

Scouts from the North-West Territories and Barbados grouped around polar bear hide brought to the Jamboree by the Aklavik Scouts.

town located amidst some of the most beautiful park-land in Ontario. However, during August 1955 it might be said that it literally became a League of Nations. During that month it was probably busier than it has ever been or ever will be again. Every day tons of equipment were shipped to the camp site in preparation for the big event and during the Jamboree special buses and trains brought visitors by the hundred. The main visitors' entrance to the camp site was decorated on the left with a steel pylon on which was the word "Jamboree" in vertical lettering. Below this was an attractive flower bed with the name "New Horizons" in floral design. On the opposite side of the entrance was the ticket office contained in a log bastion, erected specifically for the occasion. Inside the camp site a large arena was erected for the ceremonial functions and for the various contingent pageants which were performed every evening before capacity crowds. Immediately in front of the arena was the flag plaza containing the national flags of every country represented at the Jamboree. Highlighting this plaza was a spectacular floral bed depicting the First Class Badge of Scouting. A total of more than 3,600 plants was used in the design.

The camp was divided into ten sub-camps—Pacific, Rocky Mountain, Prairie, St. Lawrence, Hudson Bay, Timberlands, Great Lakes, Bonaventure, Alouette and Atlantic—each having its own Chief and Liaison Officers. The sub-camps were again broken down into the various contingents. The contingents consisted of troops of 33 boys and three leaders. Of course many of the contingents from foreign countries did not have 33 representatives and could not therefore be sub-divided in this manner.

For this enormous family it was necessary of course to have adequate hospital facilities. This need was filled by a United Services hospital being set up in the school at Niagara-on-the-Lake. This temporary establishment was staffed by nine doctors, two dentists, 17 nurses, a matron and 52 other ranks. Administering to the spiritual needs of the Scouts were almost 50 chaplains of whom approximately 30 were permanently in camp. These chaplains represented more than 12 denominations.