

A ride in Pennsylvania Railroad locomotive cab goes to Eagle Joseph Bux. Engineer C. H. McCullough shows the way.

Republic Aviation executive Mundy Peale explains detail of aircraft cockpit to air-minded Eagle Scout Jack Lowenthal of Troop 407, Brooklyn.



Sea Explorer Ben Du Bose, Eagle from Ship 40, Brooklyn, gets know-how of ship's sextant from Coast Guard officer.

EAGLES FLY



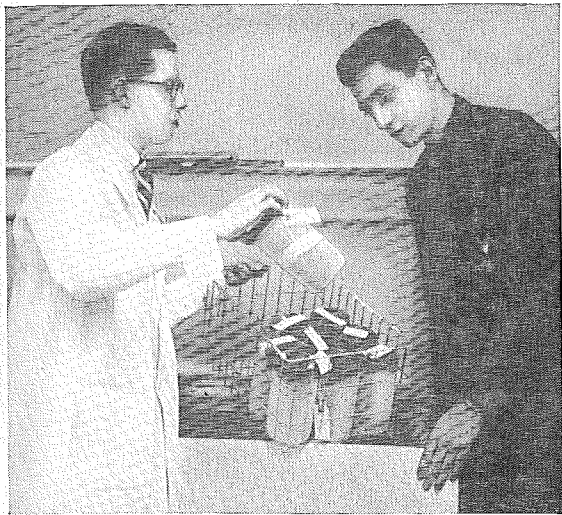
IN NEW YORK CITY during Scout Week this year, a hundred of the city's top leaders and business executives from a hundred leading organizations played host for an unforgettable day to a hundred selected Eagle Scouts. It was Greater New York Council's "Community Leadership Day," a bold experiment in citizenship designed to bring together the leaders of today and the leaders of tomorrow.

The experiment worked.

It was, in fact, an outstanding success. More important, however, is the fact that it can be *duplicated* wherever there are Eagle Scouts and public-spirited men. And that, in the U. S. A., happens to mean everywhere.

Here's how New York did it:

- 1) They sent a carefully drafted letter to the heads of 100 top-ranking organizations — in industry, commerce, labor, education, social welfare and government. This letter explained the project and invited them to spend the day with an outstanding Eagle Scout.
- 2) At the same time, another letter went out to the Eagle Scouts, inviting them to "spend a day with the executive head of one of the leading organizations in our city . . . see his place of business, learning the responsibility involved, meeting his



Columbia Medical Center's Dr. Charles Bassett shows Fred Gordon around hospital bone bank.



Chief City Magistrate John M. Murtagh explains court procedure to Eagle Scout Leonard Friedman.



Eagle George Goering Jr. learns secrets of TV camera from NBC television executive.

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Are there Eagle Scouts in your Council? Are there community-minded business and professional men? Here's a way to get them together—with the accent on tomorrow!

associates and possibly having luncheon with him." Enclosed with this was an application blank, calling for background information on the Eagle's Scouting record, school interests, hobbies, etc.

- 3) The Eagles who applied, attended a special training session held on a Saturday morning about 10 days before the event. At this session, members of the Council Activities Committee interviewed and rated each Scout, noting such factors as personality, intelligence, vocational interests, etc. Also at this session there were group discussions of the aims and the "how" of Community Leadership Day, tactful suggestions on important little items like greeting your host, giving and remembering names, ordering from a menu, and "what to do if personal matters occupy the attention of the executive temporarily."
- 4) On the basis of the ratings, vocational interests and information on the applications, the Activities Committee then assigned each Eagle Scout to the organization that seemed to fit him best, and notified the Scouts and the organizations of the assignments.

Some of the biggest men in New York, representing some of the best-known organizations in the nation, co-

operated to make Community Leadership Day a top-rate activity. Enterprises such as American Airlines, Associated Press, Columbia University, Eastman Kodak, Hotel Waldorf-Astoria, International Business Machines, Metropolitan Life, J. P. Morgan and Company, New York Central Railway, Radio City Music Hall, New York Times, Standard Oil, Western Union—these and dozens more like them were enthusiastic participants. Playing equally important parts were such important community institutions as the American Museum of Natural History, New York Public Library, Ford Foundation, Catholic Charities of New York, Philharmonic-Symphony Society, and governmental agencies such as the Army, Navy, Marines and Air Force, and the key departments of the New York City municipal administration.

In short, everything was done to offer to the Scouts a truly representative cross-section of the community in which they were growing up, and which in a few years they would join as full-fledged citizens—better citizens, without doubt, because of milestone experiences like Community Leadership Day.

SCOUT WEEK COMES NEXT FEBRUARY 6-12. WHY NOT START PLANNING A COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP DAY IN YOUR COUNCIL—NOW! THE END.

Scout Shorts

A SCOUT IS ALERT. Twelve-year-old James Baremore of Shrewsbury, Mo., was credited with saving a Frisco Lines freight train from possible derailment, when his alertness in noting and reporting a brake beam dragging beneath the train averted a wreck.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat, April 13, 1954



WE MARCH AHEAD. Membership figures, as of May 31, showed:

Cub Scouts	1,069,054
Boy Scouts	1,038,403
Explorers	398,008
TOTAL BOYS	2,505,465
Cub Packs	30,857
Scout Troops	50,407
Explorer Units	11,579
TOTAL UNITS	92,843



THE FALL ROUNDUP is in full swing across the nation. No Unit should "miss the boat" on this chance to (a) get into high-gear for a big year, with a full staff of leaders, and lots of plans for the coming months, and (b) cash in on the big crop of new prospects. Many boys have reached proper age during the summer. Others have moved into your neighborhood. There are

lots of good prospects. But very few will come into your Unit without specific, friendly, personal invitations. They need to know that they are not only welcome but wanted. The only way you can reach every prospect personally is to organize for it.



GOOD TURNS KEEP GROWING. Scouts and Explorers of Troop 396 heard of a Troop in Japan in need of Scout equipment and clothing, and sent them a 90-lb. carton. They received in return, quite unexpectedly, a carton of homemade Japanese toys. The U. S. State Department heard about the event and sent three representatives to the ceremonies, which were tape-recorded and broadcast over the "Voice of America." Thus a simple good turn mushroomed into another means of spreading the word of democracy throughout the world.

James Boyer, Scout Executive, Brooklyn, N. Y.



PROGRAM QUARTERLIES. Program material for the Winter Quarter (December, January, February) has been shipped to Local

Councils, who will be distributing it during October. Free copies are provided on the following basis: Two to each Unit; plus a Cub Scout Quarterly to each registered Den Mother; plus Explorer Quarterlies to Scoutmasters and Advisors in Troops. Registered Commissioners get all three, of course. Extras are available, at small cost, through your Local Council office. Please **DO NOT** send requests to us.



BLUE RIBBON EVENTS. Editors of the Explorer Quarterlies urge Explorer Units to send in accounts of those outstanding activities which should be shared with Explorers over the nation. Break down and write us a letter. And don't forget pictures.



WHERE THERE'S A WILL. Recently the cancer fund was getting a \$12 assist from two 12-year-old Boy Scouts of Troop 23, Des Moines, Iowa. Richard Counce and Rolland Palmer, in authentic Indian costumes of their own making, put on an original dance routine in the Counce back yard before more than 50 "paying guests" for the benefit of the cancer fund.

Dee Walker, Des Moines, Iowa

If, through some catastrophe, the Exposition could not have opened its doors, the Patrols and Troops would still have been far ahead because of the dividends they had received in preparing for the show — dividends growing out of close teamwork, research in library and museum, experience in planning, mastery of skills, making of equipment. They were stronger Troops and Patrols because of it.

BOLDLY INSCRIBED across the entrance to the magnificent Detroit Public Library on Woodward Avenue is the statement, "Knowledge is Power," and directly across the avenue stands the Detroit Institute of Arts "Dedicated to the Knowledge and Enjoyment of Art."

And further out on Woodward Avenue I found Detroit's Exposition of Scouting filling four buildings of the State Fairgrounds, 450 booths highlighting enthusiastic activity which might well have been placarded "Dedicated to sharing the *Knowledge, Enjoyment and Use of Scouting Values*," for the more than 20,000 boys on duty were determined to "share" their Scouting

knowledge and fun with all the grown-ups who looked and listened — more than 100,000 of them!

"What are the *getting-ready* values of preparing such a booth? Does participation in a big event like this really strengthen your Unit? *How* does it help?" I asked leader after leader.

Experience in Planning

More than 250 of the Units had chosen and started to work on their Exposition activity before December 31, thus qualifying as "A" Units. This meant, of course, that for more than four months the Exposition had furnished purpose and motivation for Unit. In December or before, the boys of the Unit had chosen their activity, had set to work, had begun dreaming ahead to the big event.

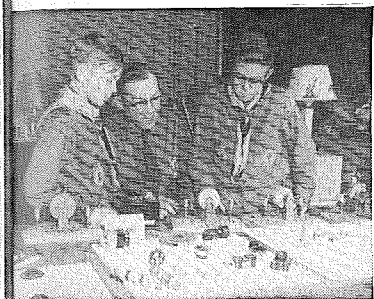
Here is booth 276, operated by Troop 315 of the 3rd Precinct of the Detroit Police Department, with half a dozen Scouts at the moment, very much in earnest, demonstrating the Fingerprinting merit badge. Scoutmaster James R. Bradley explains that more than 30 Scouts, working in cooperation with Inspector Pace of the Police Department and Civil Defense, have learned fingerprinting skills thoroughly. They showed no hesitation as they rolled my fingertips in ink, imprinted the design on a card and presented it to me. There was

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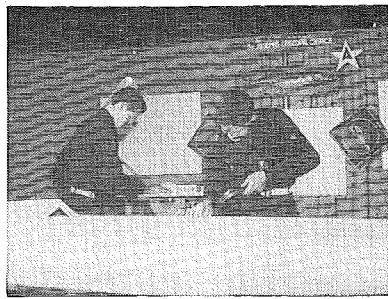
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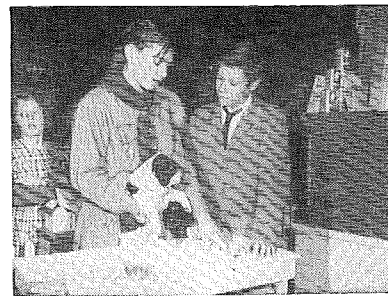
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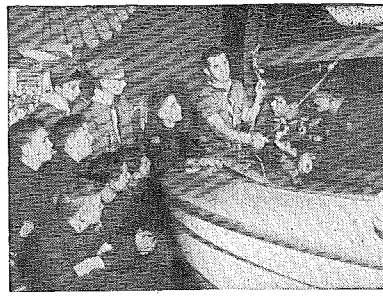
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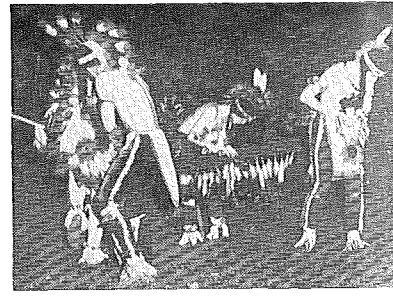
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1 *PATROL MEETINGS* were busy places, making doorbell sets, tin can lamps, buzzers, motors. These were on display at the huge Scout show while Scouts demonstrated how they were made.

2 *THEY BUILT BOATS AND KAYAKS*—and as a result of their own mounting enthusiasm, these Explorers enrolled several new Explorers to help with the big job.

3 *ONE SECTION* of a huge story-telling totem pole. Nine parts, one for each Patrol make up a 50-foot pole when assembled. Research in history, planning, teamwork—many things besides carving skills grew out of the project.

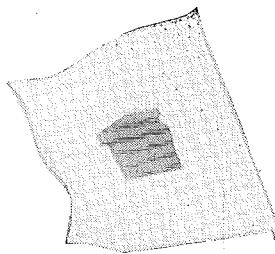
4 *EXPLORERS IN ACTION.* They demonstrated blinker lights, emergency stoves, mobile communication, first aid, food serving, fire fighting and other emergency service skills.

5 *FINGERPRINTING* skill plus courtesy seemed to be the spirit of Scouts and Explorers as they took your fingerprints.

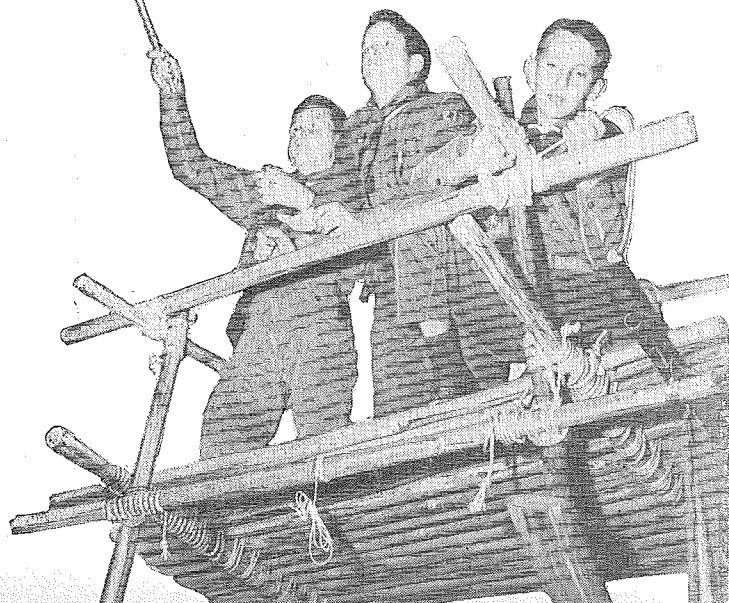
6 *A SCOUT IS KIND.* And he is prepared to answer a lot of questions about dog care. Trained to tell the story, he and 22 other members of his Troop earned the Dog Care merit badge in getting ready for the show.

7 *"THIS IS THE WAY IT WORKS."* Scouts and Explorers explained and demonstrated over and over again to the more than 100,000 people who attended the show.

8 *OUR EXPLORER CREW* came to life following Indiancraft preparation for our show, Earl Bartareau declared. They searched in libraries and museums for background, made a tepee, made costumes, and learned Indian dancing.



Atop the signal tower. It took 12 months to plan and get ready but they built the 30-foot tower in less than two hours. Strongest signaling Patrol had the honor of demonstrating signaling from the tower.



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courtesy in their manner as well as efficiency in their craftsmanship.

"Getting ready for this Exposition," Scoutmaster Bradley told me, "has been the high spot of our last six months. Our Patrols are stronger and our Scouts are more eager than ever."

Values by Patrols

Into another huge building, filled by eager thousands of parents and friends, I wandered in search of a leader not too deeply involved to talk.

"He's up there," a smiling Scout told me, pointing to the top of the signal tower, when I asked for his Scoutmaster.

"We started a year ago," Scoutmaster R. W. Proctor, Troop 277 of Bushnell Congregational Church, said as he pointed out various parts of their booths on Bridge and Tower building, adding "We put up that tower in two hours, but we worked twelve months to get ready to do it!" He explained that as a result of "Pioneering month" they had chosen the ablest two Patrols to do the lashing. Another month the Troop worked on Signaling, and at the month's end, the two strongest Patrols were chosen to signal across the huge Exposition room to each other, sending messages given them by visitors. Thus each Patrol was doing something at the Exposition for which it had prepared in competition with other Patrols of the Troop and earned the right to "do its stuff." They had pointed toward this week end for a year, and had concentrated on it during the past two months.

Purpose to Patrol Meetings

"Another 'A' Patrol," I observed. "Let's see what goes on here."

Scoutmaster Alfred Law, Troop D51, Church of the Divine Child, Dearborn, Michigan, was enthusiastic about how the five Patrols of the Troop had worked, making the various gadgets displayed in their Electricity merit badge booth.

"Everything was made in Patrol meetings — bell sets, tin can lamps, buzzers, motors, everything you see here. The 14 men of our Troop Committee worked with the various Patrols — and they really worked." The Scoutmaster seemed almost as proud of the Troop Committeemen as he was of the Scouts!

Boat and Kayak Building

"Several new Explorers joined, largely because of the enthusiasm growing out of the bigness of the job we had tackled," Explorer Advisor Glen Sherwood told me. "Post 62, St. Joseph's Episcopal Church, has fifteen members, five of them are Eagles. We've put everything

into this project for three months. Now we're going to get going on a canoe trip soon."

Teamwork through Totem Pole

You'd like Troop 527, of Gloria Dei Lutheran Men's Club. You'd enjoy knowing all seven of their Patrols and their related Explorer Post, 22 Explorers strong.

"We surely did work by Patrols in getting ready. How else could you get such a job done?" Scoutmaster Eric S. Silvester asked me.

"First we got a huge pole, over fifty feet long. We cut it up into nine parts, one for each Patrol, one for the Explorers, and one section for the leaders. We'll put all nine parts together, with a pipe running through the center, and on August 4th we're going to erect it at Mackinaw Island. Last fall when we heard the Exposition was coming, we asked for the chance to tell the story of Mackinaw in carving and painting through the many dozens of historic events on this Totem Pole. Of course, each Patrol did a lot of research into the historical background, too."

Do you wonder that the aisles were blocked with people wanting to see this display and hear their well-rehearsed story?

There's no question in Scoutmaster Silvester's mind as to whether getting ready for an Exposition builds strong Patrols and high Troop morale!

Six Months after

A few days after, I asked an enthusiastic Scouter in St. Louis (Mo.) the question, "What values have your Explorers gained from your Circus of six months ago? Have there been some carry-over values?"

"Our Explorer Crew of Troop 365, Ferguson Jr. H. S. PTA, really came to life," Earl Bartareau, alert youthful Personnel Director of National Rejectors, Inc., told me, radiating enthusiasm.

"Three of our fellows had been to the Jamboree. They needed something big and challenging last fall. Some of the others needed a lift. We asked for an Indian part in 'Coming of the White Man' pageant in the Circus, and it was assigned to us.

"We started our Explorers digging into libraries and museum for Indian background," he went on. "After the Circus was over, the interest of our fellows continued in Indian lore. They made more authentic costumes, headdresses, and before long we had developed quite a service project in Indian dancing.

"These chances to help others are an important value that Indian lore has opened up for us. We have performed at several Cub Pack parent events and Courts of Honor, and we put on the Council Fire Ceremony at the Northwest District Camporee at the time of the dedication of Beaumont Reservation. The fellows got a big kick out of putting on a show at the Shrine Crippled Childrens Hospital."

— The dividends that come after the show are there for a Unit that uses them.