

# Christmas Greetings

## The Pathfinder Scout Gazette.



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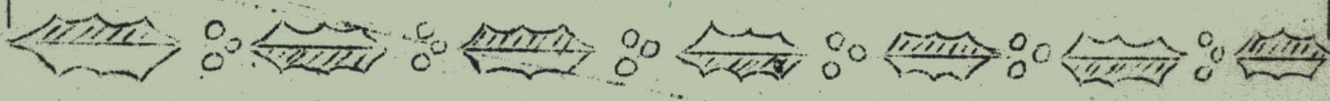
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### The Xmas Horn

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A Happy Christmas to everyone.

The thought of goodwill associated with Christmas reminds us of the goodwill that is steadily increasing between our Association and the European Boy Scout Association. Round Johannesburg, at nearly every one of our more important meetings (Rallies and so on) during the past year, there have been European Scouters and Scouts present as helpers or as interested spectators. Our circle of friends is steadily increasing; to all we wish to a very Happy Christmas, and Good Scouting in the New Year.

THANKS.

We wish to thank all our contributors who have kept the pages of our paper so well filled during 1946. Especially we want to thank the Editor of the South African Health Society Magazine who so kindly allows us to take extracts from his publication. This has made possible our new item "Health Notes" that has appeared in the last few issues.

Another new feature is the series of Jungle Dances by Mrs. Lumsden (Tha). When she has completed the series we very much hope she will continue to send us further articles relating to Cub Work. She is, we believe, the chief exponent of Cubbing in the Union, and so having caught her (Tha, by the way, means Elephant), we will not easily let her go again.

Finally, we wish to thank Miss Spencer who makes all the stencils for each issue of the Gazette. Her skill in this work is apparent on every page, and her willingness in so generously undertaking the task lifts a heavy burden of responsibility from the editorial mind. To her we say "Please do not grow weary of helping us."

APOLOGY.

To the Cubs we owe an apology. In the last issue (p 7) the heading should have read "Jungle Dances". Our staff work was at fault and the heading came out as "Jungle Dunces": The dunces referred to must have been other denizens of the Jungle (perhaps the Bandarlog), but certainly not to our brave Cubs.

V. Jenkins C.R.



# From the Divisional to the Division

## THE DIVISIONAL.

You all know by now that our Divisional is on furlough in England. My first words must naturally be about him. I'm sure you will all join me in wishing him a very happy time especially for the Christmas Season, and in sending our very good wishes to his Mother.

## FOR SPECIALLY DISTINGUISHED SERVICES.

The next comment must surely be about our two Organisers, Messrs. Mokgoka and Marivate, whose distinguished services have now been officially recognised by the award of the Silver Acorn through the S. A. Headquarters of the Scout Movement. No one will hesitate to express delight at this recognition of services to which our Movement owes a tremendous debt. Their services are so well known that I needn't talk about them. We, of this Division, congratulate them both and thank them for their services. We wish them good luck and ever increasing success in their work.

## RALLIES.

I've been very busy these last few weeks. There have been rallies all over the place. Perhaps, some day, I shall also deserve to get something like a "tin" or "brass" Acorn! I've attended as many as I can, and I hope nobody feels sore if they have been left out. Only one of these Rallies was disappointing - George Goch - when only one Troop turned out. That area must watch its step and see to it that next year they have an extra special Rally to make up for this! You will see reports in this Gazette about some of the Rallies, though we regret that we can't report about all of them. I have also a report about a wonderful Rally held in September in Southern Rhodesia, which is described as "the biggest event in the history of P/F Scouting in Southern Rhodesia. A Victory Rally to celebrate the victory of the free Nations over the axis Powers". We congratulate Southern Rhodesia on its magnificent effort.

## WORLD JAMBOREE 1947.

You have probably heard of the International Jamboree which will be held next year in France near Paris. This is causing your Divisional Council a great deal of thought. We would love to send a few P/F Scouts (who, by the way, must be First Class), but the cost will be nearly £200 for each boy! How can we overcome such a hurdle? There are plenty of other serious difficulties as well, but that seems the greatest.

## CONCLUSION.

Another successful year is coming to an end. I think our Divisional would be proud to see how well the year, which he began, has finished up. But there can be no resting on our laurels. Forward to a still better 1947.

All the best wishes to the New Year and a Happy Christmas to every one of you.

From your Acting Divisional.

## IMPORTANT.

### YEARLY REGISTRATION OF GROUPS.

The usual Registration Forms in respect of nearly half of the Groups in the Division have not yet been received this year at H.Q. They should have been received by 31st October.

**SCOUTERS!** If your Group has not yet registered and paid its fees to your D/P/S/C, you are not entitled to use the Scout Shop, or to receive the Gazette. In fact, your Group does not exist!

**COMMISSIONERS!** Please send all forms and fees received from your Scouters to H.Q. at once, if you have not already done so.



HEADQUARTERS NOTICES

Hours the shop is open: 1 - 4.30 p.m. Weekdays. 9.30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Saturdays.

Price List of goods is now available at the shop.

Present prices for shirts, shorts and hats:

- Shirts 11/6 (for very small sizes) 13/6 - 17/- for 13/6 upwards. Shorts 11/- - 13/6 each. Hats 7/6 and they may be 8/9 next order to arrive in Jan. 1947.

Instructions when ordering: please state whether you want your money returned, if the goods are not in stock.

Our shop will be closed for Christmas holiday, that is from 15th December, 1946 to 15th January, 1947 inclusive. It will re-open on Thursday the 16th January, 1947.

Please address all complaints about orders to the Honorary Divisional Secretary or the Divisional Commissioner at the usual address.

The following letter has been received from the Boy Scout H.Q. -

Dear Sir,

I have to-day been advised by the Harritz Hat Factory that we cannot have delivery of our order for hats placed in August until January. I, therefore, regret that it will not be possible to let you have delivery, or part-delivery of your order, until next year.

KENNETH FLEISCHER. Divisional Secretary.

So, Scouters and Scouts, please do not worry to come for hats between now and the middle of January, 1947.

J. G. MODISELLE (Asst. Secretary.)

APPOINTMENTS. (The following Scouts have been recommended for Warrants on 15th October, 1946.)

- Revd. Fr. V. C. Jenkins D/P/S/M Jhb. West Central. A. Mato P/S/M 3rd Evaton Troop. N. L. Molefe P/S/M 1st (Bothsabelo). V. Malete P/S/M 1st Meyerton " Justice Sekati P/S/M 2nd (Middelburg). Z. Mohutsioa P/S/M 1st Krugersdorp" Immanuel Makuse A/P/S/M (2nd Middelburg). Jonas N. R. Tsomele P/S/M 5th Matlala " Daniel Modau A/P/S/M 2nd Middelburg" H. P. Maredi P/S/M 2nd Middelburg Lucas S. Kganane A/P/S/M 1st Bothsabelo. Lazarus Moetanalo P/C/M 2nd Middelburg (Pack) John Q. Mphahlaza P/C/M 1st Bothsabelo (Pack.)

On 19th November, 1946:

- Robert Maitland Fraser A/D/P/S/C Louis Trichardt. Hamilton Dlamlenze G/P/S/M (1st Sophiatown Group). Richard P. Shiluvan P/S/M 1st Gooldville Troop Lawrence Moloi P/S/M 6th Alexandra Troop. Albert Twala P/S/M 7th Alexandra Troop Joseph Mozelakgomo A/P/S/M (1st Doornkop Troop). Josiah M. Silimela A/P/S/M 1st Olifantsfontein" Godlief M. Bashele A/P/C/M (1st Doornkop Troop). Alfred Th. Masipa P/S/M 1st Doornkop Troop Abiel Ramonte Adcock A/P/S/M (8th Orlando). Aquila Mathale Manchidi P/C/M 1st Doornkop " Risenga A. F. Baloyi P/S/M 10th Orlando Troop P. C. P. Coyne P/S/M 1st Roodepoort Troop April Emmeth A/P/S/M 8th Orlando Troop

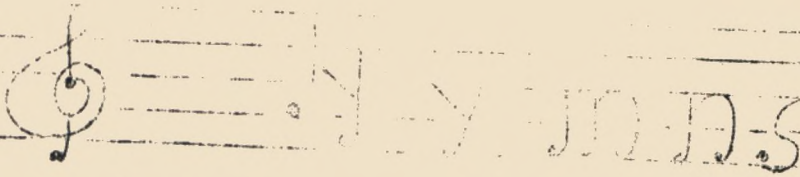
REGISTRATIONS The following Troops have been recommended for registration on 15th October, 1946:

- 2nd Middelburg Troop - P. O. Box 73, Middelburg. 5th Matlala Troop - St. Paul's 2nd Middelburg Pack - P. O. Box 73, Middelburg. (Location? Pietersburg).

19th November, 1946.

- 1st Gooldville Troop, Gooldville P.O. Sibasa N. Tvl. : 1st Doornkop Troop -(as 1st Doornkop Pack Doornkop Tribal Sch. P. O. Lammerkop, Middelburg. -: (below) 1st Roodepoort Troop, Box 26 Roodepoort.





Use any tune - Anglican, Lutheran, Wesleyan etc. that will fit the words.  
 Preferably, get bright tunes, especially for the Morning Hymn.

MORNING HYMN.

Hail, the morn the bearing light,  
 Sun's rays piercing every heart,  
 Urging all to praise the night;  
 King and Shepherd, God thou art.

Grateful hearts to Thee we raise,  
 On this bright and glorious morn  
 For protection Lord we praise  
 Thee our Rock and Saving Horn.

Christ the great Scout lead us on,  
 Lead us to our daily work;  
 Set our hands our strength upon  
 Helping, working for Thy flock.

Guard our erring thoughts aught;  
 Guide our eyes to see Thy face,  
 Feet direct to step in light  
 Of Thye Word and grace.

Thy, praise eternally,  
 In our mouths and lips ascend  
 To the Father and to Thee  
 And the spirit without end.

MORNING HYMN.

Now the radiant day is over,  
 Night and darkness ushers all  
 Boys and girls both far and near  
 To the Father's house and wall.

Watch and keep them Lord, we pray,  
 In the darkness here below,  
 Where the lion seeks to prey  
 On the children Thou dost know.

To the needy and the poor,  
 To the hungry and in want,  
 To the sick and dying sore  
 Give us give as Thou art wont.

Heath the stony cross we rest,  
 Far from home and human care,  
 In the tents and Thee O Christ,  
 Friend and Brother, Saviour dear.

Evil beams of demons scare  
 From our hearts and sinners all;  
 Casting souls and lives care  
 In Thine arms for rest we fall.

Both composed by - (Rev.) P/S/M. J. K. Tsebe.

## A W A R D   O F   M E R I T .

In the last issue of the Gazette under the heading of "He was Prepared", you read how Solomon Shimidzu, a Scout of the II Orlando Troop saved his brother's life.

On 13th November more than 300 Scouts, Cubs, Wayfarers and Sunbeams of the District marched to the Leake Hall with their bands to see him presented with the Medal of Merit.

The proceedings opened with the investiture of the new Troop (the X Orlando), the Swiss Mission School Troop, by the Acting Divisional Commissioner, Mr T.D.Keep, who also presented Mr M. Mkhabele, the Scoutmaster, with his warrant.

For the next hour we were entertained by troop after troop giving songs, yells and displays, the deaf and dumb troop also gave us an excellent dance.

On the arrival of Mr (father,) Mr M. Fleischer Association, Dr Ashton, Officer of the Municipality of the Wemmer Employment the afternoon began.

The Commissioner in person who reported Solomon and introduced Mr Fleischer Imperial Headquarters the medal on Solomon's the left hand and congratulated African Scout ever to

As the gold medal in the case, Mr Fleischer signed by the Governor General South Africa. When the

the scouts formed a circle by dancing round him and singing "Ingonyama siyayikhusela", and the afternoon finished with the singing of "Nkosi sikekela y-Afrika".

I am sure all Scouters and Scouts join with me in saying "Well done, Solomon, we are very proud of you, Bravo."



Shimidzu, (Solomon's of the European Scout Chief Recreational ty, and Mr W. Cohen Bureau, the real work of

introduced Mr Cohen as the men's fine deed. After what Solomon had done, he congratulated Solomon, who on behalf of presented and pinned shirt, shaking him by ulating him as the first receive the award. its green ribbon sparkled real out the citation era., the Chief Scout of cheering had subsided and showed their pleasure

Claude Lunniss.

D/P/S/C Orlando.



THE WITCH DOCTOR.

Tears welled up in Obit's eyes and the headman, without a word, lifted him as if he were a feather, seated him in the crook of one of his big arms, and, picking up the rifle, strode off into the bush.

Ten minutes later Obit heard voices and lifted his head from the headman's shoulder to see the light of a fire in the bush. The headman lowered him to the ground and led him to where ten men were squatting in a circle watching an old man wearing motor-goggles who sat by the fire examining a collection of small bones, sticks, and stones on the ground in front of him. As the headman and Obit walked into the firelight all stared at Obit as if they were seeing a ghost, and the old man looked very uneasy.

"Wise man, you were wrong, Obit lives" said the headman. Then turning to Obit: "Come child, you will sleep now."

"No, I must speak" said Obit, "I have --"

"Keep quiet child," broke in the headman. "There are many things I would like to know from you, but I can see when a man is ready to drop into a sleep. Come!!!! and he dragged him away by the arm."

"We have something to do to-night," Obit said when they were away from the others, and the headman knew from the way he spoke that it was something of great importance, so he listened while Obit told him what had happened.

"Child you have done a wonderful thing," the headman told him when he had finished. "That witch-doctor over there has been throwing the bones all day and saw the Mtakati buffalo kill you. I believed him until I heard your rifle speak. Now I believe you and know that he lies. You will eat some food while I speak to these people and make them come with me to find Fogazi. Wait while I get the food."

He soon returned with some cold meat and a wooden jar of milk and some water with which he soothed Obit's cheek.

"Eat child" he said. "My heart is pleased to find you again and more pleased to hear of the great thing which you have done. Now I will speak to the old man, who is no witch-doctor."

Obit felt much better as he ate and listened to the murmur of voices from round the fire. The old man spoke first, and then he heard the headman's voice raised in anger above the others, as he walked across to see what the trouble was about. The headman was standing by the witch-doctor, shouting angrily.

"The child speaks the truth" he bellowed "and this old man is no witch-doctor."

There was an angry growl from the others, then a dead silence as Obit stepped into the circle holding up the hairless tail of the white buffalo. The Headman took it from him, examined it, and passed it all round the circle. The witch-doctor hurriedly collected his bones and sticks and crept away.

Obit went and finished the milk and the headman retained him.

"We Zulu people have a great respect for the Mtakati" he said. "I know that what you tell me is good, but these people are even now not so sure, and they will only go into the night if you go also. If I carry you, can you manage it?"

"I feel better now" said Obit. With no more waste of time and words they were soon all in the bush with the headman in the lead. He seemed to find



# Our Children's Day



## Competition:

The competition was held at the Wanderers Ground on the 2nd November, 1946.

## Troops Present.

1st Sophiatown, 2nd Orlando, Alexandra and 2nd Johannesburg.

## Bands Present.

1st Alberton, Boksburg Methodist, 2nd Orlando, 2nd Johannesburg.  
(The 1st Alberton Band won a Trophy.)

## Events.

Boys under 12 years : 50 yards, Potato race, Wheelbarrow.  
Boys 12 - 15 years : 80 yards, Potato race, Wheelbarrow.  
relay race, tug-of-war.  
Boys 15 - 18 years : 100 yards, Potato race, Wheelbarrow  
relay, tug-of-war.

Children were well catered for by the Children's Day Committee. Icecream, bun, meat pie were served to each scout present.

Mr. Marivate spent the whole day with the Competitors and did great work.

G. Motaung.  
Asst. Scoutmaster.  
2nd Johannesburg.  
2nd November, 1946.

## THE WITCHDOCTOR (Cont'd.) (From page 7.)

no difficulty in following the spoor although the moon shone very dimly through the bush. Obit started off walking, but repeatedly fell over branches and roots, so the headman carried him on his back, where he went to sleep.

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# Rand Central Rally



This Rally was held at the Bantu Sports Ground, Johannesburg on the 16th November 1946. Five Troops took part, and other Troops from Alberton, Sphiatown (two Troops), Diepkloof, Klerksdorp, Potchefstroom and Rodepoort (deaf and dumb Scouts) came as spectators.

The quality of the Rally was the best I have ever seen. This was due to the fact that our very high officials, such as the Chief P/Scout's Commissioner, Mr. J. D. Rheinallt-Jones, Mr. T. D. Keen, Capt. K. Fleischer (Secretary of the European Scouts), and our greatest friend, Capt. Barber attended.

Mr. Musgrave and a large number of European Scout Officers and Scouts and a Lady Scoutmaster acted as judges. Owing to their help we were able to finish all the tests very quickly.

The afternoon was devoted to Displays, Songs and Yells. These items were performed very well; every Troop was ready when called upon to perform.

The Trophy was won by the II Randfontein Troop, with 158 points out of 200, II Alexandria came next with 148, then III Evaton 144, VIII Orlando 143 and I Sphiatown 131. It was presented by the Chief P/S's Commissioner.

After the presentation, Messrs. Jones and Musgrave spoke, and I said a few words to thank those who had come. The Anthems were sung and all the Troops marched past the Chief P/S Commissioner who took the salute, on their way to the Station.

I wish to thank all who made this Rally a success. The Officials, the Judges and especially Mr. J. P. Rees for the provision he made for feeding all who came. I also thank Messrs. Modise and Dube, Students of the Hofmeyr School of Social Service who helped me.

Last but not least, I thank Mr. Legae, P/S/M of the I Alberton Troop whose Band added lustre to the most successful Rally of the year.

D. C. Marivate.

Organiser.

(The above article has been shortened. Editors.)



# Pretoria Rally



By D. C. Marivate.

I am publishing below the programme that was followed this year in the Annual Competition that was held in Pretoria District, perhaps some of the Commissioners in other Districts may want to draw something of the kind in their next rallies.

The programme is a departure from the ordinary or usual programmes that we often follow. It has been drawn with the aim of "occupying every scout for the whole day" and also for "providing practical tests of scout knowledge, instead of merely "classroom theory of the subject."

It is a very interesting programme and a real scout one, but very frightening at a glance and unless the scout master reads it carefully and, at the same time using his imagination, it may lead him to despair. Yet some troops that have tried it found that there was nothing in it that could really frighten a man.

Admittedly our Pathfinder Troops have not yet attained the 1st Class stage, therefore, the committee asked too much by prescribing the "A" group that appears in the programme.

When Mr. Mokgako and I came back from Europe, we had agreed on a programme that would raise the standard of Scouting (Pathfinder section) on a gradual process. We had agreed that for a certain period our rallies would consist only of tenderfoot and later of 2nd Class work. We had not up to the present started our 1st class programme.

Our Training courses also were based on Tenderfoot and 2nd class stage, except in July this year when First Class was introduced at the "Gilwell Training Course" at Nancefield.

So that, until we have a sufficient number of 1st Class Scout Masters in the country, I do not think we could set a first class item for our rallies.

Of course, in this case, the Scout Masters who were concerned with the programme in question had been consulted and the programme had been presented to their meeting before it was published or circulated, but, unfortunately, some of the Officers did not point out their difficulties, but, sad to say, they went home, perhaps tried the programme, found it complicated and despaired. As a result, many troops did not come to the Rally this year. On enquiry, we were told that the programme had too much work.

The excuse, though justified in some respects, is not acceptable, because all the Officers were given the chance to criticise the programme, and, besides, it offers many suggestions for the troops that have dry programmes during the year. Such a programme, if circulated at the beginning of the year, helps to keep the whole troop busy all the time.

Here is the Programme:-

## Young Trophy Competitions.

- Aims :
- (a) Providing practical tests of scout knowledge, instead of merely classroom theory of the subject.
  - (b) Occupying, as far as possible, every Scout for the whole day.
  - (c) Providing suggestions for training for the rest of the year.

Please read through them carefully, and bring any questions and comments with

/you



you to the meeting.

HOME ACTIVITIES. Each Troop to produce for inspection:

- (a) Model Camp-site for patrol camp: about 3' x 2'6", wooden base, covered with clay, scale 1" to 1'; showing tent, fireplace, pits, camp gadgets. (For suggestions see "Scouting for Boys", yarn 9.)
- (b) Troop woggles: made from natural materials by scouts (wood, bone, leather, skin etc.) Suggested that general style be uniform through Troop, but decorated, carved or painted according to patrols.
- (c) Four Semaphore Signalling Flags. Preferably home-made, size 18" x 18" in diagonal colours, black and white (or yellow and dark red), lighter colour uppermost. Sticks 2'6".
- (d) Eight Scout Staves.
- (e) Eight Light Lashings, not less than 20 feet, whipped.
- (f) Pencil per man.

(Last four items required for competitions below).

- (g) Records: troop log, records of Scouts, statement of accounts.

## 2. UNIFORM INSPECTION AND MARCH PAST.

## 3. TESTS IN SCOUT ACTIVITIES.

These to be in four groups (A, B, C, D), which will run simultaneously through the morning, each under the charge of a senior judge, with assistants. Each troop to enter a team of six in each group. Larger troops may enter more teams, but will only score for one team in each group (its most successful one.)

The groups are graded: "A" containing some first-class work; "B" and "C" Second Class; "D" Tenderfoot only, so that Scoutmasters may select their teams accordingly. Each team should be under the command of a competent patrol-leader, however. Scoutmasters will not be allowed to direct their troops in any part of the competitions (except march past.)

The exact forms of the tests to be worked out by the Judge, who will have no connection with any troop in the district, but the tests to be selected from, or adapted from, the following:

### GROUP A.

Signalling: each team to operate two signalling stations, to send and receive a simple message. (3 scouts to each station; points for speed and accuracy.)

Mapping: Map, and panorama sketch from vantage point.

Estimation: of height, distances, numbers and weight.

Draw-up ration-list: for camp for a patrol for given length of time.

Life-line throwing.

### GROUP B.

Stalking competition: Scouts to observe actions of judge from hiding place without being seen (or similar stalking game.)

Compass: plotting a simple course from compass directions given. (North indicated by rope stretched on ground.)

Fire-lighting: speed competition, only materials allowed two matched and block of wood. Cocoa for troop to be cooked afterwards on fire.

Tracking: Identifying drawings of ten footprints by comparing with feet of subjects.

Carrying injured man: By fireman's lift or two-man seat.

### GROUP C.

Building flagstaff from staves.

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## CUB PAGE.

## JUNGLE DANCES

DANCE OF THE DEATH OF SHERE KHAN.

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The Story.

Because he had plotted the death or downfall of Akela; because he had flattered and cajoled the younger wolves till they had forgotten they were the free people, forgotten their loyalty, forgotten their courage, Mowgli had sworn to kill Shere Khan, the coward and braggart, and lay his striped hide on the Council Rock.

Using as his tools of justice, the fierce buffalos, of which the Men-folk had made him herd, Mowgli compassed the death of the lame tiger. Grey Brother brought him the news that the tiger, full fed, was resting in a cool ravine, the walls of which were too steep for any animal to climb. Mowgli divided the herd into two parts; the cows and calves guided by their fear of Akela and Grey Brother, raced down one end of the ravine; the other led by Rama, the great bull, on whose massive back was perched little Mowgli, poured down the donga from the other end. Trapped and outwitted, the Hunter of little Wolf Cubs met the ignoble end that he deserved.

Disturbed in his work of skinning the cattle eater, Mowgli found Buldeo, the braggart hunter among the Men-folk anxious to rob him of both hide and the honour of his kill. Calling Akela to his aid, Mowgli finished his task while the terrified Hunter lay still beneath Akela's paw. The hide rolled on his head, and Buldeo sped home-wards to tell his garbled tale, Mowgli set off once again, for the Council Rock. On his way, as he passed the village of the Man Pack, he was attacked by sticks and stones by those whom he had tried to serve. Buldeo had named him sorcerer, and no one in the village dared longer say a good word for him.

Sore at heart, an outcast from the Free people, and now too, from the Man Pack, Mowgli once more came to the Council Rock. There, he called the Pack together, as of old, and before the assembled Pack he spread the skin of the Lame Tiger over the rock, taunting it as he stood before it. He had kept his word, and the braggart would no longer cause the ruin of the Free people.

The Dance.

The Pack forms a Rock Circle. One Cub is Mowgli, with something on his head to represent the Hide of Shere Khan, Mowgli turns right, followed by the Pack. They all go round in a slow circle, one step for every line of the song, with appropriate gestures. The tune is known as "Frere Jacques."

Words:

Mowgli's Hunting; (shade eyes and scan jungle)  
 Mowgli's Hunting; ( " " " " " )  
 Killed Shere Khan; (downward stabbing motion with R. Hand)  
 Killed Shere Khan. ( " " " " " )  
 Skinned the Cattle Eater; (skinning motion - real effort)  
 Skinned the Cattle Eater; ( " " " " " )  
 Ra! Ra! Ra! (Turn round stamping, one hand raised, ending to face in the  
 Ra! Ra! Ra! opposite direction.)

The Dance is then repeated facing left. At the end all the wolves, except Mowgli, squat on their haunches. Mowgli enters the circle and flings his hide on ground (or Rock). Stepping back, he utters four taunts with great

/energy ...



DANCE OF THE DEATH OF SHERE KHAN (CONT'D.)

energy and scorn. After each "taunt", the wolves growl fiercely and crawl a small pace nearer Hide.

Taunts.

Mowgli. "Lungri."  
 Pack. Grrrrr  
 Mowgli. "Frog-Eater."  
 Pack. Grrrr.  
 Mowgli. "Burned beast of the Jungle."  
 Pack. Grrrrr.  
 Mowgli. "Hunter of little naked Man Cubs."  
 Pack. Grrrrr.  
 Mowgli. (throwing both arms up in gesture of triumph) "Shere Khan is dead!"  
 All. (patting the ground with both hands at each word and saying each lower and slower.) "DEAD! DEAD! DEAD!"  
 All. (all leap in air shouting their loudest "Ra" and fall in a circle - one arm and head on the Hide.

At the call "Pack" all come to alert and the Dance is ended.

N.B. Make sure the pack know what they are saying. I have heard Cubs saying "Skin the cat and eat her". The latter part of the dance is very dramatic. Allow no laughter. Avoid the desire of all Cubs to get further into the circle than anyone else! If they are too near they will bump heads when they fall.

The whole dance must be fierce in tone. If your Cubs can fall in one motion and form a circle, feet outward, it is very impressive. It can be done if they practise falling with muscles relaxed.

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Building flagstaff from staves. (Required: six staves, five lashings. Lash four staves together with sheer lashing about 9" from top. Centre stave projects about 1 foot beyond others. Pull out three outer staves to form tripod on ground. Lash fifth stave on top of centre stave with two sheer lashings; sixth on top of that with two more. Rig line and rope pulley for hoisting flag with twine.

Signalling: One man taken from each team and given list of articles. He will signal these back to his patrol, who send runners out to him with required article. First to finish collection wins.

Scouts' Pace: given track to be covered as nearly possible at Scouts' pace (1 mile in 12½ minutes.)

Observation: scene acted by judges. Teams asked to describe articles (as in Kim's game), descriptions of actors etc. etc.

First aid: practical first aid treatment of simple accidents.

Group D.

Laws: from story told by judge, to write down what scout laws are kept or broken in story.

Knotting: relay race on tenderfoot knots. Whipping. Lashing up bundle.

Tying up men.

Flags: draw with coloured chalks.

Scout signs: salutes, patrol calls.

4. Entertainments.

1. Short sketch play, or stunt, illustrating one of scout laws OR Demonstration of next instructional game.

2. Song. 3. Yell.  
 (2 and 3 to be quite distinct from one another.)

Lunch to be held as picnic on site. HQ to provide cocoa, scouts to bring food.

Young and small troops are encouraged to enter for as much of the above as they can, even if unable to enter for every section.



ORLANDO DISTRICT.

JUNGLE MEETING.  
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By Rikki.

Look out! Snake!

Was it a snake really?

Yes, but it was Kaa, the Rock Snake, and everyone knows that he is a friend of all Wolf Cubs. As a consequence, none of these who attended the Jungle Meeting of the Orlando Wolf Cub Packs on the 19th October were afraid.

The Jungle Meeting was a very simple affair. Cubs do not mind about prizes and flags, they just do their best, and enjoy themselves. So nobody won and nobody lost, everyone had a good time, and also, everyone learnt something new.

The programme consisted of stories of the Jungle, Jungle Dances and games. During the afternoon the Cubs made a kill, and very much enjoyed eating it (that means that they had ice-suckers and oranges); after eating, each Pack sang a song and the Jungle Folk listened spell-bound.

The stories were told by B. Zulu and C. Ramosime, Old Wolves of the I J.H.B. Pack, and the Dances were performed by the II, V, and VIII Orlando Packs. Special mention must be made of the II Orlando Pack for their very original presentation of the Baloo Dance. The games were played by all.

From the Council Rock two distinguished Old Wolves, Mr. T. D. Keen and Lt. Col. A. H. Johnstone addressed the Meeting, and then the giant trees of the Jungle rocked and shuddered as 200 Cubs gave a final Grand Howl in farewell.

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PATHFINDER SUNDAY.

B E N O N I.  
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We have received a very full amount of the way in which Pathfinder Sunday was observed in Benoni Location. We only regret that we are not able to print it in full.

Many distinguished people were present, including Mr. D. Marivate P/S Organiser; Mr. D. Nduna, A/D/C East Rand; Rev. D. Rakale P/S Chaplain East Rand, and Mrs. Fors, District Commandant of the Local Red Cross Association.

After the Service in the Methodist Church the Scouts marched round the Square behind the 1 Alberton Troop Band, and marched past the above-named Officers. Mr. Marivate addressed the Scouts and their parents, and the proceedings ended with the distribution of oranges to all the Scouts present.

The Editors.



TSHAKHUMA 6TH TO 11th OCT., 1946.

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The following troops were represented:- Tshakhuma, Valdezia, Mambedi, Kurulen, Tlangelan, and Pretoria.

The following officers were in attendance:- H. Q. Organiser D. C. Marivate, D.P.S.C. D. W. Giesekke, S. M. Tshakhuma, B. Mulangaphuma, and S. M. Preetira - D. Nthulare. Altogether 37 P/L's attended the camp.

Owing to bad weather it was not possible to camp in the open from the start. On Sunday camp was temporarily pitched in sheds near the school. Though the actual rain abated somewhat on Monday, the ground was still wet and it was decided to wait till Tuesday before moving from the safety of the sheds. Despite the disappointing weather, the boys showed an excellent spirit and they took to the camp routine like ducks to water. Instruction began at 7 a.m. on Monday morning and a stiff pace was maintained till 5.30 p.m. when the bus arrived bring the Scouts from Pretoria. Wet wood and mud were not enough to curb the boys enthusiasm, and after supper they welcomed the Pretoria Scouts amid songs and speeches around a camp fire.

Tuesday dawned fine, and after breakfast and inspection, the camp was moved to the open. As no tents could be procured, bivouacs were made of branches and each patrol built their own. It was not long before the camp site was made homely, and by the afternoon, instruction in badge work could continue again. Unfortunately the weather did not last and after the camp fire on Thursday evening the camp had once more to be moved to the sheds. A wet Friday forced us to conclude the camp where we had begun it.

Instruction was given in Tenderfoot and Second Class work. The eagerness of the boys to gain all they could and the appreciation of an opportunity to be at last master of the much longed for Second Class badge was a great encouragement to the instructors, and a stiff pace was maintained throughout. The badgework was interspaced by talks on Scouting generally, the Patrol system, the Court of Honour, Troop Records, etc. The camp fires which were held every evening were a great success, and they served to show the boys that camp fires need not only consist of singing and yelling. The yarns and Patrol competitions were acclaimed whole-heartedly.

As a whole the camp proved to be an undoubted success, and I feel that a P/L's camp should be an annual institution. It was significant to notice how the spirit of brotherhood spread among the boys. Here were boys from three different African tribes, who in many cases had only English as a common language, boys ranging from well-to-do parents to boys from the poorest class, boys barely able to utter a word of English and boys in a secondary school all mingling as true brothers. The spirit of fraternity was a revelation to one who has constantly to deal with racial friction and class distinction in a large school. The fact that boys who had barely met could treat each other with the greatest trust and could welcome each other as brothers, alone made this camp worth while. Doubtlessly many a true friendship has been sealed at this camp. This was also evident from the remarks the boys made before we dismissed them on Friday afternoon.

In conclusion, therefore, I wish to thank the council for sending Organiser D. C. Marivate, whose help was indispensable in the successful running of the camp. Then also I wish to thank the Council for the publicity that they have given to our invitation to Scouts from other districts to attend our camp here. I only hope that the camp has proved as beneficial to our visitors from Pretoria as it, undoubtedly, has for our boys. From our point of view, the experiment has really been worth while, and, with the consent of Council, the invitation will be extended again next year when we have our P/L's camp.

D. W. Giesekke.

D.P.S.C. Louis Trichardt.





# Health Notes

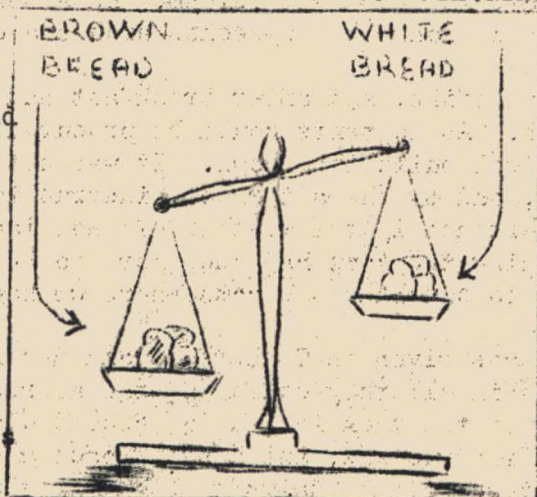
## WHITE OR BROWN BREAD?

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British experts say that the country should not go back to the pre-war white loaf, but should retain the present national flour. They urge that a return to the white flour for bread would be thoroughly bad for the nation's health. The report says: "There is, in the opinion of the medical profession, evidence that national flour must have made a considerable contribution to maintaining, and, on the average, improving the nation's health."

The old wheat. The British national flour contained only 70 per cent. That 10 per cent difference contains very valuable



white flour contained 80 per cent of different substances that are for health, and

the doctors in Britain are of opinion that the improved health the British people have had during the war has been largely due to the national flour. The people had less food, but because of the change of bread it was better food.

The brown loaf is much better than the old white bread.

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