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### Boy Scout and Girl Guide Week Next

The middle of February brings with it each year the annual observance of Boy Scout Week. This year the sister organization, the Girl Guides, is joining in and some 160,000 young Canadians are taking part in the week's activities. Boy Scout-Girl Guide Week is seven days in the year when these youth organization make a special effort to let the public know just what Scouting and Guiding are contributing to the upbuilding of Canada's youth as serving citizens of the community.

The Boy Scout and Girl Guide movements stand out in direct contrast to the Nazi youth movement The Hitler youth is inoculated with a doctrine of racial superiority, of hate, of brutality, and of greed. The Scout-Guide movement is the antithesis of Nazism. It seeks to inculcate a directly opposite philosophy. It seeks through its world-wide ramifications to breed respect for, and fellowship with all races, all colors, all creeds. It seeks to foster a spirit of goodwill in contrast to hate. It teaches respect for the physical and mental feelings of all peoples It teaches the sharing of life's good things with one's neighbor.

It has been said that the Founder of the Scout and Guide movements, Lord Baden-Powell of Gilwell died a broken hearted man in 1941, because Scouting and Guiding had not brought peace to this troubled world. If he did, he never revealed it to his closest associates. Scouting and Guiding aims at a world brotherhood. It could hardly be expected that in little more than a generation it could accomplish what the Christian church has striven for centuries to accomplish. But like the church it is working to that end.

Together with all other agencies and forces of goodwill this purpose will eventually be achieved. During this Boy Scout-Girl Guide Week the public is asked to see Scouting and Quiding in action, to learn more fully its purposes, and in the knowledge gained to give it the moral support that the movement deserves. The thousands of young men and women who are to-day giving voluntary leadership to Scout and Guide Groups, are rendering a service to Canada, which if not publicly applauded, must give, them a tremendous amount of satisfaction.

# Rural Housing

These are trying times for city dwellers. Nobody knows quite where they all came from-there reem to be so many more than there were before the warand so many of them haven't a proper place in which to live. There just are not enough houses to go round, it seems.

But in the midst of all this concentration on housing for city dwellers and war workers there must come a day when somebody gets around to thinking about housing for the farmers. Theirs is a crying need too. The problem goes back to depression days when city dwellers and farmers alike had little money. The city dweller, if need be, just moved to 'cheaper accommodation. But not the farmer. He was forced to stay with his land. And with his house.

But what of this house? Things being as they were he couldn't repair it-repairs cost too, much, So, in so many cases, the wind and the weather wen to work. And then came the war and with it a rush for materials, and, eventually, the priorities which left the farmers' housing needs far behind.

Now it is virtually a matter of no opportunity for proper repairs to rural dwellings, despite improved farm prices, until the end of the war. And get' anything better. --

must not be forgotten. One official estimate of part of the editor and staff to make it as interesting some months ago was that 125,000 farmers were as the comments indicate. Gananoque Reporter.

living in homes not fit for habitation in Canada. PRESENTS FILM TO Some 200,000 other farm homes were desperately in need of repair. The farmers cannot be blamed overmuch if he wonders, smid all this talk of envergency housing measures for urban areas; where to get the wherewithal to fix up his place and when.

#### Slow on Paying for Utopia

The very alow progress of Saskatchewan Indus. trial Development Bond sales seems to indicate that accialists would prefer to have Utopia built with somebody clac's money. Certainly, there is a notable in in-thief, it if & F overseas lack of enthusiasm for the Douglas drive to get \$1 million to finance the Government's excursion into the formation and management of industrial enter-

(XIF party machinery has been harnessed for the job of persuading the cilizenry, with the various and powerful means at the command of the reigning nolitical party, into buying these bonds. But despite these vigorous sales efforts over three weeks and a vast amount of propaganda over a much longer period, only about half the target sum of \$1 million generation. had been raised by the end of January.

About 500 people are trying to sell the bonds. The drive was to have ended February 3, but the response has been so poor the closing date has been R. A. F. Bring Back Wounded from Normandy extended to February 28. In view of the unparalleled prosperity of Saskatchewan and the fact that its people promptly raised \$50 millions for Victory Bonds, this record is scarcely a triumph. Though 208,891 Saskatchewans voted CCF, there are only about 800 applications in for the Industrial Development Bonds so far.

To the end of January sales to individuals total: led \$214,600, to other than individuals, \$108,150. Among the latter were 11 co-operatives. Of more than 300 rural municipalities two subscribed for a total of \$2,000 Of more than 5,000 school districts. one had subscribed \$200. Merchants and private companies, totalling 15, had subscribed \$73,700. The Financial Post.

### The Evidence Grows

One mounting proof of the cumulative evils produced by the increased consumption of alcohol is the number of articles appearing in secular publications Digests and photo-magazines, high-class monthlies and popular weeklies are featuring discussions dealing realistically with the drink habit. Even the funny strips now expose and ridicule the social misdemeanors of intoxicated drinkers.

Recently the photo magazine "Look," had a-full page picture and a full page article presenting a family clinic study of the problem. The article must have given a stiff jolt to the smooth speaking publicists who produce propaganda for the liquor trade. In matter of fact terms it was shown that liquor causes deterioration of personality. The difficulties of recovery were not minimized. Detailed suggestions were given as to the methods for travelling the long road back to recovery. Unabashedly the psychologists conducting the family clinic gave total abstinence as the only cure.

There is more actual truth in one such voluntary factual study than in a thousand highly colored lithographed advertisements paid for out of the huge profits of distillers and brewers. Publishers know what has reader interest. In this case the reader interest arises from the personal problems and social scandals created by the consumption of beverage alcohol. The facts are coming out. The hush-hush policy of the immediate post-prohibition period is at an end .- Temperance Advocate.

# **EDITORIAL NOTES**

If you think winter will never end just look at the seed catalogues and copy their faith. Anyway it will be a change from viewing and passing uncomplimentary remarks about the snowbanks.

Boy Scout membership in Canada rose to over 94,000 in 1944, an increase of approximately 7,000 over...1943. There are approximately 67,000 Girl Guides and Brownies in Canada and the number is, steadily increasing.

Ontario is drinking 75 per cent, more beer than hve years ago, and in the past year alone the increase ; was 28 per cent with a consumption of 31, million. gallons in November. If nothing else, remarks the Chesley Enterprise, it will please the brewers and the governments.

One of the highlights of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association semi-annual meeting of the Board of Directors in Ottawa, this week will be a joint broadcast by the president, F. P. Galbraith, the editor of the Red Deer, Alberta, Advocate, and first vice-president Hugh, Templin, editor of the Fergus -News-Record. They will speak on the part played by weekly newspapers in Canadian life. The broadcast will be on Saturday, next February 17th, from 7.45 to 8 p.m. over CBG.

One of the highlights of publishing a weekly; newspaper are the compliments which some of our the farmer, so caught, has said little up to now and subscribers take time to send when remitting their probably has sympathized with the city folk who Fayments for renewals, or their encouraging remarks follow the war jobs and pay exhorbitant rents for casually left, like a breath of spring air, when they! apartments and houses or for rooms if they can't call at our office. We like people to like our paper because, and especially so since enough help has been But when reconstruction time comes the farmer unprocurable, it has meant a lot of hard work on the

# CANUCK AIR CADETS

LONDON (CP) A copy of the Air Training Copps film "Sons of the Air" has been presented to the Air Cadets

The morie was made available by J. Arthur Rank, British Blin magnate digitish Caumont Pictures, present ed by Air Marshal Sir Lealle Gesange, chief commandant of the A.T.C., and necepted by Air Maishat N. R. Attletwee, deputy all offices command

The picture depicts the work of the A 'T C', since its formation early in the war to train the youth of Bellale for ultimate it A F service. It is expected the film will be shown in Canadian theatres but arrangements all be made by littawa

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#### ARMY NURRES SERVE IN BURMA AND AHRAM

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NEW DELHI (CF) Hehind the lines in Hurma and Assam, where the lagrary of was are never far away, Indian and littleh women of the nursing services are encrying on their great mission. Of their featlesaness, entlette and tireless devotion to duly

The muses are atways the first of the women's perviews to follow the lighting men into action. Serving to frelia and fluring new are members of Queen Alexander's Imperial Mititary finishing Service, who were with the British expeditionary force in France in 1940, women who served in the retreat to funkerque but continued with their work of comforting and bealing men

YORKTON, Sask (CP) Jim Tul DUBLIN (CT) Fishermen on the lockins added a male peacock to his outheast coast of Erie are thousands pen of fancy birds. Other birds in of journes down on their winter her. the pen include a pair of allver phasering season one of the worst for a anta, several South American birds and two wild Egyptian gerar



Nursing Orderly, Leading Aircraftwoman P Bradburn, of Sale Cheshire, checking her patients for transport by air from Normandy to the United Kingdom

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