

Fierce wind...

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tentpole fell and hit his head. Friends said he was unconscious three minutes. "When I woke up my sleeping bag had blown off me, my clothes were soaked, and the hail was coming down and pelting me in the face. The tent was gone, completely gone," he said.

One youth was treated for leg cuts inflicted when he was trapped in a tent and tried to hack his way out with a hatchet. Officials said there was little panic among the campers, thanks to the leaders who kept the boys busy throughout the storm.

Jeff Bustard, Ottawa, said he was frightened for a while. "It was okay when it was just raining, but the hail and the wind scared me a little. We had to sit on our tent to make sure it wouldn't blow away." Would he go to another Jamboree? "Oh yeah, it's fun, even this is fun," came the answer as he munched on a sandwich at St. Paul's Church.

Ron Tinker of the Bahamas troop said "I expected some thunder, lightning and slight rain, but man, that's too much for me." He was in his tent and "I knew our tent was going to go, so just as I went out it fell and the pole grazed my head."

A Scouter from Toronto said he had been rained out of lots of camps in his life, "but never washed right out. This was a washout." He said in 15 years of Scouting he had never seen anything like it.

Program staffer Rena Gruhl, Welland, was in the dining tent when it went. "We held it up by sheer numbers. When the winds and rain let up we let the boys come in. We had an assembly line and we dried them off with towels. We tried to keep the excitement down and we got them singing songs."

"There was no time, one minute I was up and the next minute I was down," recalled staffer Herb Lion of London. He had just finished checking the grounds to make sure all was secure for the expected rainstorm. He said he was amazed at the speed with which the storm hit.

A Toronto Scouter said he was relaxing over a cigarette and a

coffee at his campsite. "The first thing I saw, the end tent was flying in the air, about 20 feet away. It picked up our picnic table, bent the steel ridge pole and dropped it on me."

A Michigan Scouter said it was the worst storm he had ever seen. "I spent 16 months in Korea living in a tent, and I saw lots of rain, but never anything like that," he asserted.

"The rain was coming down but the wind was blowing it horizontally," said a Guelph Scout. "You couldn't see 15 feet in front of you."

The evacuation procedure was orderly. Every available bus and truck on the grounds was called into service, and George Inglis of Campbellville rushed a bus to the scene to assist. Police and private cars helped carry the soaking Scouts to town.

It looked like a scene from a war movie at times. Whipped into good spirits by their leaders, the Scouts marched down the road singing a variety of pathetically funny songs, like "All-a-wetta, jolly all-a-wetta" and "If you're happy and you know it stamp your feet" as they marched through a fast-flowing stream the size of a small river. Other songs included "It ain't gonna rain no more, no more..." and "Row, row, row your boat."

One Scouter walked out the gate, barefoot and bareheaded, with nothing but a bathing suit on and a wet towel around his shoulders. He was whistling "April Showers."

The spirit of the boys turned the disaster into a heart-warming scene. Whole troops of boys chanted and sang as they marched out of the flattened campsite.

One barefoot lad marched three miles carrying his troop's Canadian flag, still attached to part of the flagpole. He finally accepted a ride to town.

About 600 Scouts and leaders from Subcamp Four were the luckiest of all, for they were at the Canadian National Exhibition all day. It didn't even rain in Toronto and they couldn't believe the stories of disaster when they arrived back in Milton.

Two busloads returned from the C.N.E. but the remainder of those on tour were billeted in Fort York Armouries in Toronto for the night, driven to Brampton for breakfast, and returned to the campsite around noon Friday. Many lost valuable possessions in the storm but they escaped the dampening experienced by boys from the other three subcamps.

By midnight all the boys had been either bedded down in a public hall or assigned to a private home for the night.

Next morning all reported back to the arena after breakfast (those in private homes ate there, those in public halls headed for Ontario School for the Deaf for breakfast) and then were bussed back to Kelso to clean up their campsites and head for home. Insurance adjustors spent the morning sorting through the ruins and estimating the damage, and tight security was kept on the camp all night long. Thousands of dollars worth of tents, clothing, cooking utensils, musical instruments and even wallets lay soaking in the subcamp tents.

All but about 200 of the Jamboree campers went home Friday. The rest left Saturday on buses, trains and planes which had been booked for them earlier. Officials and staff remained at the campsite all weekend, cleaning up the remains of what was, until supertime Thursday, a very successful Jamboree '68.

Lt. Governor opens first Ont. Jamboree

The natural amphitheatre at Kelso Scout Jamboree saw the Lt. Governor officially open the first Ontario Jamboree at Kelso Sunday Afternoon. A huge stage backdrop with a psychedelic Scout crest was used for the opening while thousands of Scouts and visitors covered the hillside to view and hear the province's patron of Scouting.

The Burlington Marching Band provided music as Lt. Governor the Hon. W. Ross Macdonald and Scout officials approached the stage with an O.P.P. motorcycle escort, accompanied by his Aide-de-Camp (a Scout Venturer advisor).

A former Scouter from Brantford, he spoke of "Brotherhood in Scouting". Part of his talk to the boys was on their responsibility as Scouts and growing members of this society to think ahead, and those old enough now, to practice and strive for driver safety on the country's highways. The Lt. Governor mentioned a statistics comparison of

casualties of the Vietnam war and the U.S.A. highway traffic fatalities.

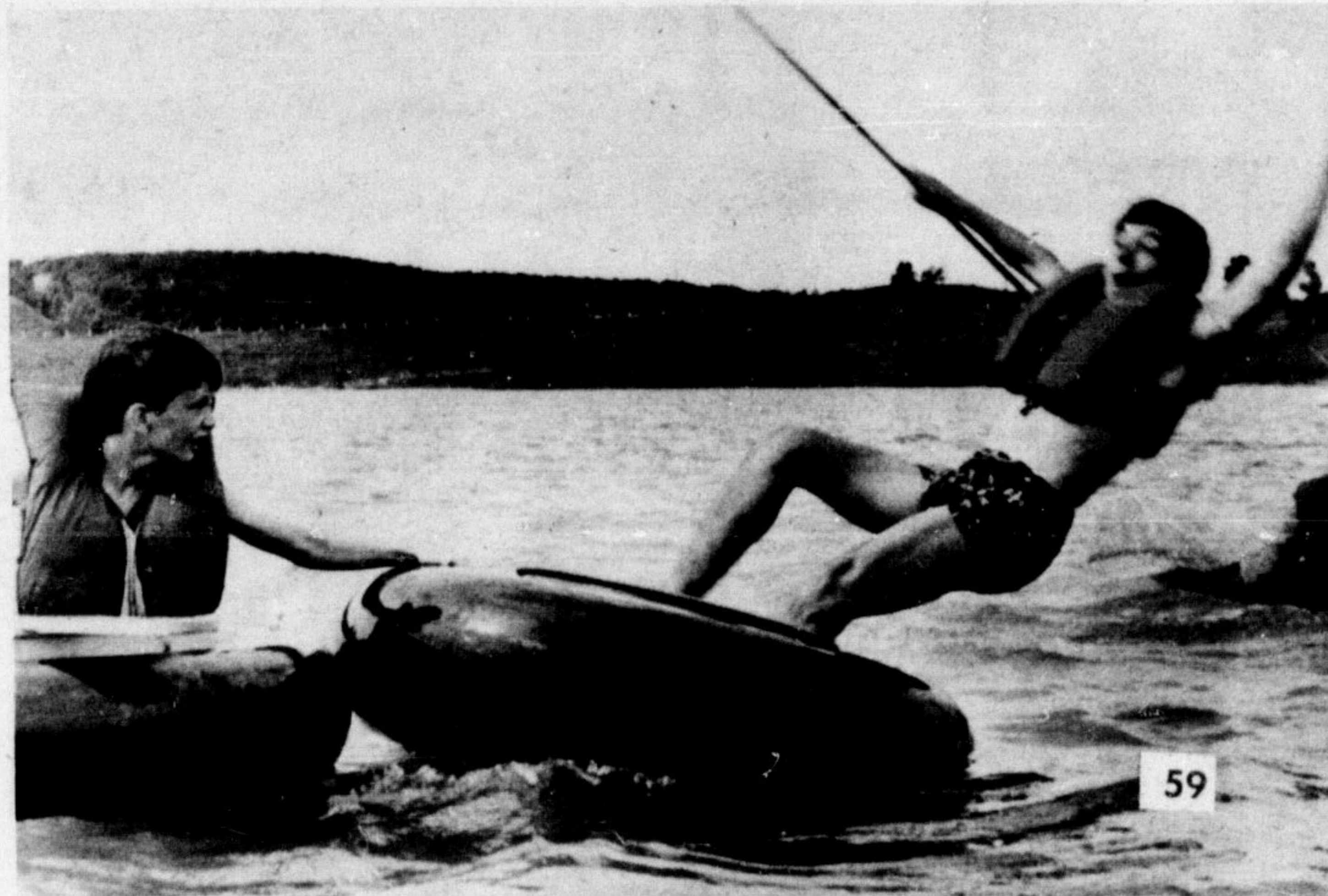
The Jamboree was officially opened and a rocket burst high overhead, releasing a set of Canadian and U.S.A. flags which floated over the huge tent city. While the Burlington Band played popular selections, the Lt. Governor accompanied by Scout officials toured the Sub-Camp areas - OZHEETA ("He is prepared"); DABWA ("He Speaks the Truth"); NUHETUM ("He is Obedient"); and SOONGEDAA ("He is Bold").

Later a chance to meet participating Scouts and Scouters was afforded the Lt. Governor at a "tea" in a marquee tent. This was gracefully put on by the Ladies of the Provincial Auxiliary. The boys and the Lt. Governor conversed freely on the Scouting movement, and those from foreign countries attending the Jamboree were especially welcomed.

Where they came from

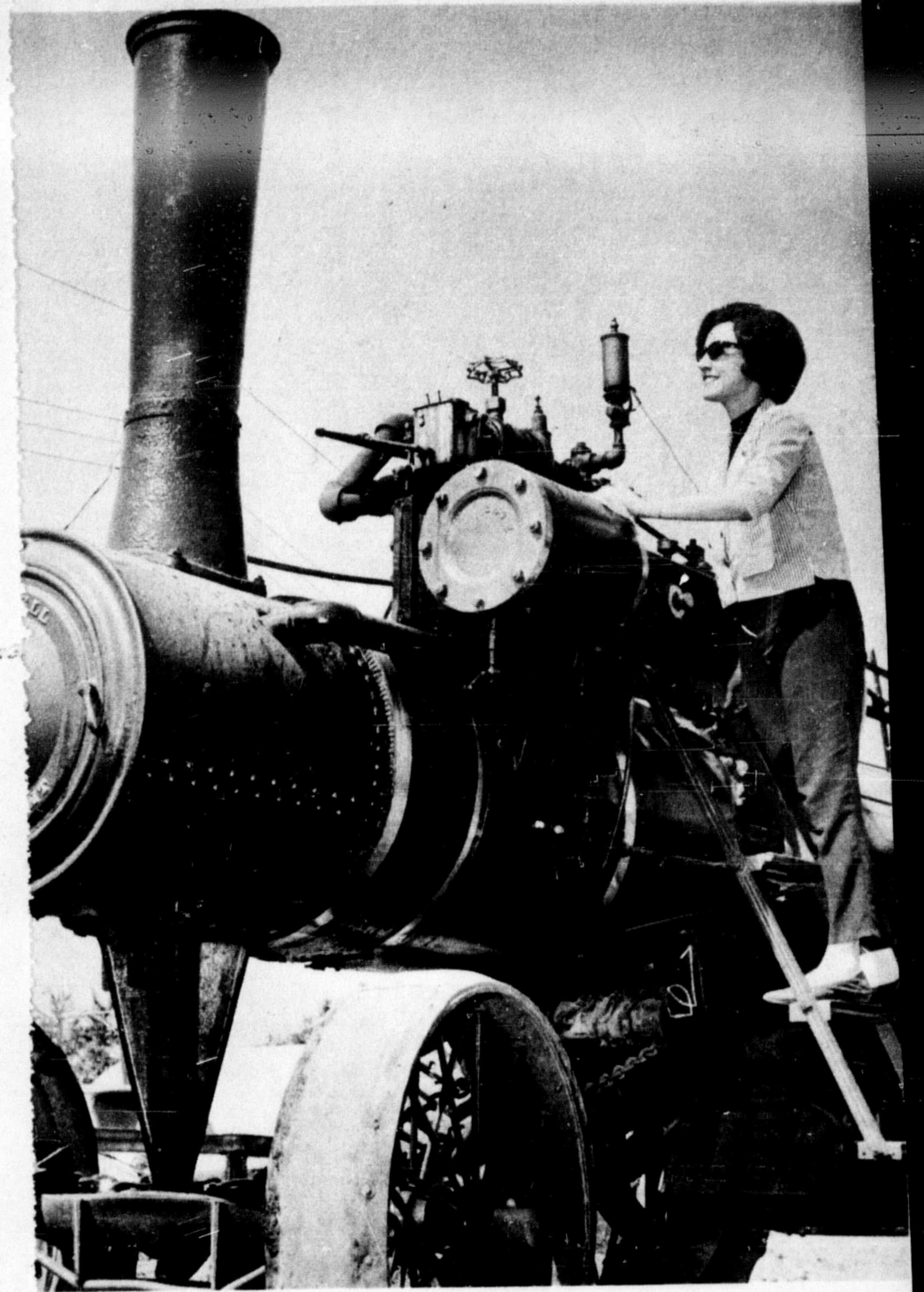
Where did they come from? Here's a rough breakdown on the distribution of Scouts attending last week's Jamboree '68:

Jamaica.....	8
Bermuda.....	9
Dominican Republic.....	2
Michigan.....	56
California.....	47
Pennsylvania.....	36
New York state.....	7
Quebec.....	38
British Columbia.....	35
Alberta.....	33
Saskatchewan.....	26
Newfoundland.....	23
New Brunswick.....	17
Prince Edward Island.....	15
Nova Scotia.....	6
Ontario.....	1,896
TOTAL BOYS.....	2,254
Leaders.....	208
Staffers.....	350
JAMBOREE TOTAL.....	2,812



ONE THING ABOUT A JAMBOREE is the variety of fun to be had by the boys, regardless of age, color or religion. Above, Photo 58 was taken in the Youth and His Music tent where all it took was a pianist and a guitar to round up a crowd of singers one evening. (Honest,

there's a piano and a guitar somewhere in the middle of that mob). In Photo 59, water sports included a few spills and this boy wasn't the only one to get a dunking when it was time to play in the cockleshell boats.



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n, new zoning by-law for expanding town

law for the town as it January 1. The necessity of control over the land use of the annexed areas of and Esquesing. He said "Esquesing is vulnerable" and has over the land. He urged the board to pass a temporary by-law to prevent helter development between

planning board committee of adjustment down and minimize land separations until

He explained a subdivision control by-law was necessary to control the chopping up of land without consent of the town. According to the Ontario Municipal Act Milton will inherit Esquesing's by-law governing land separations.

Mr. Little explained pre-engineering studies would be necessary involving water, sewage and drainage facilities.

He said the Official Plan for Milton as it now stands is obsolete. "You need an overall plan showing you where you are going, where and what kind of apartments you want, where to put schools and parks, where there are inadequate services and how all this relates to the road patterns."

The consultant said all of this had to be done "to get the house in order" and once the house was in order it was time to put the teeth into the official plan and zoning by-law.

Mr. Little said the present zoning by-law needed a rigorous overhauling.

Then there was the problem of money. When board chairman Norm Pearce asked Mayor Best what the town's standpoint would be as far as financing goes, it was explained the town would already be faced with a deficit this year and was also faced with the tight money situation. He said the town would want an estimate of what the job would cost before committing themselves.

Planning Board member Harold Funk suggested they were caught "somewhere in between the devil and the deep blue sea. We can't afford to go ahead and can't afford to stop. You have to think of the town's image," Mr. Funk said. "We worked all these years to get annexation and now that we

have it, we'll have to show we can handle it." Mayor Best countered with "would you buy a Cadillac if you could only afford a Pontiac?"

Chairman Norm Pearce said he realized the town had to demonstrate fiscal responsibility but added the procedures were necessary and the brakes shouldn't be put on.

Mayor Best said he did not advocate putting the brakes on but did not want to give anybody an okay to go ahead until council definitely knew where the costs lay.

Consultant Little told the board the heaviest costs would come near the end rather than at the beginning, and most of the billing would be done after the new year.

The Board passed a resolution asking council to authorize Mr. Little and his company to prepare a plan of subdivision for the new town and to present an estimate of the costs for the By-Law and Official Plan to the council.

Steam-Era traffic heavy

Traffic to the Steam-Era was described as heavy by local police but moved smoothly, with vehicles up on the Saturday compared to previous years. Much of the traffic moved out during the late-afternoon rain hit.

Saturday, however, was a bad day for accidents with four accidents investigated.

Two accidents occurred on Thursday of last week.

Cancel winter work benefits Milton projects not affected

The announcement that federal Winter Work benefits would be discontinued has not seriously affected any current municipal projects in Milton, Treasurer Mrs. A. Brush indicated this week.

There was some consideration that extensions to the present trunk sewer might benefit from the program if it were continued, but no extensions of it have yet received the necessary approvals. On the extension of the

sewage treatment plant in 1965, the town received \$27,000 in winter work benefits. On the Kelso water line the federal support was \$5,500 and last year on the town's removal of trees that had died from Dutch Elm disease, the benefit was \$1,600.

The winter work program paid toward labor involved in special projects undertaken during a stated period of winter months. Prime Minister Trudeau announced Friday the program would not be renewed.

Jamboree canteen

One of the busiest places around Jamboree '68 was the canteen, where every boy with money to spend headed whenever he had a spare minute.

Canteen manager Stan Richardson reports the canteen did a roaring trade for the week. Business was suspended early, however. One of the largest tents, it was one of the first to collapse during the heavy wind that preceded Thursday's devastating rain. Officials in the canteen were unable to give any official estimates of the property damage (or revenue loss) during Friday's clean-up.

The trading post featured apparel, books and Scouting equipment shipped in from Scout headquarters at Ottawa. The canteen also included a post office, film and photography supplies booth, souvenirs, pastries, and a snack bar that must have dispensed a million drinks during the week. A staff of 44, headed by Mr. Richardson, finance chairman Bob Taylor and trading post convener Les Wheeler, manned the canteen for the week and all were volunteers.

and 7; the new Safety Corner, 10; Editorials and columnists, B2; Youth Front, B3; Letters of thanks from our Boy Scout friends, B8; Farm news, B9; Women's news and weddings, B10; and Jim Snow's report on the recent session of the Ontario Legislature, B11.

Phony bank inspector bilks woman of \$300

The phony "bank inspector" racket has hit Milton again and a local woman lost \$300 in a new version of the old con game last week.

Milton Police urge everyone to beware of callers who represent themselves as bank inspectors or employees of a bank. Sgt. J. K. [Name] of the police force said they usually prey on elderly people.

In last week's fraud, a lady received a telephone call from a man representing himself as an employee of a local bank. He said he wanted to check the \$10 and \$20 bills she received when

she cashed her old age pension cheque, because the bank was afraid there may have been some counterfeit money in the bills she received.

When the man arrived at her home he said some of the bills were bogus and he took all the money "back to the bank to check it over." Of course he never returned and by the time the incident was reported to police, it was too late.

Sgt. Robertson said several other local residents were telephoned with the same or slightly different come-ons. Fortunately, only the one woman was gyped.



STEAM-ERA FROM THE AIR... Many visitors at the 1968 steam and antique reunion enjoyed a view of the big show from the air, when they took a helicopter sightseeing flight with Doug Green of Milton. A staff photographer joined in the fun Monday and snapped this aerial view from about 300 feet above the south-east corner of the fair grounds. In the

foreground are the steam engines while gas tractors circle the far side of the ball diamond. In the background are the steam trains, food tents and gas engine displays, while along the left side are the grandstand and models hall and the barn of yesteryear.

(Staff Photo)