

## Leadership Has its Own Romance and Adventure

Second of a Series of Articles Written as a Plea for Volunteer Leadership in the Boy Scout Movement. Leaders are Needed in Both Scout and Cub Units. The Appeal is to All.

(By E. B. R.)

Our youth, thousands of men, thousands of boys! "Adult Leaders" and "Potential Leaders!" Here we find great possibilities of adventure—adventuring with humans. Human beings as a vocation.

The world, says a cynic, would be a fine place if it weren't for the people. But the world can be made a fine place because of the people. Someone has said wisely, if you are going to plant one year, plant grain; if you are going to plant ten years, plant trees; and if you are going to plant one hundred years, plant men.

There is one particular in which this present age is unique and that is the rise in the importance of the vocational. For a time the colleges and the secondary schools were highly vocationalized or vocational in their emphasis. The curriculum became commercialized. Now there is rather abruptly the recognition and the advancement of the vocational. What was once extra curricular now becomes curricular. Here opens a wide field for human leadership. In the humanities and in the arts and crafts and in social service. It opens opportunities for the adventure into the beautiful and into the useful and the cultural.

It has been said, "The Scout Movement is a great educational movement for building of strong personalities capable of rendering service to our country. The development of strong personalities that cannot be regimented. Who will face questions bravely and independently."

Oh, the heart-warming thrill of steering youth into lives of usefulness! Oh, the romance of dealing with youth in the days of their youth! Of helping youth pack for life's journey! Think of the thrill of the human side of community building, of seeing youth in action with their high ideals. The adventure of seeing youth grow in responsibility. An American Executive has said, "It seems to me Scouting opens the door to a boy's heart as do few programmes. The results," he continues, "are beyond belief. Nothing stirs me so much like meeting youth, whom I know are to be leaders." Dr. Coffman says: "Youth come to the campus as mavericks—no brand on them. Plastic, open-minded, idealistic." Think of the potentialities of leadership with youth. Think of the romance in dealing with youth. Have you seen your youth grow up? "Sitting on a log with a boy back from China reviewing what he thought you had done for him."

In a study made by Stevens Institute, it was discovered that the best measurement of success in youth is the extent of their vocabulary, the number of words they use. It is an index to other characteristics. Well, Scouting with its varied activities and its whole field of adventure, opens up to boys a romance of leadership and the opportunities of an extensive vocabulary. It provides him with many contacts in his environment and opens up to him a larger world.

Carroll says so well: "There is a humeral personality as well as there is a mental personality. Every man is a history unlike all others. We are different. We are uncommon. We are distant. This the most cheering fact in that persons are different." That's why personality emerges in such unexpected places. Genius belongs to no one group. It is quite evenly distributed over society. Therefore we need the leadership of the common man. "The world is made up of average people. It is so in business, it is so in wealth, it is so in brains, it is so in goodness."

There is romance in fellowship. There are wonderful spiritual adventures in fellowship. How rich this fellowship may be!

It is possible for every man to be useful. There is romance for the common and the commonplace. Men often get discouraged because they haven't the mystic qualities for great leadership. And yet we find in Scouting ordinary men doing extraordinary things. Scouting has helped so many unknown yet capable men who though lacking opportunity for education have made real contributions to their communities. Under the spell of its definite programme, under its brotherly fellowship, because of its pan-sectarian breadth, its inter-racial principle, men grow and expand and broaden and deepen. Scouting has been an anchor of faith for men by giving them an opportunity for leadership that broadened and developed them.

This is the second in a series of articles as a plea for volunteer leadership in the Boy Scout Movement. Leaders are needed in both Scout and Cub units. Scoutmasters and Cubmasters should be over 21 years of age and as assistants 18. Ladies may be leaders in Cubbing. Inquiries should be made to any Scoutmaster or Cubmaster, to Mr. J. D. McLean, president of the Timmins Boy Scouts Association, or to E. B. Rowe, District Scoutmaster, Box 1428, Timmins.

The source of material for articles one and two, "Romance in Scouting" and "The Romance of Leadership" was

## Uses Snowplane in Patrol of Communication Lines

The following paragraph from The Haileyburyian last Thursday will remind people in this district of the snowmobile used for years here by Dr. E. A. F. Day in reaching patients in the country around Timmins when the weather and road conditions ruled out ordinary motor traffic. Dr. Day's snowmobile did the work well and there were few places in the district where it did not go at one time or another. The article referred to in The Haileyburyian read as follows:—

"Haileybury people had a look at an unusual vehicle yesterday, when T. J. Laprade of Ville Marie drove his snowplane across the lake on a short visit here. The machine is driven by an aeroplane propeller and a Ford V8 engine mounted at the rear, and runs on three skis. Mr. Laprade is a patrol man for the C.P.R. Communications, covering the route between Ville Marie and Rouyn, and uses the machine in his

daily trips, making 25 to 30 miles per hour. It is capable of much higher speeds, however, and on the lake he drove between 50 and 60 miles. Three persons can sit comfortably in the vehicle, the body of which is built somewhere between a motor car and an aeroplane."

## Asked for Five Hundred Dollars on Long Term Note

(From "Grab Samples")  
A note from a prominent mining executive intrigues: "Talk about your 'Grab Samples,' I sure have one in a touch I received to-day from a chap soliciting my help to take care of his needs over the holidays. He says (and this chap is a university graduate and credited with having a fairly brilliant mind), "if out of the goodness of your heart you would advance me \$500 on my note, I would be everlastingly indebted to you," and although I can't turn a deaf ear to his plea, I am sure he is telling me the truth."

## To Rebuild Hudson Bay Store - House at Temagami

The Hudson Bay Post at Bear Island, destroyed by fire a few weeks ago, will be rebuilt this winter, according to reports from Temagami. The manager of the famous company paid a visit to the island a short time ago and arranged for the rebuilding of the store and dwelling on the same site, where it has stood for many years and where there is a considerable trade carried on. The warehouse of the company was saved from the flames when the store building was destroyed, and the manager, Sherman Thorpe, lost the contents of his living rooms which were in the upper storey. Some difficulty was experienced in supplying the 100 or more inhabitants on the island, as the fire occurred just after navigation closed and before the ice was safe for travel.

Toronto Telegram:—Some fellows are off like a shot when it comes to getting half-shot.

## Alleged Gunman Sent to Haileybury From Hearst

Reesor Man Said to Have Shot at Settlers. Taken into Custody After a Thrilling Capture by Provincial Constable Ralph Crozier.

Described as a gunman who took two shots at settlers drawing wood and who was taken into custody after a thrilling capture by Provincial Constable Ralph Crozier, John Peltonen, near Reesor, about 30 miles from Hearst, was removed to the jail at Haileybury last week.

Peltonen was declared insane when he appeared before Magistrate E. R. Tucker Tuesday. At the Hearst hearing Doctors Kinneard and Rever declared the man insane.

He was brought to Hearst the previous Thursday evening after a spectacular arrest in the man's shack. Crozier,

proceeding alone, entered the cabin just as Peltonen is alleged to have drawn a gun. The officer leaped at him, knocking the muzzle of the gun out of the way with one fist and landing a telling punch on the man's chin with the other.

Receiving an urgent message from Reesor that there was a gunman in the bush, Constable Crozier rushed to the spot by snowmobile and on arrival was advised that while drawing wood two settlers had been fired at and that their horses had been dropped.

The incident aroused so much alarm that children were not allowed to go to their homes after school that day, but remained at nearby farms until the arrest was made.

The officer awaited nightfall and on approaching Peltonen's shack found all windows tightly blanketed. When within eight feet of the door he heard in broken English, "Who's there?" and, awaiting no further developments, he rushed into the one-room shack where he saw Peltonen drawing a .22 Special Winchester from a hook.

Crozier jumped over the bed and was able to push the muzzle of the gun away with one fist and land a blow on the man's chin with the other. Amid the screaming of the man's wife and daughter, Peltonen regained consciousness and another struggle occurred before he was subdued. Peltonen is also said to have acted in a violent manner during the trip to Hearst.

It is claimed that Peltonen was only released in April from a mental institution where he had spent three years.

## Gilded Lead Found in Raid at Toronto

City Police on Quest for Illegal Liquor Discover Fake Gold.

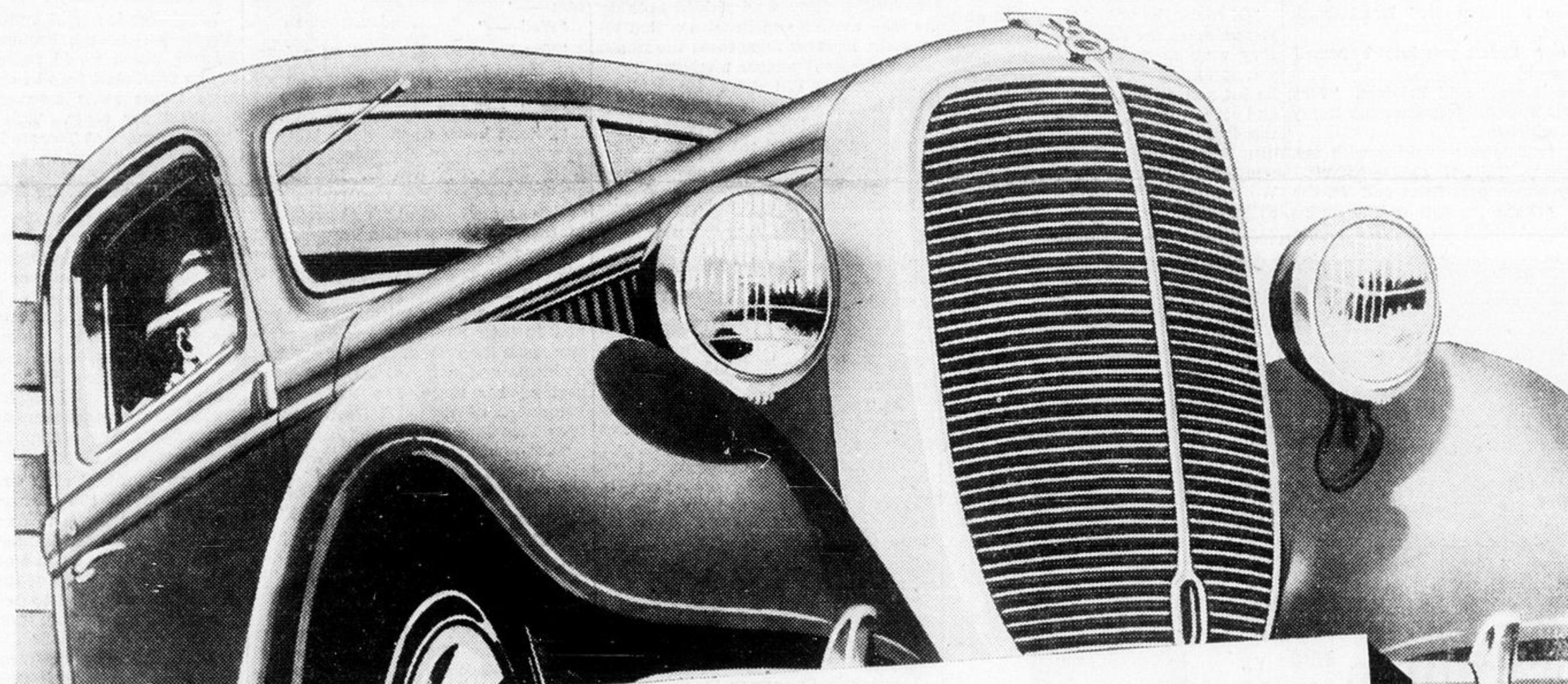
While searching a house on Gerrard street, east, Toronto, last week, the city police found a small sack of lead shavings treated with a gold solution, a revolver, a jeweler's scale, a bottle of nitric acid. Victor Dillulo, who was found in the house, was arrested and charged with having a revolver without a permit. Two other men were subsequently taken into custody and held on vagrancy counts. After a test of the shavings in the laboratory, the police said the highly scientific treatment of the lead made it almost impossible to detect the difference between it and genuine gold dust. The reaction to the acid test was weak, it was announced. According to the officers, Dillulo said he had worked in Kirkland Lake and some one had given him the parcel containing the shavings to safeguard. The gun, he is reported to have stated, was purchased from another man on the street, and he intended to sell it at a profit. Plainclothesmen Codlin and Train found the gun and nitric acid in the cellar of the house. Ripping up the floor in an upstairs bedroom, they found the lead shavings and scales.

It is to be hoped that the police will make a thorough investigation of the fake gold business with a view to tracking it to its source. In all this high-grade, hi-jacking of high-grade, and private detective plans to catch high-grade dealers, there is so much of the objectionable that it is something was done to do away with the whole performance. If the Toronto police can start something in this line they will be doing a general service.

## Progress Report on the Presdor Porcupine Mines

The following progress report was issued a few days ago to the shareholders of the Presdor Porcupine Gold Mines: "Since our last report to you the programme of diamond drilling has been carried out in accordance with the plans outlined by Mr. Hamlin B. Hatch, our geologist. The report on the various holes is as follows: "Number 1 hole—Was sunk to a depth of 1000 feet. It was entirely a pilot hole for the purpose of securing geological information. It definitely located one of the important structural features of the Porcupine camp. "Number 2 hole—Has been completed to 800 feet and is still in fine looking material. "Number 3 hole—Is down 150 feet and is still in hardpan. We should reach bedrock anytime. We have every hope of cutting an extension of the Augaurita zone with this hole. "Number 4 hole—Has reached a depth of 568 feet. From 380 to 568 feet the core was in a shear zone showing a good deal of quartz, mineralized chloritic schist, mineralized syenite porphyry and mineralized gray porphyry. Several samples have been taken for assay, the results of which will be available shortly. "Your directors feel from the above reports that there is every reason to be optimistic as to the ultimate result of our drilling programme."

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