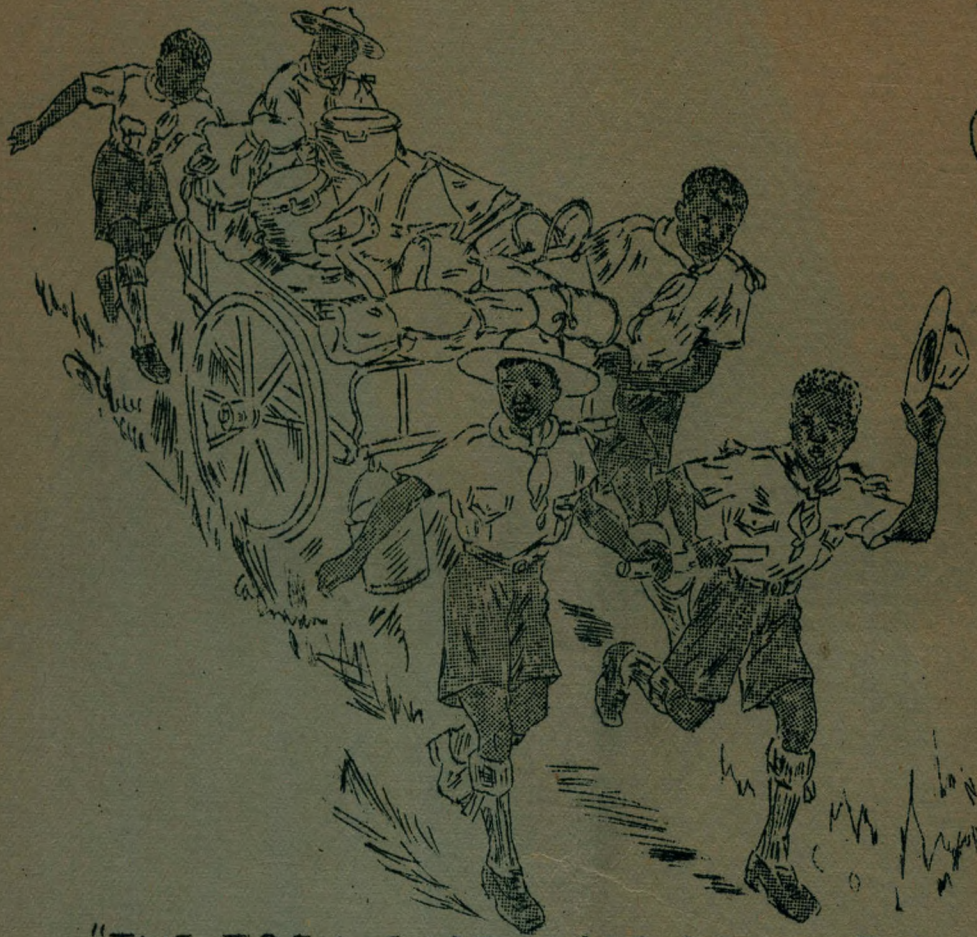


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THE AFRICAN SCOUT GAZETTE

THE OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE AFRICAN BOY SCOUTS
ASSOCIATION.
(TRANSCAAL DIVISION)



"THE TREK-CART GOES ROLLING ALONG!!"

"THE HEIGHTS BY GREAT MEN REACHED AND KEPT
WERE NOT ATTAINED BY SUDDEN FLIGHT,
BUT THEY, WHILE THEIR COMPANIONS SLEPT,
WERE TOILING UPWARD IN THE NIGHT."

(H.W. LONGFELLOW.)

A New Year Thought for Scouts and Scouters.

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MR. JOHN THURMAN, CAMP CHIEF, GILWELL PARK,
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THE EDITOR'S CHAT.

BY D.C. MOGOTSI.

BOB-JOB WEEK

31ST MAR. - 5TH APR. 1952.

Met alle beste groete van die Radakteurs.

It is now quite a long while that you have been waiting for another number and in it another cheering story from the Editorial.

After much reading and listening to some able speakers on the subject of "Bob-a-Job" we thought of interesting you in the matter also so that when the time comes for the African Scouts to make an attempt we shall all know about it.

The name "Bob-a-Job" explains itself, meaning literally a "shilling's worth of work", or a piece of work the reward for which is a bob.

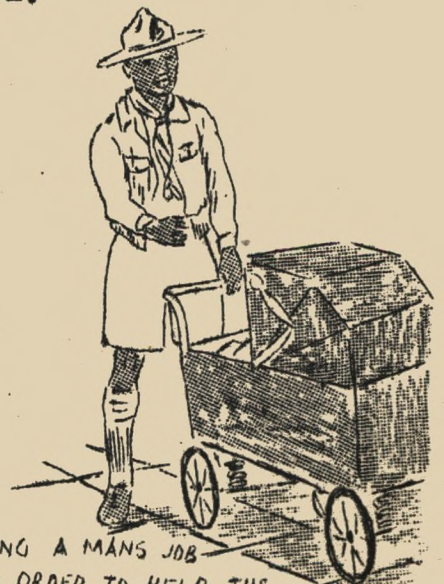
Although the idea of scouting was started in Africa by our founder, yet its greatest development has been in Great Britain. Thus the scheme of Bob-a-Job has been tried for some years in England and has proved a wonderful success. It has since been spreading all over the world. Our European Scout Colleagues in South Africa found it a workable scheme. We also, the African Scouts, tried it at Vereeniging early last year and a good sum of money was realized. Hence it is now the intention to throw it wide open to the whole of the Division.

This is one of the best methods by which money (which is so badly needed) can be raised for our Head Quarters as well (to quote words of Lord Rowallan our Supreme Chief) as another means by which Scouts can be taught a lesson in "self help". The scheme teaches our boys that money must be earned. It is particularly essential that our African boys should learn this important lesson, that is to learn to earn money by honest means which will safely provide for their daily needs and not to resort to easy and even unscrupulous methods which ultimately land them in gaol.

I wish to repeat that the object of Bob-a-Job is to raise money not for individual troops or districts but for our Head Quarters.

I suppose you now want to know how it is done.

Our Head Quarters fixes a date for "Bob-a-Job Week" a week prior to which the public is warned through the press or by other means of what is going to happen and an appeal is made for their support.



WE WANT 60,000 SHILLINGS.

DOING A MAN'S JOB
IN ORDER TO HELP THE
TRANSVAAL DIVISIONAL H/Q.

In addition to publicity in the press, meetings of parents or of the general public could be called in order to explain the scheme and to appeal to them for their support and to provide employment for the boys when the week is launched. Our Head Quarters has a Sub-Committee solely for the affair. They have prepared a large number of job cards which will be given to Scouts in uniform to use when looking for jobs in their districts, villages or farms, for which they will be paid a shilling or more. When seeking employment a Scout must present his job card to the employer who decides what sort of job he can offer and will, when the work is done, pay the Scout for it. He will state on the card the amount paid and the kind of work done and also the date and time when it was done. The Scout will present his card to his local committee who will check the amount stated with the money received. If the Scout is able to do three or more jobs a day he will earn about 3/- (three shillings) daily and in a week will earn about £1. Of course there may be some unfortunate ones who may get far too little for their hard work or some who may not even get employment at all. However, you can now imagine what a great money-raising scheme this could be in our hands especially if all the troops take part and the co-operation of all the officers and the public could be obtained. Somer baie geld, né!

I hope it is not out of place to mention some among many different kinds of jobs which Scouts can be employed on such as:- gardening; watering flowers, etc.; cleaning motor cars; looking after the baby or a cripple; painting doors, windows, gates, etc.; polishing shoes or floors; mending tents; preparing a meal; dusting or sweeping rooms; sewing on buttons or knitting; churning milk for butter; peeling fruit for drying or for bottling; milking a cow; bathing a dog; cleaning a fowl run; digging shallow drains; pruning trees; sharpening tools; being a messenger; running duplicating machines for circulars or cutting stencils; binding books; chopping fire wood; leading out a horse; drawing water from a well; window cleaning at stores; herding cattle or a flock of sheep; collecting honey; greasing a cart, waggon or trolley; cleaning fish or making biltong; handing bricks over to a brick-layer; repairing toys, etc.

Those Scouts who have obtained proficiency badges should find it not only easy to do a job of some kind but a pleasure.

Remember "a Scout's duty is to be useful and to help others".

Awaiting your comments on the scheme.

Tot siens, broers!

FROM THE DIVISIONAL TO THE DIVISION.

~~the present~~ ^{Past} In recent conferences I have stressed the fact that the year has been a very critical one for our movement.

My object in doing so has been twofold: firstly I firmly believe that the high moral code of Scouting, which was one of the principal objectives of B.P., has to a very large extent been lost to our movement here in the Transvaal, which happens also to be the dominating force behind African Scouting, if only by virtue of a majority membership; secondly it is apparent that Scouting in this area has, in many respects, assumed a purely academic role or aspect, in that our boys and officers are primarily interested in rallies and the pomp and ceremony they provide, rather than the purely practical aspect of Scouting which is all important to the world to-day.

It is, of course, easy to make such criticisms as these-- and easier still to do nothing about them. Actually the last thing I wish to do is to criticise our movement -- the sole object of this "Knock" being a "Get together", determined, as we all are, to expand our movement in accordance with the true spirit of Scouting, so that we may be an example to others and a credit to ourselves.

How then can this be best achieved? Not surely by putting on a uniform at rallies; or, as and when the occasion or our Scoutmaster demands. That is not Scouting; nor was it ever intended to be by our founder B.P.

No, Scouting is meant to teach us the practical aspects of life and decent living -- something we can experience and enjoy apart and aside from the drudgery of earning a living.

Our object then is to achieve the way of Scouting; and in order to do so realistically, we plan to meet our fellow Scouters, Scouts and Cubs and others interested in the movement, in their own homes and in their own environment, wherever they are able to gather within the Transvaal.

Your Council has decided, therefore, to hold, quarterly, what will be known as "Pilot Camps" in different parts of the Transvaal so as to enable everyone to get together and discuss their problems and improve their training. These Camps will also provide me with the opportunity of meeting Scouts and Cubs from every corner of the Transvaal and of discussing with them and their Scouters personal and other problems with a view to creating something within our movement which is really alive and which, above all, is Scouting in the true sense.

We plan to hold the first "Pilot Camp" in the Northern Transvaal -- possibly in **May** -- and I hope that all those who read this "Knock" will make a special effort to attend. Transport facilities will be provided by your Head Quarters and even equipment, where necessary, in return for which Scouts are expected to behave as such and launch what can easily prove to be one of the greatest incentives and inspirations among the African people toward a better, happier and more realistic way of life.

But, before this great experiment takes place, all our boys will be called upon to perform a duty (which should also prove to be a pleasure) in their own interest -- and that is to work as hard as they know to earn their "Bob" (and we hope, a great deal more) by offering their services to all and sundry during the "Bob-a-Job" week which commences on March 31st and ends on April 5th 1952.

Your organisers Mr Tokgako and Mr Perivate have worked extremely hard to ensure that this effort on the behalf of all Scouts to help themselves will prove a success, and I am sure they can rely on the full cooperation of all concerned in this most important item in our agenda to expand the movement this year throughout the Transvaal. For the funds so raised will be allocated, in part, not only to troops participating for their own purposes; but also to the direct participation of their own members in the 1955 and 1957 Jamborees to be held overseas. This is indeed an incentive to make "Bob-a-Job" week the first combined effort on the part of Africans -- an outstanding "Self-help" success, and one which will give their supporters renewed confidence and faith in their sincerity to follow the laws of Scouting and to act upon them in their daily lives.

As many of you are aware, African Scouting is only made possible by the practical and financial support of the European com-

munity who recognise in it (as they do in their own counterpart) a fine upbringing for the youth of this country, irrespective of race creed or colour; a way of living upon which the world must depend and which, because of its past and recurrent failure to do so, has suffered so much and which will continue to do so until the simple things of life which make up Scouting are fully understood and practised by the people of this world.

We have started this year well by the visit of our Camp Chief Mr Thurmen of Gilwell, England, who has given us his sympathy and encouragement as well as his advice and criticisms. He has told us in no uncertain terms that no one can make a better Scout than the African if he turns his mind to it and believes in himself. So why not become a Scout second only to those who by virtue of greater experience you would call your superiors though always your friends?

Following almost immediately upon the Chief's visit, you enter into "Bob-a-Job" week, and then into preparation for the "Pilot Camp" in your own area and about which you will soon be informed. In between Scouters and Officials will attend conferences in your interests and finally we hope to hold an Annual Rally at your own Camping site at Roodepoot to celebrate the achievements of the past year, not in any sense of self-satisfaction, but rather in a determination to ensure that the new year will bring even greater achievements.

And we have much to do by way of training for the second class tests up to the Queen's Scout Badge, for the Woodbadges Courses, and a hundred and one other things that go to make up Scouting. The pace may be slow but eventually we will get there.

For I am certain of one thing and that is that among Africans, Scouting is approaching a high moral code and practical purpose - an ideal in fact which all of us (African and European alike) are determined to work for now and in the future.

I firmly believe that through Scouting the youth of to-day can guarantee a proper and decent way of living for the men and women of tomorrow. I believe in the Christian way of life, irrespective of colour, race or creed; in the World Brotherhood we know as Scouts; in the process of education for every one according to his standards; and above all, I believe in the world in which we live, in our fellow men, and the rich contentment which follows an honest endeavour to live up to the Scout' law.

I ask you to believe in the same things; to believe and have faith in the future; to prove, by example, that the solution to the problems of this country - and indeed of the world - lies in the observance of the Scout Law.

Yours sincerely,

C.N. WALLACE
DIVISIONAL.

MR JOHN
THURMAN'S
YARN.



(With Acknowledgement to Transvaal Scouting
News incorporating the Transvaal News Letter)

Your Editor has asked me to send a message especially to those Scouters of the Transvaal who will not be able to meet me during my two visits to you, the first of which is drawing to a close as I write and this I am indeed glad to do.

I suppose that the hardest thing for most of us in this great game of Scouting is to get a picture, a vision really, of what a great thing it is to have the privilege of serving the largest and, of course, the best Movement for boys that the world has ever seen. For the most part we work with our Troop, Pack or Crew; sometimes we remember we are part of a District, a Division or a Country, but in very truth we are something bigger than any of that - part of the World-wide Brotherhood of Scouts.

I wonder how many of you who read this know, for example, that there are three hundred thousand Scouters - yes Scouters - in the world. That, as it happens, is just about ten times as many as there are Scouts in South Africa - a pretty staggering figure - over a quarter of a million men and women trying to play the same game in a variety of situations and, as I know at first hand of many countries, playing the game of Scouting for Boys in the right spirit and with a fair measure of success.

Now belonging to a band of people of this size and a band who have faith in the principles of Scouting seems to me to be SOMETHING TO BE REALLY PROUD OF and at the same time to impose upon each one of us A VERY GREAT PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY, a responsibility that you in the Transvaal will, I am sure, continue to accept and, through its acceptance, carry into action with good effect.

This Movement of ours depends for its continuous success not upon the efforts of a few outstanding leaders but rather upon THE SOUND WORK OF A GREAT MASS OF QUITE ORDINARY PEOPLE. Many people doing a little really well will always matter more than a few trying to do too much.

There are, of course, differences of application between Scouting in one country, indeed in one place, and another, but I want to suggest that we should magnify our similarities rather than our differences, that we should count our blessings which are not inconsiderable rather than bemoan our difficulties which are really rather insignificant, that we should seize the opportunities which lie to our hand rather than spend time wailing for the facilities that are not to hand.

In a sentence that we should accept for ourselves as adults the spirit of Scouting and not attempt to regard it as just something for boys.

What, though, is this spirit of Scouting? I think I can answer that for you. The more years I spend in Scouting and the wider I travel the more convinced I become that the Spirit of Scouting is not some indefinable mysticism but is the result always of a genuine acceptance of the Scout Law and Promise and its carrying into effect in everyday life.

That, though, isn't quite the whole story. The effort we make to bring this about matters as much as the result we achieve in the ultimate. Not what we do that matters so much as the way we do it; never the activity itself but the motive and the spirit in which we pursue it.

Finally just this - there come moments when all of us feel a little weary and perhaps cast down, when we wonder whether Scouting and the time it takes is worth while. THOSE ARE THE MOMENTS I SUGGEST WE REMEMBER THAT HOWEVER GREAT OUR DIFFICULTIES MAY BE THERE IS ALWAYS SOMEONE SOMEWHERE IN THE WORLD BATTLING ON AGAINST ODDS SUCH AS WOULD MAKE OUR PROBLEMS SEEM HEAVEN-SENT OPPORTUNITIES. "I was sad because I had no feet until I met a man who had no legs" remains true for most of us. One day I hope we shall all meet - until then Good Scouting - for BOYS.

JOHN THURMAN

Camp Chief,
Gilwell Park.

headquarters notices



THE BULL'S EYE

60,000/-

"BOB-A-JOB WEEK"

31 MARCH - 5 APRIL 1952

THIS IS AN EFFORT BY ALL CUBS, SCOUTS AND ROVERS IN THE TRANSVAAL TO HELP RAISE FUNDS FOR THEIR H/Q.

"So Sleeves up!! and tackle your Job!!"

BUT REMEMBER THIS SPECIAL NOTE!

Only boys dressed in

Scout ~~Uniform~~ Uniform and bearing "Bob-a-Job" Cards have permission to take part in this scheme. For this reason Headquarters has made a special effort to replenish stocks in the shop and make available the essentials for a proper Scout Uniform. We have HATS (Boys type 16/6) (Officers' type £1. 2. 6), SHIRTS and SHORTS (Ask for Price List), CAPS for Cubs 5/9, BELTS 5/- and TWEDEPAD, TWEDEFOOT and "P" CLOTH BADGES at 8d. each. The demand is great, so order your requirements at once and, of course, "the early bird catches the worm."

OTHER NOTICES.

1. All members of the Movement are advised that mourning for the late King George VI. has been made to conform with the period arranged by the State, namely, from 6th. February, 1952 to 5th. March, 1952.
2. There are still many troops who have not sent in their Census Returns for the year ended ~~xxx~~ 30th. September, 1951 and not paid the necessary re-registration fees. Such troops must be fully aware that they will receive no supplies from the shop nor, in any way, be recognised as being a part of the Scout Movement.

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ANIMAL WELFARE

BY N.S. MOKGAKO,

DEPUTY CAMP CHIEF.

What would you do, in such a situation,
bearing in mind that "A SCOUT IS A
FRIEND TO ANIMALS"? WRITE TO THE
EDITORS.

The head of the African Boy Scouts Association of the Union of South Africa, Mr. J.D. Rheinallt Jones, M.A., has directed that the attention of all African Cubs, Scouts, Rovers and Scouters, wherever they may be, should be drawn to the following extract from an excellent brochure prepared by the "BANTU ANIMAL WELFARE SOCIETY".

"The Bantu Animal Welfare Society, which was founded in 1940, cares for animals owned by the Bantu. The Society is operated by a band of voluntary workers who devote five days every week to visiting the Native Townships in all the Johannesburg area. The animals are given free treatment and care and the Natives are instructed in the rudiments of hygiene and animal welfare. Thousands of dogs are dipped for mange annually and treated for a hundred and one other ailments to which they are subject. Horses, mules, donkeys and cattle are given veterinary aid and fed when their owners cannot afford to provide these services.

The fullest information will be gladly given by either the Chairman, Workers' Committee, Mrs. E. Longden, 83, The Braids Road, Greenside (Phone: 41-3480) or the Hon. Secretary, Miss E. Touch, 70, First Avenue, Parktown North (Phone: 42-2394)."

It is an undisputed fact that an incredibly high percentage of our animals render a pitiable sight in our locations through either ill-treatment, homelessness, sickness or starvation, and our Scout Law "A Scout is a Friend to Animals" challenges us to do something about the matter. Let us therefore resolve spontaneously, if we have not already done so, that we shall give the fullest backing to the Bantu Animal Welfare Society by educating everyone we can, irrespective of race, class or creed, that the Bantu Animal Welfare Society exists for a very humanitarian cause. Let us tell them that the Bantu Animal Welfare Society will be only too pleased to have referred to them any animal case that requires treatment and care, however big or small that may be.

Clinical services in this respect are so far available in many Townships, but where this service is not readily supplied please write to either of the persons whose addresses are given earlier in this message for advice and guidance. Once again, Scouts, Cubs, Rovers and Scouters, wherever you are, please take serious notice of this request.



CUB PAGE

THE WOLF CUB

(With acknowledgement to "The Scout")

THE OBSERVER BADGE

CAN YOU FOLLOW A TRAIL?

The word "exploring" sounds exciting, doesn't it? You love to hear stories of famous explorers who made their way into little-known parts of the country.

Then there are trackers who go into unexplored forests and "blaze a trail" - by nicking marks on the bark of trees as they go. Perhaps no man has ever set foot in the forest before.

Cubs can be explorers. I am sure there are lots of places near your home you do not know at all well. Let's go out and have a look for them, shall we?

The badge says you must "find your way to an unknown spot by following directions, either compass directions, signs made on the ground, or landmarks, or a combination of both."

Doesn't it sound exciting? "Find your way to an unknown spot". How shall we set about it? Let's try landmarks first, shall we?

In the olden days when there were no big buildings or roads, people used to set up piles of stones on the tracks, so that they showed on the skyline on top of the hills. But now we have tall buildings, churches, railway bridges, electric pylons, and so on, so that you are sure to find your way.

If you follow a trail by landmarks it is very important to be able to use your eyes. Look ahead; look sideways; and look behind you. It is a great mistake to go too fast when you are exploring. Go slowly and see everything.

But perhaps you live in a district where there are moors - where there are few landmarks and there is danger of mist and fog. In that case it is important to be able to find your way by compass, so next week we'll talk about the compass.

CUBS WILL ALSO TAKE PART IN OUR BOB-A-JOB WEEK!!!



HELP...US.....TO.....KEEP IT BURNING.

The BOB-A-JOB Week gives our Scouts a chance to SERVE the Transvaal Divisional Headquarters.

GIVE us your financial support and we will continue to SERVE our African Scouts.

GIVE to our African Scouts any small and decent job (for a bob only); they serve you and our COMMON CAUSE.

GIVE us more fire-wood and our Scout Fire will warm and show THE WAY to many more.

NO job is too small, but give "him" a bob for it.

NO "bob" is too small, but give many of them, we shall use them all (and use them well).

For the "Bob-a-Job Week" SCOUTING stands for:

S for Save your shillings for the Bob-a-Job Week.

C for Come on, parents and friends, give "him" a job for the Bob-a-Job Week.

O for One bob (or even more) for a job is a little star in a very dark sky.

U for Unrestricted support is wanted from you for this Bob-a-Job Week.

T for To open your purse; OPEN YOUR HEARTS for this Bob-a-Job Week.

I for In helping us you will help to brighten many a boy's heart.

N for Never has the African Scout Movement been so important to our African Boys.

G for GIVE, GIVE, GIVE, and when you have given a lot please continue to GIVE.

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NEWS AT RANDOM

BY BRA SOLLY.

HIS MAJESTY, KING GEORGE VI

PATRON OF THE BOY SCOUTS



R. I. P.

6th February, 1952

QUEEN ELIZABETH II

Many of us still remember the 21st of April, 1947, when our Queen, the then Princess Elizabeth, dedicated her life to the Service of the Commonwealth. She said:-

"I declare before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service and the service of our great Imperial Commonwealth to which we all belong. But I shall not have strength to carry out this resolution unless you join in it with me, as I now invite you to do, I know that your support will be unflinchingly given. GOD HELP ME TO MAKE GOOD MY VOW; and God bless all of you WHO ARE WILLING TO SHARE IN IT."

"Once a Scout - a Scout forever, and Once a Guide a Guide forever." Our Gracious Queen Elizabeth II, THE guide, has made this solemn Act of Dedication and a Plea to us, her subjects and co-members in the Great Worldwide Sisterhood and Brotherhood. Let us, by our way of upright living, show Her Majesty that we are willing to share in her life of SERVICE. "LONG MAY SHE REIGN". BAYETE! PULA!!

MR. C.N. WALLACE, M.B.E. DIVISIONAL AFRICAN SCOUT COMMISSIONER

My impressions of him are that he is a real business man with a dynamic personality. Get to know him and you will undoubtedly get to like him. A leader of the first order. The African Scout Association has a man in Mr. C.N. WALLACE. He came in when our Association was facing a very critical time. He comes as a Moses and rest assured we are now able to see the Caanan of African Scouting as we keep marching along towards better scouting. Let us help him to help us.

MR. A.T. HABEDI, B.A., DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

He has proved to us that Scouts can make a success of BOB-A-JOB. His District i.e. THE EVATON-VEREENIGING DISTRICT, raised £106. 4. 7d. He has given the lead; let us follow.

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MR. H.H. MUSGROVE, DIV. H/Q COM.

He was awarded THE ORDER OF THE SILVER WOLF by Sir Herbert Stanley, in his capacity as the CHIEF SCOUT OF SOUTH AFRICA, in recognition of his excellent services of the most exceptional character to the Movement. "YISAKA!! We love you because you first loved us." YOU DESERVED IT BROTHER.

ROBERT BADEN-POWELL

He was born on 22nd February, 1857, and died on January, 8th, 1941.

AT PAXTU (An extract from the Scouter, July, 1942)

The following is written by an old friend of scouting who founded a Troop in 1908. He now lives in retirement in Kenya.

"I am writing this in B-P's cottage, just a few days after the anniversary of his death, a year ago, and surrounded by his paintings, trophies and other personal souvenirs. This is the last spot where he lived, and where he wrote, sketched and painted. A charming and peaceful spot, with Mount Kenya right in front, wide open glass-doors and a lovely garden full of birds, and flowers and trees. I visited the little cemetery where he lies, on a grassy platform with two wide steps and a simple stone:

ROBERT BADEN-POWELL,
CHIEF SCOUT OF THE WORLD.

with Boy Scout and Girl Guide badges carved in the marble. HE FACES THE RISING SUN AND LOOKS OVER THE WIDE EXPANSE OF THE AFRICA HE LOVED and at the snowy peak of Mount Kenya. Baden-Powell Anniversary comes on the Sunday nearest to his birthday. What are you doing about it?

EX AFRICA SEMPER QUID NOVI

Did you know that from Africa always comes something new? It is the first time in British History that a sovereign acceded to the throne whilst in Africa. Princess Elizabeth was in KENYA when she became Queen Elizabeth II.

PERMANENT MEMORIAL NEAR SCOUTING'S BIRTHPLACE

Brownsea Island in Poole Harbour, Dorset, is known to Scouts all over the world as the birthplace of Scouting. It was there, in 1907, that Robert Baden-Powell held an experimental camp that led to the formation of the Scout Movement a year later.

As a permanent memorial to Baden-Powell and to commemorate the camp on Brownsea Island, the Poole Local Scout Association is proposing to build a District Headquarters where Scouts from any part of the world can stay when visiting the home of the Movement.

The Poole Association has invited all those who are interested in the scheme to help by sending a birthday gift in memory of the Founder. (The anniversary of Baden-Powell's birthday is on February 22nd.) The names of all Scout Groups and friends who send contributions will be recorded in "B-P's Remembrance Log Book" to be kept in the building.

Poole has many close ties with the Scout and Guide Movements. As well as containing the birthplace of Scouting it is the home town of Lady Baden-Powell, the Chief Guide, and it was in Poole that she was married. In 1929 the Freedom of the Borough was conferred on the Chief Scout of the World and on the 20th May next Lady Baden-Powell is to receive the same honour in recognition of her service to youth.

MR. JOHN THURMAN AT OUR WOODBADGE TRAINING COURSE AT ROODEPOORT

A detailed report will be given to the Editors for publication in the Gazette on the Woodbadge Course. This will be sent in to us by Deputy Camp Chief, D.C. Marivate, who was the Officer in Charge of the course which attracted 21 trainees. This Course was unique because Mr. John Thurman, Camp Chief, Gilwell Park, London, was one of the trainers. The Course was a success.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The African Scouts Association is very much indebted to the following newspapers which are ever ready to help us in the work of publicity: (I) THE BANTU WORLD, (II) UMTETELI WA BANTU, and also these magazines: (I) ZONK and (II) AFRICAN DRUM who have given us a page each.

We also thank the European newspapers viz THE STAR and the RAND DAILY MAIL. These two papers have always helped us in the past - we still look forward to their continued help. Last but not least the S.A.B.C. NEWS SERVICE and our donors, "NINGADINWA NANGOMSO". Please do not tire of continuing your kind service to us.

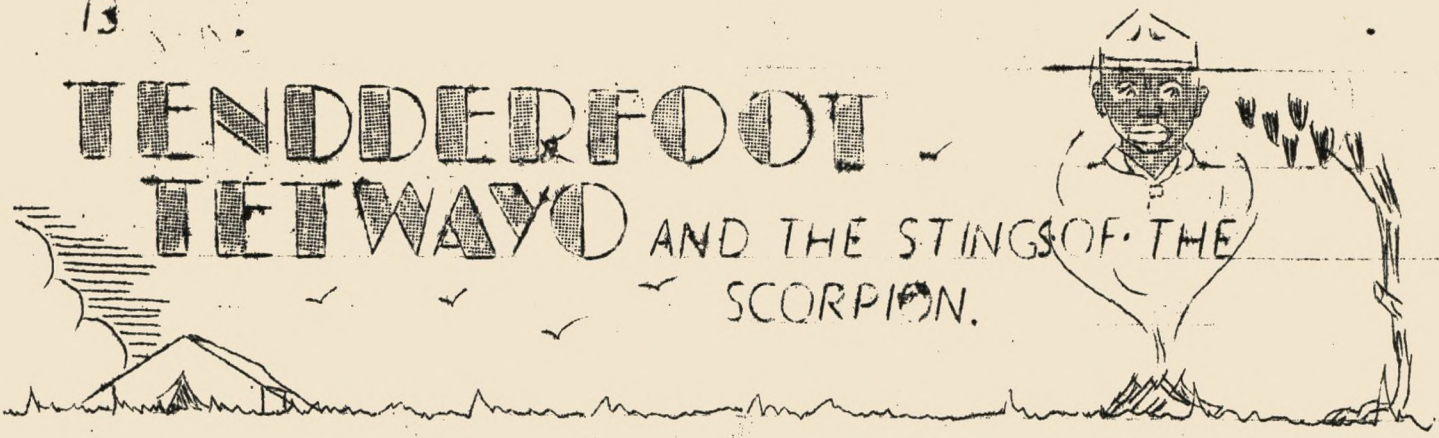
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CENTRAL AFRICAN JAMBOREE - NKANA, 1952.

It is with much regret that we have to advise all members of our Movement that the dates of this Jamboree have been changed and will now take place on 20th. June, 1952 to 5th. July, 1952. In consequence, a decision was made at a meeting held recently of the South African Headquarters Council that it would not be possible to send any Scout contingent from South Africa as Schools, to which most of the troops are attached, would still be on. In order to get to Nkana in time for the Jamboree, it would mean troops from South Africa would have to be away by the 13th. June, 1952 while the School Term closes on 27th. June, 1952., and Headquarters felt it would not be fair to ask the Education Department to grant members of our Movement two weeks leave of absence from School on account of a matter which is not the prior concern of the Education Department.

To offset this disappointment, however, we are glad to announce that there will be the usual Jamboree coming off in 1955, venue not yet decided, and a special Jamboree to celebrate the Scout Jubilee in 1957. Incidentally, the 1957 Jamboree to be held in England will also mark the Centenary of our Founder, the Late Lord Baden Powell of Gilwell. Our Camp Chief, Mr. J. Thurman, in this regard specially appeals to all members of the various sections of the World-wide Brotherhood of Scouts in South Africa, to make a special effort to be represented at this Centenary - Jubilee Jamboree in 1957. So, start saving now! ALSO, let us all work very hard for the success of our "Bob-a-Job Week" so that we can draw some money from this source for these Jamborees too.

TENDERFOOT TETWAYO AND THE STINGS OF THE SCORPION.



MR. SCOUTER, I still have a few of the stings I stole - no not stole, I should say took - from RAMAKENTJANA.

1. Brother, please study your P.O. & R. How did you get your warrant if you continue to make such horrible blunders?
2. Scouters must not smoke on parade grounds at Rallies. The number one offenders are the Brasshats. Example is better than precept.
3. To those Scouters who have a creative mind, please read the rules governing Emblems on Page 65 - Rules 366, 367, 368 and 369. Those rules will help those with creative minds so that what they create can be authorized.
4. Decorations authorized: Study Rule 88, Nos. 1 to 8. No cheap pin, brooch, metal, etc., may be used on uniform.
5. External Relations: Study Page 9 in your P.O. & R. - Rules 30, 31, 32 and 33.

Special emphasis on Rule 34 which reads thus:-
"Whilst co-operation between the two associations i.e. Girl Guides and Scouts is to be encouraged generally, IT IS MOST UNDESIRABLE THAT GUIDES AND SCOUTS should be trained together, and District Commissioners MUST SEE THAT THIS RULE IS STRICTLY ENFORCED."

6. The conditions on which Rule 34 can be staggered, READ RULE 35, Nos. 1 to 4.
7. If you do not wear the Woodbadge, do you realize that you have no Diploma in Scouting which means anything? I suppose that is why you blunder like this. Why don't you attend training courses and become a fully fledged scouter?

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PLEASE !!
DO N'T TALK
ABOUT
DRUMS AND
DRUMMING,

TALK 'BOB-A-JOB'

31ST MAR - 5TH APR. 1952.

OBSERVER.

IT IS TIME OUR SCOUT BANDS RECEIVED PROPER TRAINING IN DRUMMING AND BUGLING. THEY ARE A REAL SOURCE OF EMBARRASSMENT AT OUR BIG SCOUT GATHERINGS. It is my desire that H/Q. could find us people to train the Boys.

DRUM MAJORS, are yet another pin prick. They too have to be taught THE ART OF MANIPULATING THE MACE.

I would suggest that, Bands and Drum Majors should not appear in public Gatherings until they have mastered their Art and win credit to the Movement.

March Past look smarter without ill-trained Bands & Drum Majors.

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