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# WITH THE LONE SCOUTS

News this week comes from West-ern Ontario, where Lone Scout Boost-ers have been at work in Lucan and Drumbo, with the result that several new members have joined our ranks in those places, and appearances seem to indicate the speedy formation of Lone Patrols in those two centres. All Lones in this province will wish them "Good Scouting."

Things continue to boom at Fenelon Falls, where the Lones have been under the keen leadership of Patrol Leader Doug Warren. Now we hear that in order to accommodate more members, the Beaver Patrol has split into two sections, making a new Patrol to be called the "Foxes," under Ken Menzies, who will be the Patrol Leader of that section.

Last week quite a lot was said in this column about Camp, which is always of interest to Scouts.

This week I want to pass on a little information on this subject which all Lones should know and which should be carefully followed when a camping expedition is being planned.

First of all comes the task of preparing the necessary equipment and deciding what to take and what to leave behind. As this depends largely upon the duration of the Camp and the method of transport I do not propose to discuss this matter in this article, but will save it for a future occasion.

This week I will confine my remarks to generalities which would apply to any camp, irrespective of its length, or type.

Choosing the Site.—This is an important matter, as a camp can be made or marred by its location. There are several things to take into consideration. Chief amongst them is what soldiers call "The Lay of the Land."

It is always advisable to keep on high ground and avoid hollows. Hollows hold moisture, from rain, dew, mists, etc., and in the event of a rain storm the camper stands the risk of being

quickly flooded out. Therefore, keep to the higher ground, preferably a gentle slope, but not so high as to be exposed to all the elements in the event of a storm.

Camp in the open, and not under trees, if you can avoid doing so. Place your tent where lots of sunshine and air can get at it. Be careful, however, to be near to some shelter from wind, and shade from sun.

Always consider the question of water before you locate. It is always a nuisance to have to carry water from a great distance, so have this very necessary commodity in mind when picking your site.

Water.—Be careful that your water is not contaminated and that it is fit to drink. Slow, stagnant streams are usually harbors of disease germs. Avoid them. A clear spring with a clean source, or a quickly running stream with a good gravelly bottom is very much more safe. When in doubt, do not drink any water which has not been boiled.

Cooking Places.—These should be located where the prevailing wind will blow the smoke away from your camp, and not into it. Keep your fires away from the tents. Small fires are better to cook on than large ones, and be careful not to start a forest fire. Make sure that your fire is quite out before leaving, and find out if permission has to be obtained before you ever light one.

Cleanliness.—Keep your camp clean. Never throw rubbish about, but dig a hole and put all refuse into it, and see that it is neatly covered in before you go away. Scouts always make a special point of leaving their camp site cleaner than when they arrived on it. In that way the owner of the property is glad to permit Scouts to camp on his land, and will welcome you back.

Swimming.—Take care that your swimming place is safe. Don't swim in strong currents, or where there are weeds. And don't stay in longer than fifteen minutes at a time.—"Lone E."

## Russian Factories Behind Schedule

Moscow.—Leaders of Soviet Russia huge factories and drafting elaborate plans for production do not mean the solution of their industrial problems. Reports of several lapses in the industrial program reached Moscow recently.

The newspaper, Za Industrializaciu, published a disclosure of "unsatisfactory" conditions in the farm machinery factory at Rostov, one of the largest, and asserted that the poor work done in assembling machines amounted to a "catastrophe."

The paper said the superintendent of the assembling department had been discharged because he gave out false production figures. He claimed 438 machines were ready for shipment whereas investigation showed there were only 25.

On May 25, for example, investigators at the Rostov plant found that not a single mowing machine or binder had been turned out although the program called for 100 mowers and 119 binders.

Some of the trouble is attributed to sabotage, but it is generally admitted that unskilled workers are to blame.

## The Willingdons in India

Bombay Times of India.—In taking up the task that Lord Irwin has laid down, Lord Willingdon has great qualities that will serve him well. If we could only all join together, said Lord Irwin, "in a single united effort we should already be more than half-way to success."

That surely is work for the leadership of which Lord Willingdon is peculiarly fitted, for he showed in Bombay during the war a rare and distinctive genius for getting men to make that "single united effort"; and it is, too, work to which we hope Lady Willingdon, who is as welcome to India as the new Viceroy, may devote her great ability.

## Japanese Sit at Table To Eat, American Style

During the last ten years Japan has turned to foreign-style restaurants with such keen interest that it is now possible to sit at tables and eat with knives, forks and spoons in more than 3,000 such eating places in Tokyo; there are more than 21,000 throughout the country.

Ten years ago only foreigners ate at such restaurants, to escape the difficulties of sitting on a restaurant floor and eating with chopsticks. Now Japanese are the patrons of shops which sell doughnuts, coffee, ice cream pan-cakes with syrup, and ham and eggs, American style.

## Australian Telephone Gain

Australia is steadily improving its position in the list of countries showing the most rapid advance in the use of the telephone, and government statistics show that it now occupies sixth place, with 793 telephones per 1,000 of population. Officials regard this as highly satisfactory in view of the country's great area and distribution of population, and the average length of wire required to provide a subscriber's service. The average length of wire to a telephone in Australia is 4.5 miles, compared to 3.4 in the United States, 3.4 in New Zealand and 2.9 in Canada.

## Car Loadings in Canada

Ottawa.—The downward movement in the volume of car loadings on Canadian railroads was halted in the week ended May 16. With a total of 59,468 cars, loadings were 738 cars above the previous week, although 12,199 cars below the corresponding week in 1932.

The large gain in the week was in coal, which advanced 1,067 cars, while grain moved up 384 cars. Losses were recorded by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics in other kinds of freight, the largest being in merchandise, down 449 cars.

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## Reduction in World's Wheat Acreage Forecast

Washington.—A reduction in world wheat acreage outside Russia and China for the 1931-32 season was said by the Department of Agriculture to be definitely in prospect, the decrease being approximately 2 per cent, and the total producing area aggregating 181,865,000 acres, as against 185,278,000 acres last year.

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## Buyers Registered Sheep

Abbotsford, British Columbia.—John McKee, a farmer of the Abbotsford district, has just bought twenty-one head of registered Oxford sheep from the University of British Columbia farm. He believes there are excellent prospects in this way.

## Pitcher Kings of Baseball



"Dazzy" Vance of Brooklyn Robins (right) and Bill Hallahan of the St. Louis Cardinals, the "Speed Ball Kings of Baseball", discuss their pitching prior to game at Ebbets Field. When opposing batsmen step up to the plate while these boys are pitching, it's just too bad if they don't keep their eyes on the ball.

## India's Living Standard Based on Livestock

New Delhi, India.—Standards of living on the North American Continent are more or less judged by the ownership of a car and a radio, but in India livestock takes the place of the automobile. California may have a car for every five persons, but in India animals average two to every three persons.

The livestock population in British India at the last census totalled 216,819,000, oxen and buffaloes alone numbering 151,146,000. Sheep and goats accounted for 61,897,000 of the grand total; while horses, ponies, mules, donkeys and camels numbered 3,776,000.

## Education By Mail

Regina, Saskatchewan.—Approximately 6,000 students are now enrolled in the correspondence courses instituted last year by the Saskatchewan Department of Education. Five thousand of the enrolments are from rural districts. These correspondence courses are arranged to supplement the work being done in the elementary and secondary schools of Saskatchewan for boys and girls who, for various reasons, have been unable to attend school as much as they would have desired.

## B.C. Poultry Highly Favored

Vancouver, B.C.—World-wide interest continues to be shown in British Columbia poultry for breeding purposes. Orders were received the other day for White Leghorn Cockerels for Southern Rhodesia, South Africa. Also, one of the large breeders at Sao Paulo, Brazil, ordered three White Leghorn cockerels and one Rhode Island Red of leading British Columbia strains. Those orders were placed through the R.O.P. organization, Vancouver.

## Record Test

Calgary, Alberta.—What is believed to be a record butter-fat test for a cow of any age or breed is claimed by Norman S. Clarke, of Didsbury, Alberta, for the three-year-old Jersey cow "Waikiki Xenia's Fancy," which days recorded a return of 9.8 per cent in official R.O.P. test for the past sixty days. The butter-fat content is certified by K. King of the Dominion Government cow-testing staff, and at this rate, the cow, in her average flow of two gallons of milk per day produces the equivalent of two and a half pounds of butter.

## Roumania Faces \$59,000,000 Deficit

Bucharest, Roumania.—Constantine Argostolau, Finance Minister, said in a recent address at Carjova that the 1931 state budget will total \$177,000,000, and that the nation faced a deficit of \$59,000,000.

## Rome's Population Gains

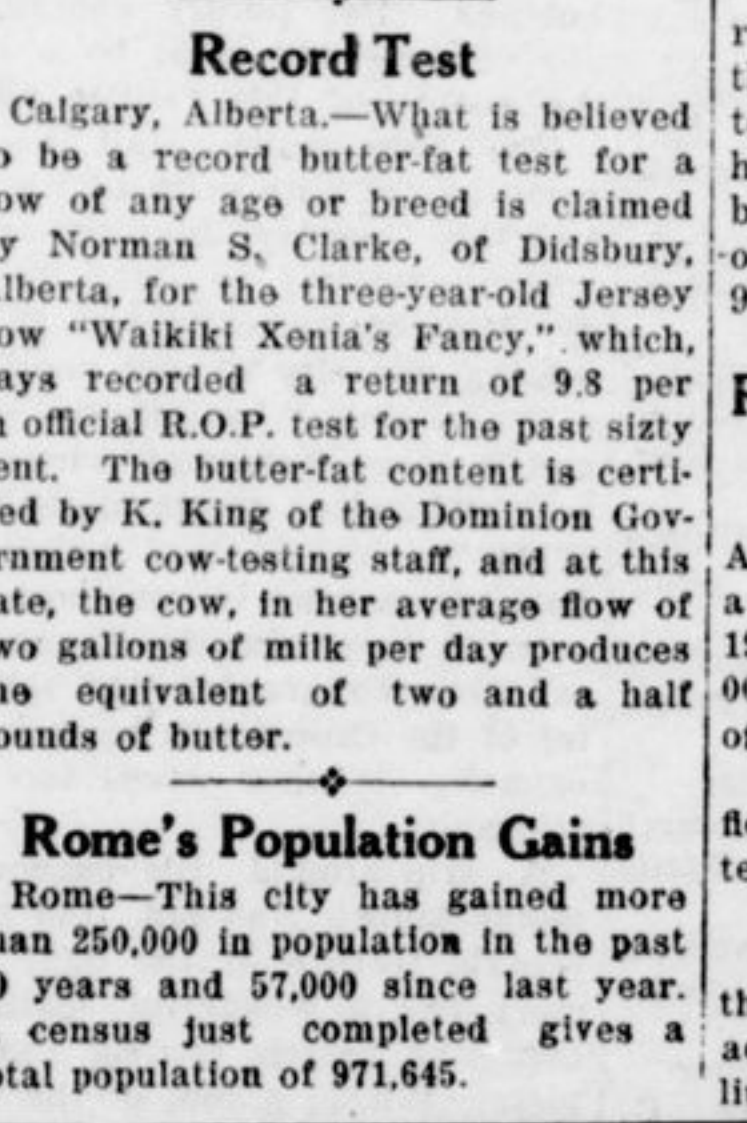
Rome.—This city has gained more than 250,000 in population in the past 10 years and 57,000 since last year. A census just completed gives a total population of 971,945.

## Where'd You Get the Five Cents?

Cub Reporter (to editor who is retreating): "What is your recipe for success?" Editor: "I attribute my ability to retire with \$100,000 after 30 years in the printing field to close application to duty, pursuing a policy of strict honesty, taking good times with the bad, always practicing rigorous economy and to the recent bequest of \$99,999.95 left me by an uncle."

## Speed Enthusiasts' Joy

A new type motorcycle, built especially for an assault on world's motorcycle speed record, recently made its appearance in London, England. New stream-line machine is fitted with superior engine. A. W. Simcock, who will ride it in world's record attempt at Budapest, hopes to exceed present mark of over 150 miles an hour by more than 50 miles.



A thrill voice allied to a tendency to talk too much in a wife might well become grounds for a divorce, states a French Government expert on deafness.

## Governments to Study Tidal Power Scheme

Washington.—Canada and the United States have agreed to appoint commissioners to study a project designed to develop hydroelectric power from the flow of tides in the Bay of Fundy.

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From a crack cavalry regiment where an officer's sabre swung against his thighs for 17 years, to handling the broad steel of a ploughshare.

### Much to Learn

"I have tried to learn how to farm here in Canada," he said. "I knew that I had much to learn when I came here two years ago. For eight months I then worked on different farms as a farm hand. I learned how to plow, I learned how to seed, I learned how to clear land, and I learned how to harvest."

"And now I have my farm. The land is mine, and it feels good to have cleared out most of the bush. I have chopped down poplar and pulled up willow. I have had one good crop already."

### Served in War

Baron Vincke served with his cavalry regiment throughout the war. He was with the mounted troops that first leaped the boundary lines into France. Later he was in the trenches with the dismounted cavalrymen.

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"It does not seem too much to hope," it states, "that the further development of cancer clinics throughout the country and their co-ordination through the American College of Surgeons may raise the standards of treatment of cancer, and as a practical result begin to reduce the frightful mortality from this disease."

### The General Lack of Knowledge

"The general lack of knowledge regarding the significance of early signs," it states, "the failure to appreciate the disastrous results of delayed diagnosis and treatment, the inability to distinguish between good and bad treatment, and the feeling that the affliction is a stigma, are each and all responsible for a vast amount of unnecessary suffering and death."

### Situation Improves

"It is encouraging to note, however, that the situation in this respect has definitely improved in this country during the past decade. Proportion report that an increasing proportion of cases are coming to them earlier in the stage of the disease, with a resulting higher percentage of cures."

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