thin slices of buttered bread, thin slices of a tart apple that have been steeped for an hour in a mixture of lemon juice and sugar. Choose apples that are soft and ripe.

Lettuce Sandwiches—The lettuce should be carefully washed and dried and all strings of coarse parts removed before utilizing it. Cover it thickly with a layer of mayonnaise dressing, then place the bread and pressing it together lightly.

In making the sandwiches definite shapes should indicate certain kinds, as for instance, diamond shape for lettuce, triangle for nut sandwiches and square for meat sandwiches.

The Wholesome Garlic
The odoriferous garlic usually frowned down upon by polite circles in this country is not such a bad thing as it is often made to seem. It is a faculty common to other strong natures of making itself friends of the stomach. "Garlic" is a word that has been used by easy stages, first to put down the "garlic" and then to embrace it. From the earliest times garlic has been used as a valuable article of diet. It formed no inconsiderable part of the food of the Israelites in Egypt and during their wanderings in the wilderness they wept, saying: "We remember the fish which we did eat in Egypt freely; the cucumbers and the melons and the leeks and the onions and the garlic." The medicinal properties of garlic were regarded by those old people of the east as especially valuable as a stimulant and for stomach troubles, while to this day it is used as a remedy. As a seasoning herb, garlic is considered invaluable.

Helpful Hints

Poison Ivy

Some children can never go into the country without being poisoned with ivy, while others are unacquainted with the different varieties, a word of explanation may prevent much suffering.

Remember that the poisonous ivy has only three leaves, while the berries of poisonous sumach are white, while red are harmless.

Quinine acts like a charm against ivy poisoning. A solution is made containing sulphate of quinine, six drams; water, four ounces, and is applied to the parts with absorbent cotton.

For the stings of ordinary insects ammonia water, one-half teaspoonful in a cup of water, is good.

"Carbonate of magnesium, two drams; oxide of zinc, two drams; aristol, one and one-half drams; lime water, four ounces.

"Shake mixture well, then pour a little on the poisoned surface, spreading it evenly by using a camel's hair brush. Use the remedy thus every hour; use it freely, for it is harmless. Cool the hot poisoned skin by the use of an ice bag. Keep the skin dry. Fanning the skin makes the remedy dry more quickly. Keep the bottle well corked, for the mixture dries quickly. If the mixture does dry up in the bottle, add more lime water."

Place your material over a cake of white soap when punching eyelets, and you will have a firm edge that cannot ravel, and one that is easily worked over.

GALLANT DEED OF AN UNNAMED HERO

Thrilling Episode of Flanders Battle.

BY W. DOUGLAS NEWTON.

There is a Canadian who lies buried quietly and anonymously somewhere along the tortured British line of Flanders. We do not know his name. We do not know his history. We do not even know where he came from or where he is buried. He is, all the same, one of the great heroes of this great war.

He is exactly that and nothing less. He is that though he and his great deed were quite unknown to us until the middle of this week. His valor would be unrecognized yet, but a politician spoke at the Guildhall meeting, and we know.

This Canadian whose name is unknown, but whose deed will live, was serving a machine gun behind the grim trenches of the battle line. In his little basket of sandbags he kept his deadly little gun at its high note of slaughter, saw that the belts raced through the magazines as his fingers worked the firing mechanism at top speed. The wicked little gun on its tripod was spitting out death with amazing rapidity, the pierce vapor was curling back along the water jacket as it fired, from the short snout of the muzzle little stabs of fire were flickering, incessantly, looking like the red tongue, for ever on the move, of a serpent. Several hundred shots a minute were striking out from the gun, cutting in an almost solid line into the ranks of grey that were coming up across the mud and the shell scars, through the trees, across the ditches and over the ruins of Flanders.

The grey ranks, indeed, were the power of mass. By sheer pack and weight of numbers they hoped to break a way into the British line. As they came on the German artillery was sowing the whole of the defending front with horrible and exploding death. Every kind of shell, from the big and earthshaking howitzer to the deadly and waspish shrapnel, was smashing into the British lines. The shrapnel was cutting down men in groups, high-power shell was blowing its half-dozen to shreds every time it landed fairly; the howitzers were battering the parapets, the strong walls of earth, the massing of timbers and sandbags to pulp with ever vast detonation. The trench was an aching explosion, one gutter of fiery death.

All the same, the Canadian sat firm on the Maxim tripod and kept his bullets singing the fine song of speed and death. The shrapnel balls were flitting up mud all about him, the sandbags were punching down the sandbags on all sides, the crew of his own small gun, he was too busy to be killed, almost on top of him. He shoved the dead men away when they hampered his effort and he went on firing.

He ought to have been killed a time or two. He wasn't the sort to be killed in a hurry; he was too fearless. He should have been badly wounded for every minute he lived. He was not wounded, he was only excessively busy. He was working overtime on the wholesale trade of death, and he was doing it exceedingly well.

Perhaps the Germans recognized this, perhaps it was only chance, but soon his machine gun came in for attention. The shells began to land close, the machine gun was whipped up over his face, the soft and pretty white vapor of the shrapnel began to billow too close. Death was exerting itself in the effort.

up the letters in the office" (she should see the writer's mail).
In the housekeeping department she ridiculed the color scheme suggested for the living room with all the cynical superiority of a girl who once studied art for one year.

On the fashion plate she picked out one rather unattractive hat and held up the whole page to ridicule on the strength of that.

After she had had the magazine down the writer picked it up, and oh, there was so much good in it!

Of course, there was something to criticize, but there certainly wasn't everything to laugh at and criticize and nothing to praise and appreciate. You shouldn't criticize a thing unless you yourself are capable of doing better. As the criticized critic says, "One does not have to be able to lay down a bad one." Nevertheless, hazardous scornful criticism often arouses a feeling of antagonism in the listener, which makes him want to say, "Of course you are much wiser and better than these you criticize."

Self Restraint

Girls of a certain age sometimes get into the habit of saying sharp critical things about everything and everybody that they come into contact with, says the Daily Eastern Argus. It is so easy, it gives one such a feeling of superiority, and it is such a relief to any feeling of temper and annoyance anyone may have. They do not realize how soporific it all sounds until they meet some one else with the same habit, and perhaps even then they criticize instead of recognizing the fault.

The fault is quite common. We are all liable to it, any of us may drift into it if we do not watch and listen to ourselves.

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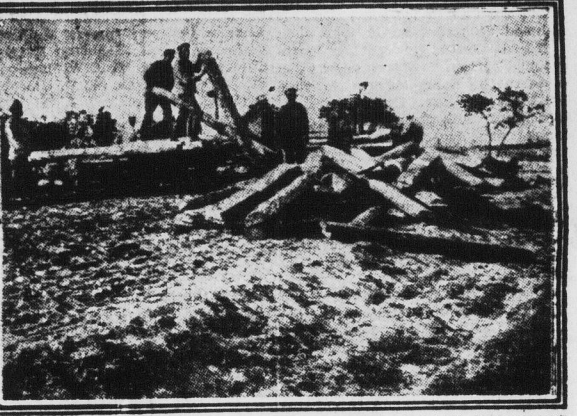
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RUSSIANS BUILDING GUN PLATFORMS



RUSSIANS BRINGING UP MATERIAL FOR GUN PLATFORMS

This photograph was taken during the retreat of the great Russian army from Warsaw. Russian soldiers are seen hauling logs to be used in building a gun platform. The platforms are being built so the large guns can be transferred to the main line, where they will be shipped out of reach of the Germans. Running on a small tramway, little trucks bring the woodwork for the temporary platform. These same trucks are used for transporting wounded soldiers.

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