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birth of

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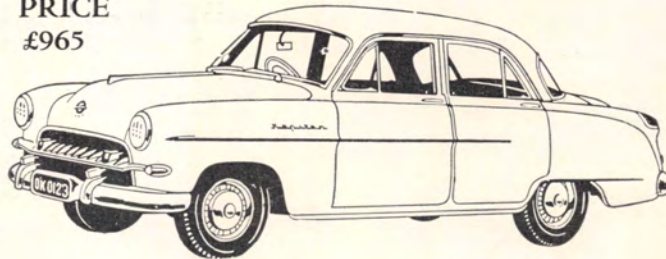
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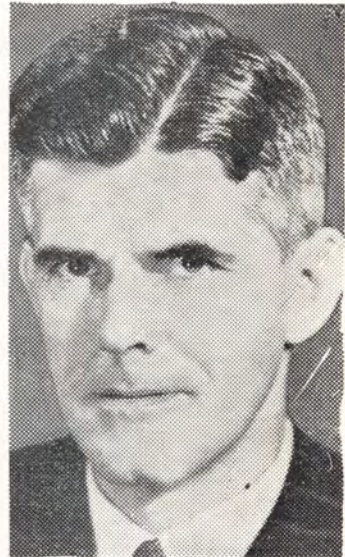
It is fitting, too, that Mashonaland Boy Scouts should so willingly join in a B.B. Display commemorating the centenary of the birth of Sir William A. Smith, Founder of The Boys' Brigade. The Scouts and the B.B. are more closely connected than most people realise (see page 40). In Salisbury particularly have the organisations got on well together and the Company will always remember the very welcome goodwill appearance that A.D.C. Jimmy Miller made at its very first meeting.

So it is with pleasure that we welcome those Members of The Boy Scouts who are here to-night. We are proud to have them with us.

We are proud, too, to welcome as our Chairman the Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia, The Hon. R. S. Garfield Todd, and Mrs. Todd. Their presence at this Display is much appreciated.

A warm welcome also for His Worship the Mayor of Salisbury, Council J. W. Swan, M.P., and Mrs. Swan. The Organisations represented here to-night play a big part in the life of any town or city and it is most gratifying that the First Citizens of our Capital should give us their support.

Finally, welcome to all those others present. Parents, friends, representatives of other organisations, all are welcome as we gather to-night to honour a Pioneer, the Founder of the pioneer uniformed youth organisation, the PIONEER OF BOYHOOD.

**OUR CHAIRMAN**

[Photo: The Rhodesia Herald]  
The Hon. R. S. GARFIELD TODD, Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia.

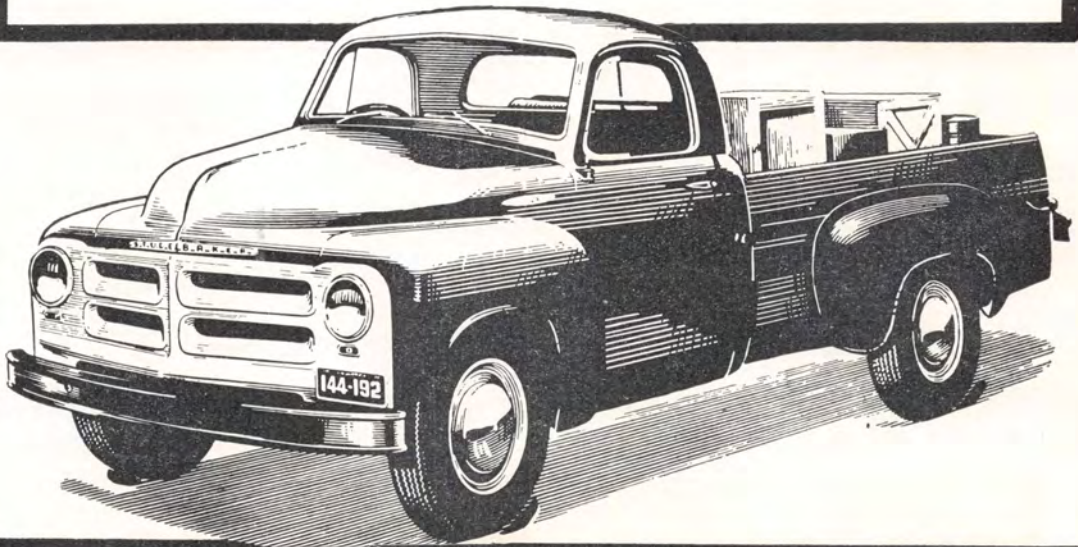


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Founder's Camp smiles from the Commandant, Sir Donald Finnemore (centre) the Adjutant, Mr. R. K. Brown (right) and the C.O. of a Camp Company, Mr. E. McWilliams (left).

"Rhodesia Salutes You, William Smith" was originally scheduled to be presented in 1954 — Founder's Centenary Year — and this booklet was intended for publication simultaneously. But fate intervened and the threat of Poliomyelitis caused its postponement. So we are late with our celebrations, although none the less sincere. We hope you enjoy the evening and trust that this booklet, with its record of Centenary Year events and review of B.B. work in Salisbury will make interesting reading.

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# THE FOUNDER AS I KNEW HIM

By DR. HERBERT GRAY

(for many years Chaplain to the 1st Glasgow Company)

TO begin with, he was very good to look at.

Tall, upright, like a good soldier, healthy, strong, active. He added distinction to any gathering, yet was entirely without pride. I never heard him speak with disparagement of any human being. He was quick to recognise good qualities anywhere.

With his inventive genius he conceived the idea of The Boys' Brigade and from then on it dominated his life. Without hesitation he gave his all to it.

From the very first I was impressed by his amazing capacity for detail. No trouble was too great if he might make sure that every meeting of the 1st Glasgow and of the B.B. organisation would be carried through without a hitch. He had a marked sense of order, efficiency and dignity. He was very strict, but he was also very kindly and understanding.

Honours came to him, but he never lost his modesty. He became "Sir William". He associated with great people. But he remained unchanged and was courteous and considerate to all.

## THE BRIGADE PRESIDENT INSPECTS THE 1st GLASGOW COMPANY



[Photo: George Outram & Co. Ltd.]

An audience of over 1,300 people saw Lord Maclay, President of The Boys' Brigade, inspect the Original Company, the 1st Glasgow, at the Company's Annual Inspection and Display in April. Among those present were the Founder's two sons and Mr. James Thomson, one of the survivors from 1883 (see page 19).

Lord Maclay also presented the prizes and awards, including five Queen's Badges and the original Squad Challenge Medal which has been won by successive N.C.O.s since 1885.

I think he had a touch of the Boy in him to the end. When the 1st Glasgow got going with the band in front, and all the rest of the hundred Boys marching with precision behind, I know his heart swelled within him. And he continued to command his old Company up to the day of his death.

The deep Christian faith of his Scottish forefathers controlled his life, and it was the dearest hope of his career to help Boys to find their faith.

His own religion was of the kind that cannot be mistaken. It was the root of all his living, yet it was never ostentatious or demonstrative. He seldom talked religion. He practised it.

Few of the B.B. Officers of to-day ever saw him in this life. But most truly he lives among us still—a great Christian gentleman, whose example we seek to follow, and whose great work is entrusted now to us to carry on to still greater heights in the years to be.

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# I WAS AT FOUNDER'S CAMP

FOUNDER'S CAMP, 1954, will long be remembered by over 2,000 Officers and Boys—it was the highlight of a year of wonderful events to honour the memory of our Founder.

I went to the Camp, along with one other Rhodesian Officer and five Rhodesian Boys. It rained. It rained a lot. But did that matter? No.

Amid such beautiful surroundings, in happy fellowship with men and Boys from nineteen countries (my address book reads like a gazetteer of the world), it wouldn't have mattered if it had snowed. And the Camp could quite easily have lasted for a month; it wouldn't have been too long.

This Camp was organised. And in a big way! I've been to a number of B.B. Camps since I

joined the B.B. (way back when I was thirteen); they've included Battalion Camps, inter-Company Camps, Company Camps and Rhodesian Camps! (I must mention "Rhodesian" because a Rhodesian Camp is vastly different from a British B.B. Camp—it has to be because of the very nature of the country.)

These Camps have all been organised but nowhere, repeat nowhere, could there have been the same organisation as there was behind Founder's Camp.

At the top was the Camp Commandant—The Hon. Sir Donald

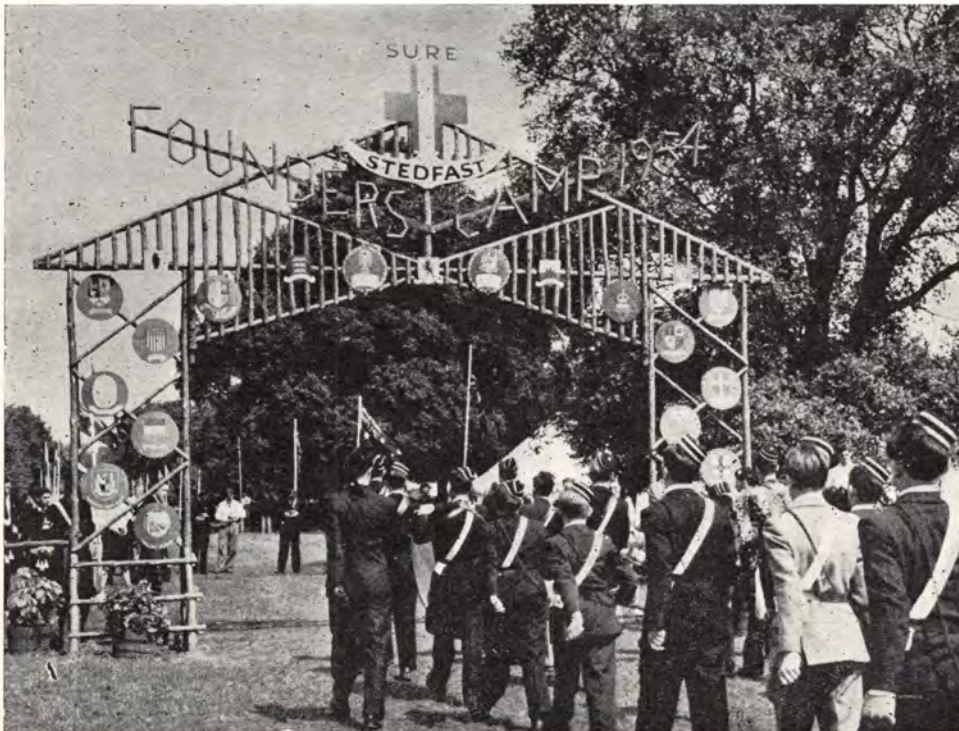
**By NORMAN COLTHAM**  
Lieutenant, 1st Salisbury

Finnemore (sometimes known as the Hon. Mr. Justice Finnemore) Founder Captain in 1913 (and still Captain) of the 1stA Birmingham Company.

Former British 440 yards hurdles athletic champion, R. K. Brown, O.B.E., T.D. (President of the Birmingham Battalion) was Adjutant.

Then the Camp was divided into eight Companies, each under a Company Commander and Adjutant, and these were, in turn, divided into 4 Lines. In charge

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Heads high, shoulders back, best foot forward. The Founder's Camp bugle band marches proudly through "Founder's Arch" into the Camp after attending Sunday morning service in one of the Eton College chapels.

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## PLENTY OF SPORT AT ETON

**T**WO thousand playing games together! What a programme to organise, but Founder's Camp Sports Officer John West and his assistants did a great job in arranging every day a sports programme covering 15 sports.

### FOUNDER'S CAMP

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of each Line was a Line Captain who had the assistance of two Line Officers.

From Reveille at 7 a.m. until Lights Out at 10.40 p.m., each Company had a full programme. There was swimming, boating, sports (football, rugby, cricket,



The special Badge which was issued to every Boy who attended Founder's Camp. It is worn on the left arm along with the Queen's Badge and the Long Service Badge.

hockey, etc.), outings, parades, concerts and all the other 101 things which go to make up a Camp.

Every morning after breakfast, there was "Morning Watch" in the big marquee (245ft. x 85ft.—big enough to seat 3,000 people—£60 a day to hire, total cost £600) and this was conducted by the three Camp Chaplains in turn. Then came Inspection before each Company went away to its programme for the day.

While some Companies got down to games and sports, others were at London Airport, Windsor Castle, Eton College or the baths in Slough. On the Monday, the whole Camp went to Marlow by coach and boat; on the Wednesday the whole Camp went to London to parade over Westminster Bridge to Westminster Hall where a historic memorial service was held.

On the Sunday, the Campers went to Church. In the two im-

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Seven A.A.A. coaches, experts in all branches of the sport, were available, and five Football Association coaches—four of them professional footballers—dealt with soccer queries.

Hockey, a popular game in camp, had five coaches, and on one day England's captain did some instructing. Squash, judo, rugby, cricket, tennis, fives, boating, swimming, were games that campers flocked to, to learn from experienced men and women.

Eton College supplied 15 football pitches, 2 hockey grounds, 2 rugby pitches, an athletics track, 12 hard tennis courts, 6 squash courts and 50 fives courts. Each day these were occupied by hundreds of Boys playing their own home sports and learning new ones.

Said Mr. West, "There was a much greater response to the lesser known games like hockey and fives. Many Boys were keen to learn judo and squash—where it was not expected there would be a great demand."

In the international games Scotland and England just about shared the honours in cricket, while the men from North of the Border completely wiped the field at soccer. New Zealand beat Wales at rugby 20-0.

(With acknowledgments to *Stedfast Magazine*.)



[Photos: Norman Coltham

"Is this right, sir?" And pupil proceeds to throw teacher during this Judo lesson.

The person being thrown is one of the many coaches who visited Founder's Camp to give the Boys tuition in different sports and pastimes.

The photographs were taken on Saturday—Visitors Day—and in the background, apart from Campers, you can see other visitors including Members of a local Life Boy Team.

### A MESSAGE TO OUR PATRON

From the Camp, the following message was sent to Her Majesty the Queen, at Balmoral:

Two thousand Boys' Brigade Boys from nineteen countries and all parts of the Commonwealth, in their Founder's Centenary International Camp at Eton College, in sight of Windsor Castle, send to their Sovereign and Patron, their humble duty and their expression of loyalty both sure and stedfast—*Donald Finnmore, Commandant*.

And the reply from Balmoral was:

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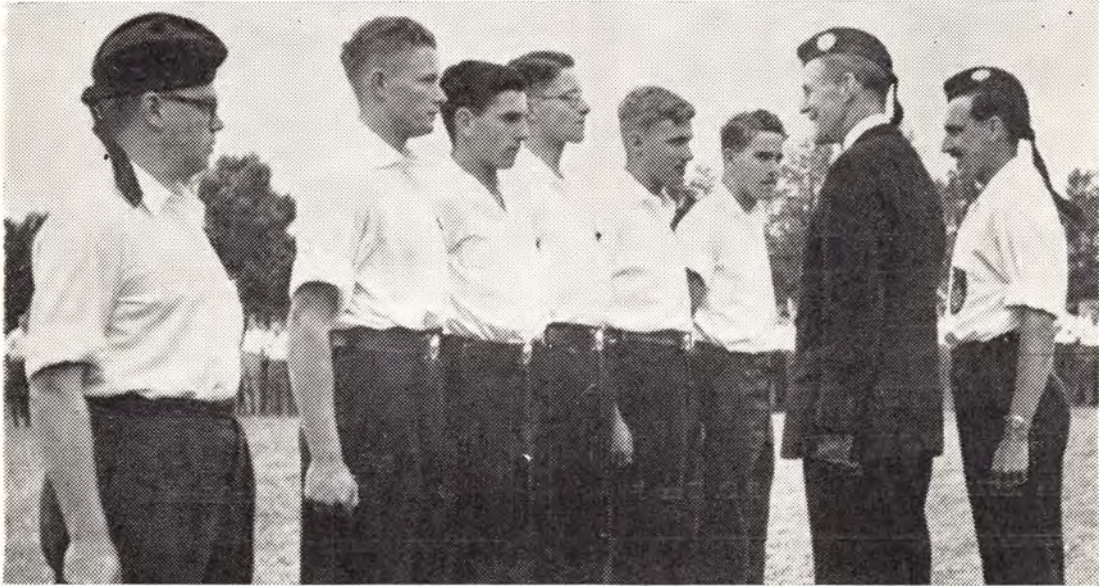
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## WITH THE BRIGADE PRESIDENT

When Brigade President Lord Maclay visited Founder's Camp on the Tuesday, he met all the overseas contingents there. In this photograph Mr. W. T. Murray (Lieutenant, 1st Bulawayo Company) introduces him to the Rhodesians. Left to right: Mr. N. L. Coltham (Lieutenant, 1st Salisbury), Sergeant Ray Champken (1st Gwelo), Corporal Alec Murray and Lance-corporal Bob Sanderson (1st Bulawayo), Corporal Harry Mellett (1st Gwelo) and Staff-Sergeant Lewis Rae (1st Bulawayo).

[Photo: J. H. Hammonds



### FOUNDER'S CAMP

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pressive Eton College Chapels, four services were held to accommodate everyone, and at early-morning Communion over 850 Officers and Boys were voluntarily present to commence the day by taking part in the Holy Sacrament.

The climax to the Camp was on the last evening. From the Camp the Boys, flanked by rows of flaming torches, marched through Eton and Windsor Castle to a great camp-fire in Windsor.

Here community singing with the local citizens took place and the evening wound up with a short service and "Auld Lang Syne".

Then came Saturday morning and the Camp was over. We held our last Morning Watch, we had a march past Sir Donald, the "Last Post" and then "Camp Dismiss". The Commandant's last order and the greatest B.B. Camp of all time was finished.

I'm glad I went. So are six other Rhodesians. It was an experience none of us will ever forget.

### *Cruising Down The River*

On the river trip back to Windsor from Marlow, the Boys sang. But it was not the popular tunes of the day we heard. The Boys took from their pockets their copies of the B.B. Hymnal and the harmonious singing of many well-known B.B. hymns blended perfectly with such lovely and peaceful surroundings.

### FOOD

What a problem for the Camp caterers! The 2,000-odd Campers consumed 1½ tons of potatoes and 560lbs. of meat per day, they ate 2,400 buns, 600 quartern loaves, 5cwt. jams, and they drank 600 gallons of tea, 300 gallons of cocoa and 360 gallons of milk.

To supply the Camp with sausages meant 560lbs.; with fish 450 lbs.; with cheese 10cwt. or with bacon 350lbs. FOR ONE MEAL.

Any mother want a job?

### *2000 Youths: No Cigarettes*

I sat down on a riverside seat at Marlow to eat my lunch. Next to me was a retired old gentleman enjoying the lovely sunshine by Old Father Thames. He turned to me and he said, "Isn't it wonderful. All these young men here and not one of them smoking."

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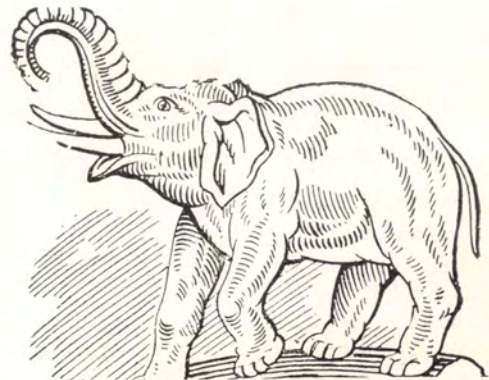
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Mix it all together, stir it up, put it in the oven. And what do we have? A cake weighing 3 cwt. And that's just what our Founder's Centenary cake weighed.

Donated by a well-wisher, the top was a perfect model of Founder's Camp while the names of countries represented at the Camp decorated the sides.

Brigade President Lord Maclay, cut the cake when he visited the Camp on the Tuesday—he used a 30-inch Scottish sword for the job. But it really got cut up on the Friday—into over 2,000 pieces!

The photograph shows two Rhodesians admiring the cake, Lance-Corporal Bob Sanderson (centre) and Staff-Sergeant Lewis Rae, both of the 1st Bulawayo Company.



[Photo: Norman Coltham

**AT RHODESIA HOUSE**

"The Boys had a very happy little Tea party and I felt proud of them as they chatted away without any shyness to Sir Gilbert and Lady Rennie and the other guests present." So wrote Mr. W. H. McVicker, B.B. Overseas Secretary, of the occasion pictured below when the Rhodesian contingent to the International Camp visited Rhodesia House.

In the photograph (left to right) are: Corporal Harry Mellett (1st Gwelo), Lance-Corporal Bob Sanderson and Corporal Alec Murray (1st Bulawayo), Lady Rennie, Sir Gilbert Rennie (High Commissioner for Rhodesia and Nyasaland), Mr. W. H. McVicker, Staff-Sergeant Lewis Rae (1st Bulawayo) and Sergeant Ray Champken (1st Gwelo).



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THE Annual Display in London's Royal Albert Hall (which runs for three performances every May) is organised by the London District of The Boys' Brigade.

Nevertheless, it always assumes a national character and last year's Founder's Centenary Display was no exception. In fact, Albert Hall, 1954, could well be termed international with Boys from five countries (England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland and Denmark) fighting out competitive team games.

The scores in these games were carried forward over the three performances and, on the Saturday evening, the final result rested on the thrilling last game between England and Northern Ireland. England, with eight points to Northern Ireland's seven, won.

The Danish Boys were from the Frivilligt Dreng-Forbund, The Boys' Brigade of Denmark. This was the second time that they had taken part in the Albert Hall Display and they gave a superb performance in honour of the man from whom their Founder, Holger Tornøe, has acknowledged much inspiration and help.

Pipes, drums and dancers from the Founder's own Battalion, Glasgow, provided the Scottish air and were honoured guests in this year of thanksgiving for Sir William Smith.

In his last year as Brigade Secretary, the Founder's elder son, Mr. G. Stanley Smith, was the Chairman at the Saturday evening performance. His brother, Douglas, acted as his A.D.C. while two specially invited Staff-Sergeants from the 1st Glasgow accompanied him as he went round the ranks.

The Chairman on Friday evening was His Grace The Duke of Hamilton (Hon. Treasurer of The Boys' Brigade since 1938) and on the Saturday afternoon Admiral of the Fleet Sir Philip Vian (of *Altmark* fame).

Apart from the items by the F.D.F. Boys and the Boys from Glasgow, Companies of the London District provided the bulk of the programme. Novelty items, P.T. and Gymnastics in varied forms, etc., all went into the show while the finals of the London Drill Competition and Bugle Band Competition added to three wonderful performances.

## LONDON SALUTES THE FOUNDER

### ROYAL ALBERT HALL DISPLAY



[Photos: I. L. Bawtree

**CHAIR TRICKS**, in the finale of which twelve Boys stood picturesquely, if precariously, on one chair was an item of the Albert Hall Display which has special significance for some folk in Salisbury. For it was performed by the 1st Mid-Surrey (Belmont) Company. Mr. A. Roy Craske, who came here some twelve months ago to be Accountant to the Methodist Church in Southern Rhodesia, was formerly an Officer in the 1st Mid-Surrey, and Robert Coltham, cousin of Mr. N. L. Coltham (an officer in the 1st Salisbury), is a Staff-Sergeant in that Company.

Staff-Sergeant Coltham is the Boy perched precariously on the chair on the right of the upper picture while, in the lower picture, he is seen coming head-first through a paper hoop held high above more "chair tricks".

By a coincidence the 1st Mid-Surrey appeared on the cover of the souvenir brochure issued at the 1st Salisbury's Annual Display last December. The photograph of Boys watching an earlier Albert Hall Display included the Captain (Mr. I. L. Bawtree) and a group of his Boys. This fact was not discovered until a copy of the brochure reached Mr. Bawtree via Staff-Sergeant Coltham.

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The sun shone, too, on the B.B. that day. In the middle of one of the worst summers England has ever known, the weather man waved his magic wand for the B.B. and, beneath blue sky and warm sunshine, a programme of interest, colour and variety with a very high standard of efficiency was presented to a crowd of some 35,000.

The opening parade of 1,000 senior Boys of the London District made an impressive setting for the Presentation and Consecration of new London Colours which were the gift of Mr. W. N. Cave Allan, Captain of the 1st London Company and the only one of the Founder's Lieutenants in the 1st Glasgow still serving as an active Company Officer.

Then followed a Display of Stick Work by the South Midland District and a Tent Pitching Competition by 22 teams of the London District.

From Wales came 370 Boys all dressed in costume; Druids robes, old Welsh national dress, miners begrimed with coal dust, engineers, shipyard workers, sailors and a hefty red-shirted rugby fifteen. In a setting of a Bardic circle they sang as only Welshmen can sing—truly a picturesque and most enjoyable performance.

A P.T. team of 504 Boys swung into position and such was their precision in the various exercises, it seemed that they had been doing it together for years. An outstanding performance by twenty

Battalions and Groups from the London District.

Then Scotland came into the picture with the Hawick Pipe Band and Dancers. Their marching and playing was superb while the agility and skill of the dancers provoked much enthusiasm from the crowd.

A "Gymnastic Kaleidoscope" by sixteen Companies of the Enfield Battalion included football, rugger, netball, tumbling, boxing and apparatus work. All taking place at the same time, people just couldn't see everything that was going on. Not because they weren't in the right place; because

*To Wembley they came, 14 "B.B. Specials" from all over the country, never-ending lines of buses and coaches, slowly at first, then developing into a mighty concourse from all directions; B.B. Boys, Life Boys, mothers, fathers, sisters, friends to the greatest show the B.B. has ever known.*

dent and Stanley and Douglas Smith, the two sons of the Founder. To the tune of "The Old Brigade", these men came on to a great roar of welcome; old men, middle-aged men, young men,



[Photo: Stedfast Magazine]

## London District Marches Past Lord Maclay

one person just doesn't have enough eyes to look at all of Wembley all at once!

Then there were vaulting teams, an international Relay Race (won by England), the Massed Bands and Bugle Bands of London (590 Boys on the field at once) and the Parade of Old Boys.

The Parade of Old Boys? That deserves a paragraph of its own. From the audience they went outside the Stadium to line up for a march-past the Brigade Presi-

dent and sailors, artisans, business men, clergymen and ministers, men of substance and men of a humble way of life. They all came, some 2,000 of them, proud to march in the greatest B.B. parade of its kind London has ever seen.

Thus "Festival of Boyhood" came to an end. With the singing of the Vesper Hymn, the Benediction and the National Anthem, the curtain came down on a great display.

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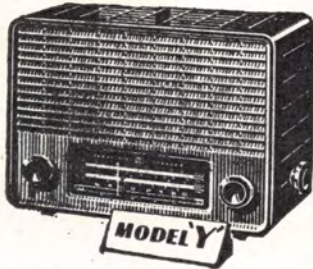
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## TWO ORIGINAL MEMBERS ARE STILL WITH US

### William Wylie was the first Sergeant

IN the first three weeks of October, 1883, our Founder enrolled 59 Boys as the first recruits for The Boys' Brigade. But the strict discipline immediately enforced was too much for some of the Boys and when the formal enrolment service was held in November, only 35 Boys received their Membership Cards.

These gallant lads had responded to the call as the Founder believed they would. His faith in his wonderful new idea had been justified. It is indeed due to these faithful 35 that the B.B. was established.

Sir William kept a careful record of those who stood fast. Eleven of them lived to see the Jubilee celebrations in Glasgow in 1933. To-day, only two of these Original Members of The Boys' Brigade are still with us. Both of them joined on the first night, the historic fourth of October.

Their names are James Thomson and William H. Wylie.

Mr. Thomson has rarely missed the Annual Reunion of the Old Boys of the 1st Glasgow. He was present last year at the Company's 71st Annual Inspection and Display (when the Brigade President, Lord Maclay, was the Inspecting Officer) and he had the place of honour in the Parade of over 150 Old Boys which was a feature of the Display.



JAMES THOMSON

He was present at the great Conventicle in Hampden Park, Glasgow, on September 12th when he sat between the Founder's two sons, Douglas and Stanley Smith.

Seven of his sons have served in the Brigade. He is an Honorary Officer of the 1st Viewpark Company in the Motherwell Battalion and has a grandson in the Life Boy Team.

Mr. Wylie has the distinction

of being the first B.B. Boy to be promoted to Sergeant. And he has hardly been out of the B.B. since then. For a few years he lived in Manchester, where he was Bandmaster to more than one Company.

On his return to Glasgow in 1922 he became Bandmaster to the 143rd Glasgow, which post he still holds. The musical tradition is strong in the family, for Mr. Wylie's son John is Bandmaster and Officer in the 59th Glasgow.



WILLIAM H. WYLIE

Probably no one has ever been actively connected with the B.B. for so long as Mr. Wylie.

### ORIGINAL COMPANY'S GREETINGS

Writes Mr. H. S. McCallum, present-day Captain of the 1st Glasgow Company: "Please convey to all in the B.B. in Southern Rhodesia the good wishes of the Officers and Boys of the Original Company and their hope that all our efforts in every part of the world may always be such as to advance the Object of The Boys' Brigade.

"We send a special greeting of good fellowship to another "First"—the 1st Salisbury. Long may it flourish!"

The Membership Card issued in 1883 to William H. Wylie, the first B.B. Boy to be promoted to the rank of Sergeant.

The Boys' Brigade.	
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Address, <i>230 North Waverley Road</i>	
Non-Commissioned Rank, if any, <i>Sergeant</i>	
Company No. ....	Date of Enrolment, <i>1883</i>
Officer's Signature, <i>Wm. McCallum Capt</i>	

# RHODESIA SALUTES



A DISPLAY BY MEMBERS OF THE BOYS' BRIGADE IN SOU  
OF THE CENTENARY OF THE BIRTH OF SIR W

CATHEDRAL HALL, UNIC

SATURDAY, FEBRU

## PROGR

"Let us now praise famous men."

- 7.50 p.m.—Parade of Youth ... The Boys' Brigade and The Boy Scouts.
- 8.00 p.m.—General Salute ... Arrival of The Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia, the Hon. R. S. Garfield Todd, M.P., who will inspect the Parade.

Chair taken by THE PRIME MINISTER

- Devotions ... .. Led by the Rev. J. Kennedy Grant, M.A., D.D.

THE FOUNDER'S HYMN

Tune—Aurella

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|--|---|
| <p>1. Praise God that he who founded<br/>Our brotherhood on truth,<br/>With faith far-seeing sounded<br/>A call to rally youth:<br/>That Boys of ev'ry nation<br/>Be roused to play the part<br/>Which calls for consecration<br/>Of body, mind and heart.</p>               | <p>2. In years now far receding<br/>He sought but one reward:<br/>His heart's desire of leading<br/>All Boyhood to the Lord;<br/>And in his bold endeavour,<br/>His faith avow'd and sure,<br/>His confidence built ever<br/>On Rock which shall endure.</p>                                  |
| <p>3. He led his Boys by living<br/>The life he'd have them live;<br/>He sought to serve by giving<br/>The whole he had to give.<br/>He blazed the trail for others,<br/>And pointed men the way<br/>Which Christ, who made us brothers,<br/>Would have us tread to-day.</p> | <p>4. Through years of weary waiting,<br/>As man with man contends,<br/>Though wrong is slow abating,<br/>Christ's Kingdom still extends;<br/>And still our Founder's leading,<br/>And still his call is clear;<br/>The cause of Christ he's pleading,<br/>And Christ would have us hear.</p> |
|  | <p>5. Our God be prais'd for giving<br/>A Vision to this man,<br/>Of Boyhood nobly living<br/>To serve the Master Plan.<br/>May we, who follow lowly,<br/>Be led, all things above,<br/>To give our service wholly—<br/>The service of our love.</p>  |

- "ON PARADE" ... .. 1st Salisbury Company, The Boys' Brigade.
- Tribute to Sir William Smith ... .. by The Hon. R. S. Garfield Todd, M.P., on behalf of The State.
- "BRIDGING THE GAP" ... .. 2nd Salisbury Troop, The Boy Scouts.
- "A BREATH OF SCOTLAND" ... .. 1st Salisbury Company, The Boys' Brigade.
- "HEAD OVER HEELS" ... .. 1st Salisbury and 2nd Bulawayo Companies, The Boys' Brigade.
- Tribute to Sir William Smith ... .. by Major P. J. Kenworthy, M.B.E. (Chief Commissioner of the Southern Rhodesian Branch of The Boy Scouts Association), on behalf of Kindred Organisations.
- Interval ... .. during which refreshments will be served by Members of The Life Boys.

Orderley Bugler: Sergeant Richard Hosking,  
1st Salisbury Company.

Pianist: Corporal Raymond Apsey,  
1st Salisbury Company.

Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy Youth; in all thy ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct thy paths.

# YOU, WILLIAM SMITH



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## PROGRAMME

- "AGILITY" ... .. 1st Salisbury Company, The Boys' Brigade.
  - "TEAM WORK" ... .. 1st Salisbury, 1st and 2nd Bulawayo Companies, The Boys' Brigade; 2nd, 6th and 7th Salisbury Troops, The Boy Scouts.
  - Tribute to Sir William Smith ... by the Rev. J. Kennedy Grant, M.A., D.D., on behalf of The Church.
  - "DOCTOR IN THE HOUSE?" 1st Bulawayo Company, The Boys' Brigade; 7th Salisbury Troop, The Boy Scouts.
  - "SILENCE IS GOLDEN" ... 6th Salisbury Troop, The Boy Scouts.
- Parade of Youth.

### ADDRESS BY THE CHAIRMAN

Devotions ... .. Led by the Rev. R. B. Donaldson.

#### VESPER HYMN

Tune—Whitburn  
Great God, Who knowest  
each Boy's need,  
Bless Thou our watch, and  
guard our sleep;  
Forgive our sins of thought  
and deed,  
And in Thy peace Thy  
servants keep.

We thank Thee for the day  
that's done,  
We trust Thee for the days  
to be;  
Thy love we learn in Christ  
Thy Son,  
O may we all His glory see!

The National Anthem.

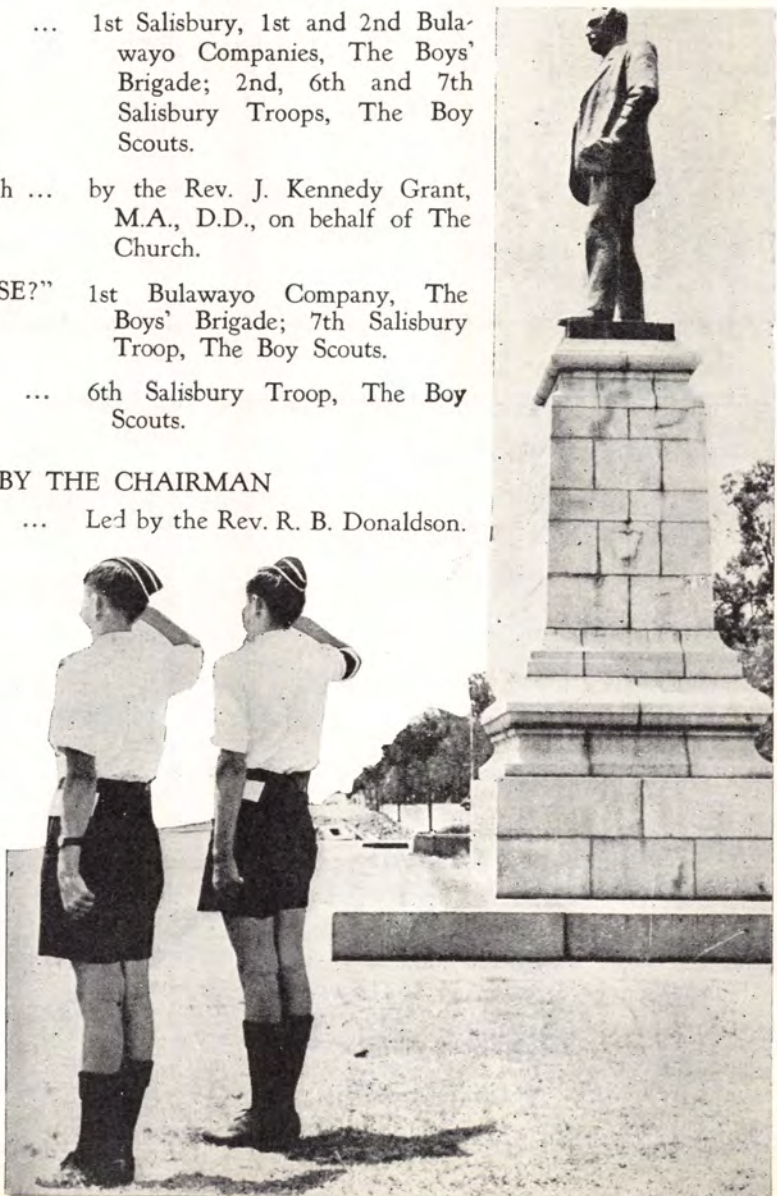
General Salute ...

Departure of The Hon.  
R. S. Garfield Todd,  
M.P.

Parade Dismiss.

Band provided by 1st Salisbury Company.

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# GLASGOW (WHERE THE B.B. WAS BORN) HONOURS THE FOUNDER A Weekend of Celebration



By **NORMAN COLTHAM, Lieutenant, 1st Salisbury**

"GLASGOW, 1954", will stand out for years in the memory of those B.B. Officers who were privileged to be there.

For "Glasgow 1954" was more than the annual Council Meetings. In fact, the business side of the week-end was somewhat dimmed by the events which were held at the same time to honour the memory of our Founder.

I motored to Glasgow on the Friday and was plunged straight away into a city which seemed to have gone B.B. mad. Everywhere one looked there were B.B. Boys

or Officers; the newspapers were full of B.B. articles and photographs; a B.B. show was on at the Theatre Royal; 60,000 people turned up at Hampden Park for the Sunday afternoon Conventicle; the B.B. was on the air, both sight and sound.

It started on Friday evening. The Lord Provost, T. A. Kerr, and the Corporation of Glasgow, held a Reception in the Art Galleries for the visiting Officers and some 2,000 people were present.

A former Member of the B.B. himself, the Lord Provost told the gathering, "I receive you with all the fervour and enthusiasm I can."

Then came the Torch. Carried day and night by B.B. Boy runners, the Torch had left the Founder's birthplace, Thurso, three days previously and it arrived at the Art Galleries at 9.15 p.m.—right on time.

Here it was handed to Lord Maclay, Brigade President, who passed it over to the final runners. These Boys took it up the hill to the University and, as it reached there, the whole facade of the ancient Buildings was suddenly floodlit and, in front, high above the ground, a huge B.B. Crest was illuminated.

In the Bute Hall of the University on the Saturday morning, the Council Meetings were held. Here two important events were witnessed.

The Founder's elder son, Mr. G. Stanley Smith, was due to retire from the position of Brigade Sec-

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The Torch arrives at the Art Galleries.

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## GLASGOW HONOURS THE FOUNDER

(Continued from page 23)

retary, a post he had held since 1925. And Lord Maclay handed to Mr. Smith a cheque for £750, the result of an invitation the President had made to Officers to subscribe to a testimonial fund.



Photo: Lafayette.

**G. STANLEY SMITH,  
O.B.E.**

**Former Brigade Secretary.**

Then another presentation. Mr. W. Kyle, County Commissioner of The Boy Scouts, was present and, after paying tribute to the Scouts' relations with the B.B. he asked the President to accept as a gift from the Glasgow Boy Scouts Association a statuette of a Boy—the original of which had been made by Lord Baden-Powell himself.

From the Council Meetings to a "Tribute to the Founder". Held in St. Andrew's Hall on Saturday afternoon, this was a simple yet sincere meeting.

In a series of flashes on a darkened stage we got a glimpse of Glasgow Boyhood before the B.B. began. Then, in the gloom, a B.B. Anchor shone down upon us before, alongside it, we saw a picture of Sir William Smith. Then three figures looked up at the picture—a B.B. Boy, an older Boy and an elderly man. "Thank you, Sir William Smith", they said.

As the lights gradually went up, B.B. Boys and Old Boys filed on

to the stage and the words of the new Founder's Hymn came down to the audience before they, too, stood to join in the last verse.

Stirring Tributes to Sir William Smith from the Earl of Home, Minister of State, Scottish Office, Lord Rowallan, Chief Scout, and the Right Reverend E. D. Jarvis before we went back to our hostels for tea.

In the evening, the venue was the Theatre Royal. Here "B.B. Fanfare 1954" had been running all week—a show which consisted of turns by Boys of the Glasgow Battalion. There was only one Officer on the stage and he was the bandmaster of the Brass Band who played "In the Park".

The show was full of variety; singing, comedy, acrobatics, conjuring, tableaux and an impressive rendering of "Mine Eyes have seen the Glory" for the epilogue.

It was a show which would put many professional variety companies to shame. Congratulations, Glasgow.

On the Sunday, the outstanding event was the Conventicle in Hampden Park. Watched by 60,000 people at Hampden Park, this impressive service was also seen by millions on their television sets.

It started with the skirl of pipes as on to the field marched the Colour Party of the 1st Glasgow Company escorted by 160 members of the Glasgow Battalion.

After the National Anthem, the Colours were received by the Right Reverend Dr. E. D. Jarvis who placed them across the drums in the centre of the field.

Then the service. What a thrill it was as sixty thousand people raised their voices in praise. In praise to God for His wonderful works. In praise and thanksgiving for Sir William Smith.

The Closing Service of "Glasgow 1954" was held on Sunday



**LORD MACLAY, K.B.E.,  
Brigade President**

evening in the University's Bute Hall. Conducted by the Very Rev. Dr. Pitt-Watson, this was heard throughout the world on the B.B.C.'s General Overseas Service. I know, for many times since I have been told, "Yes, I heard the B.B. Service on the wireless."

An excursion down the Clyde on the Monday closed the weekend for the majority of Officers present. I couldn't be there—an aeroplane was waiting to bring me back to Rhodesia.

*The photographs of Sir William Smith on pages 5 and 20 are from a drawing by Baillie Tom Curr, M.B.E., Captain of the 46th Edinburgh Company and senior magistrate of the city.*

*The Boys alongside the statue of Cecil Rhodes in the photograph on page 21 are Private John Crawford and Corporal Raymond Apsey (both of the 1st Salisbury Company). Private Crawford also appears on the cover and both photographs are by Norman Coltham.*

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OCTOBER 27th, the hundredth anniversary of Sir William Smith's birth, and B.B. uniforms again filled the mighty St. Paul's Cathedral, in the City of London, as they did forty years ago.

But, forty years ago, it was a sad occasion. Our Founder was dead. This time it was an occasion for rejoicing.

As the great organ thundered out the tunes we know and love so well, so from all parts of this stately building, came the voices of men and Boys.

"O Worship the King," they sang, and then the lovely strains of Crimond, "The Lord's my shepherd . . ." the marching swing of "Onward, Christian Soldiers", and one could feel indeed that through countless ages men had blended their voices in the triumph of song: and, to close, our own Founder's hymn, which we have sung so often during this year, yet perhaps never with such effect.

The Dean of Westminster (the Very Rev. Alan C. Don) spoke from the text in 1 Corinthians, xv, 57, 58: "Thanks be to God, Who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not vain in the Lord."

This text, said the Dean, expressed the secret not only of William Smith's personal character, but of the enduring nature of the Movement which he founded and inspired. It was his simple manly faith in the Lordship of Jesus Christ which inspired him: it was his love of God, anchored in the Person of Christ, which lay at the root of his love for Boys, and of his longing to bring them under the influence of a Leader whom they could follow joyfully through life.

"There are many who suppose that Christian virtues and Christian standards can be maintained even though the Christian faith is abandoned or ignored. William Smith knew better, and thinking

people are beginning to realise how right he was."

The Boys' Brigade is a Christian movement which will fail of its essential purpose if it is not staffed and led by men who like William Smith are steadfast in service because they are sure in faith.

A simultaneous thanksgiving service was held in St. Giles' Cathedral, Edinburgh, where the sermon was preached by the Very Rev. Dr. Warr, Dean of the Thistle and Chapel Royal. The colours were appropriately carried

### *Founder's Day in Salisbury*

The new Founder's Hymn "Praise God that he who founded our brotherhood on truth" was used for the first time in Church in Salisbury on Founder's Day—October 31st.

Led to the Presbyterian Church by its new Pipe Band, the 1st Salisbury Company took part in a most enjoyable service in which the Rev. R. B. Donaldson spoke on Sir William Smith, and Mr. M. A. S. Niven (Captain) and Corporal Richard Hosking read the lessons.

After the service Mr. Donaldson inspected the Company.

by Boys from the Founder's Own Company, the 1st Glasgow.

Notable services, too, were held in Belfast and Manchester as well as in other cities throughout the B.B. world.

## OLD BOYS HONOUR THE FOUNDER

IT was in the Royal Albert Hall that Sir William Smith saw The Boys' Brigade for the last time. On May 7th, 1914, he attended the London District's Annual Display there and, three days later, he died.

Some of the Boys who saw their leader on that occasion returned to the Albert Hall on October 22nd. They went there to the first B.B. Old Boys' Re-union along with thousands of other Old Boys. They went there to pay tribute to the Founder of their Organisation.

The first speaker was ex-Cabinet Minister, the Right Hon. George Isaacs, P.C., M.P. He mounted the platform with a B.B. Bible in his hand and proudly proclaimed that he had won it as a recruit in the 5th London Company fifty years ago.

Other speakers were the Right

Hon. The Earl of Selkirk, O.B.E., A.F.C. (a former Captain of the 44th Edinburgh Company), and Mr. G. Stanley Smith, O.B.E. (the Founder's elder son) making his last appearance as Brigade Secretary.

But the evening was not all speeches. There was the massed Band from six London Companies: singer Owen Brannigan, with popular numbers from Scotland, Wales, Ireland and England; Derek Barsham (B.B. Boy-soprano of some years ago and now a fine baritone) singing the Anchor Song and the Jubilee Song, community singing; tea and chats with old friends.

The evening closed with an epilogue conducted by the wartime Radio Padre, the Rev. Ronald Selby Wright. This was the first Old Boys' Re-union. All present hoped that there would be many more.

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At the ending of the evening, Lord Llewelin's hostess, Mrs. Clare Douie, presented the awards and, on the right, she is presenting the Captain's Cup to Private (now Sergeant) Ian Colquhoun.



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### 1st Salisbury

# COLONEL METHUEN AT ENROLMENT SERVICE

COLONEL J. A. METHUEN, of Umtali, hails from Stirling in Scotland. In his youth he was in our Organisation (before Rhodesia was even thought of!) and, when he found that the B.B. had come to Southern Rhodesia, his enthusiasm was high.

So he visits the 1st Salisbury Company as often as he can and, in fact, is doing his best to get the B.B. established in Umtali. Twice last year, Salisbury Boys have seen this grand old soldier and the most important occasion was in April on the occasion of

the Company's annual Enrolment Service.

As Honorary Colonel of the Rhodesian African Rifles, he came to Salisbury the same week-end to witness an R.A.R. event. So, on Sunday morning, it was with great pleasure that he attended the Service in the Presbyterian Church.

Afterwards, he inspected the Company and the photograph shows him shaking hands with Private (now Sergeant) Ian Colquhoun.

The other occasion was in Umtali. On July 24th, the Company's football team travelled there to play a friendly game with the Umtali Junior School. There on the touchline to cheer the Boys on was the Colonel. Yes, he's a grand supporter. He's proud of the Boys and the Boys are proud of him.

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## Salisbury's Pipe Band

# ... IS GIVEN TWO SETS OF BAGPIPES .. AND HAS ITS FIRST PARADE

IT was in February, 1897, that Edward D. Stafford introduced the B.B. to Brighton, Sussex, when he founded the 1st Brighton Company. Three weeks after the Jubilee Celebrations of the Company in 1947 he died.

This year a link has been forged between the 1st Brighton Company and the 1st Salisbury. For Mr. Stafford's daughter, Mrs. L. J. Anderson, is now living at Ruwa and, on hearing that the local Company was forming a Pipe Band, she decided to help by presenting the new Band with a set of Bagpipes.

These Bagpipes will be presented to the Company by Mrs. Anderson at the conclusion of the item "A Breath of Scotland" in to-night's programme. Every time they are played, somebody will be reminded of a great B.B. man, for a silver plaque on the instrument records that they are presented in memory of Edward Stafford.

For Edward Stafford did not just confine himself to his own Company. He was, during his

years, President and Treasurer of the Brighton Battalion, then of the Sussex Division. He also served on the London Committee and, before and during the first World War, he was a member of Brigade Executive.

He was a generous man. When he retired from his business, he devoted himself more and more to good works and the village of Hassocks will long remember him for the gift of a sports ground. At Keymer a youth hostel stands to his memory.

"The Lord is the strength of my life" (Psalm 27) was his text. "Here," said "Breezes", the magazine of the Brighton Battalion, "was the source of his energy, his alertness, his clear thinking, his straight line courage, his close walking with God".

An identical set of Bagpipes will also be presented to the Company by Mr. Anderson. A Member of the 18th Glasgow Company in his youth, Mr. Anderson was one of the Boys who lined the route of Sir William Smith's funeral in 1914.

1954 was a proud year for the 1st Salisbury Company—their Pipe Band took the road for the first time.

The occasion was the Salisbury Caledonian Society's Highland Gathering at the Police Sports Ground on Saturday, June 12th. Here the band paraded to the ground and the Boys took part in the various piping and drumming competitions.

During the afternoon the band played on occasions to the large crowd and then joined with their big brothers, the Caledonian Pipe Band, in a massed parade with counter-marching.

On the next day, June 13th, the band led the Parade to the Youth Rally in the Salisbury Gardens which was being held to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the British and Foreign Bible Society.

The photograph shows the head of the procession in King's Crescent just after it had moved off from the St. John Ambulance Headquarters.

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1st Salisbury**EASTER CAMP AT GLENFOREST**

**A** GREAT pity but, with the Captain, Mr. M. A. S. Niven, away on three months long leave, Lieutenant Mr. N. L. Coltham attending the Founder's Camp in England and the Federal Government making calls on the Officers left for the Territorial Training Camp at Inkomo, there just was not the staff available in Salisbury last year to organise more than one Camp.

But the one Camp was a great success. Dare it be suggested that it was because, at last, we took away with us a REAL COOK?



[Photo: Norman Coltham  
"The Long, Long Drink" by Private Tasman Macauley. Camp life does make one thirsty, doesn't it?

Anyway, there it is, we were most grateful to Mr. Fred Brockwell for his able and willing assistance in taking over the responsibility of feeding the hungry five thousand. (Maybe the figure's exaggerated but, to those who bought the food, it seemed like that.)

The Camp, which took place at Easter, was held at the usual venue—Mr. Roy Webb's farm, Glenforest, on the Borrowdale Road and, once more, thanks are due to Mr. Webb for all his eagerness and willingness to help. The water supplies and the loan of his lorry stand out as two of his generous gestures.

A great week-end it was, too, for him. For Resthaven, the Christian Retreat, is also on his farm and the new chapel there was used for the first time on the Saturday afternoon for his marriage to Miss Dorothy Bodington.

For its first Service the Chapel was crowded and it was good to see the B.B. foremost — they couldn't stay away from their host's wedding. Afterwards, the Boys formed a Guard of Honour outside the Chapel together with a contingent from the Red Cross Society (of which the bride was a member).

On the Sunday, the Company attended the Chapel again for the first Church Service to be held there. The preacher was the Rev. Frank Mussell.

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## Salisbury Life Boy Team Is Three Years Old



**T**HE LIFE BOYS—The Junior Reserve of The Boys' Brigade—is functioning at the moment in Southern Rhodesia only in Salisbury.

Here, the 1st Salisbury Team is now three years old and is progressing steadily under the guidance of Mr. N. Houston, its Leader-in-Charge and Mr. F. Labuscagne, Leader.

The Team, with a current membership of twenty-eight, struck out in another direction this year when, following the example of their older brothers in the B.B., they entered a team in the Salisbury Junior Football League.

Unfortunately the only division they could enter was the under thirteen section. The Life Boys age limit is twelve so their opponents proved rather too big for them and they finished the season without a single win and at the bottom of the table.

Nevertheless they showed great team spirit and stuck together to the end. With such spirit, they won't go far wrong in any of their activities—perhaps we'll be able to read of more success next year.

At the Team's end-of-session Parents' Evening last December (1953) the Chief Guest was Councillor C. E. Harris. Mrs. Harris presented the Team's awards for the year and the photograph shows Leading Life Boy Maurice Labuscagne receiving the award for 100 per cent. attendance.

Since this article was written, news has been received of the formation of a Life Boy Team at Bulawayo North Methodist Church, the home of the 2nd Bulawayo Company of The Boys' Brigade.

*Founder and first Leader-in-Charge of the 1st Salisbury Team of The Life Boys, Mr. Paddy Crossley, is now living in Umtali.*

*We hear that he is planning a Life Boy Team down there and look forward to more news of the advancement of B.B. and L.B. work in Southern Rhodesia.*

*Incidentally, the Members of the 1st Salisbury's football team met Mr. Crossley when they visited Umtali in July.*

*Paddy was at the game and he was very pleased to see three former Life Boys in Peter Stringfield, Tasman Macauley and Jacobus Jooste in the team.*

## Why I Teach Boys "To Play The Game"

By **NORMAN HOUSTON**,  
Leader-in-Charge,  
1st Salisbury Team

**O**FTEN I am asked by friends why I spend so much of my time teaching Boys "To Play the Game".

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This is a great pity; these organisations, with the enthusiasm and keenness of their Officers and Leaders, can do a lot for the Boys of to-day. They can do a lot more with the whole-hearted support of the parents. And the possibilities would know no bounds with the help of a few more people prepared to devote their spare time to the work by becoming leaders.



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Salisbury Football

## RUNNERS-UP IN UNDER 14½ LEAGUE

IN 1953 the 1st Salisbury Company's under 14½ football team was next to bottom of the table at the end of the season. In 1954, the team was next to top.

The team consisted of practically the same Boys who had battled so bravely the previous season—surely proof that successful teamwork comes from working and playing together consistently?

But the Boys must also thank Mr. "Jock" Begley (an ex-B.B. Boy, incidentally), a player and referee of some years standing, for their successes. Mr. Begley has many calls on his time, not the least of which is his own business and helping to look after the affairs of the Mashonaland Football Association, but yet he managed to be at practice with the Boys throughout the season.

"Jock", too, did his best to arrange "specialities" for the team. When the touring Israel Football team was in Salisbury in May, he brought some of the players along to give the Boys a few tips.

When the opportunity of playing a game in Umtali presented itself he was there with his lorry

to transport the Boys to that town.

And the Boys appreciated all this. For, without any prompting from their Officers, they clubbed together in September to buy him a little gift. Without any prompting from the Officers? They wouldn't even accept any contributions from the Officers—it was to be a gift from the Boys!

In Umtali, they were feted. The Manicaland Football Association laid on lunch and snacks, the Umtali Junior School turned out to play them and a goodly number of spectators came along to see the game.

Among the spectators were Colonel J. A. Methuen, who takes such an interest in the Company despite his distance from Salisbury and "Paddy" Crossley, founder and first Leader-in-Charge of our Life Boy team.

With twelve points from ten games the team was second to

### REPRESENTATIVE PLAYERS

Three B.B. Boys achieved the honour of being selected to play for Mashonaland against Matabeleland in the Palmer and Holmwood (under 14½) Cup game in June.

Peter Stringfield appeared in goal while William Beddie and Mickey Dunne formed the right wing. Richard Ross was a reserve.

Matabeleland won five-two, Mickey Dunne scoring one of Mashonaland's goals.

Ramblers in the final league table.

Centre-forward John Crawford was always among the goals. With thirteen to his name he was responsible for nearly half the team's goals. Mickey Dunne (6), Peter Fitzgerald (5), William Beddie (3), John Munro (1) and Richard Ross (1), made up the total of twenty-nine. The Boys had 26 goals scored against them.

Despite their lowly position in 1953, the Boys came home with a trophy—the Five-a-Side Cup. But this year, even though their standard was higher, everything eluded them.

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Right-winger Peter Fitzgerald falls to the ground but he gets his shot in and it's the winning third goal against Alexandra Midgets in the league game at Alexandra on June 5th. The B.B. won 3—2. Other players in the picture are (left to right): Desmond Pearce (Alex.), Billy Beddie (B.B.), Rodney Morgan (Alex.) and goalkeeper David Hope (Alex.).



[Photo: Norman Coltham

## FIRST SCOUT CAMP: BOYS OF THE B.B.

The links between The Boys' Brigade and the Boy Scouts date back to five years before the Scout movement was born. To the Albert Hall Display of the London District of the B.B. in 1903 when Major-General Baden-Powell was Chairman.

Baden-Powell was newly returned to England from Africa and this was his first experience of Boyhood in the mass. He was thrilled with it! From that night Baden-Powell and William Smith were sincere friends and the famous General was a staunch supporter of the B.B.

The next year was the twenty-first birthday of the Brigade when Baden-Powell reviewed the Glasgow Battalion (8,000 strong). At William Smith's suggestion, Baden-Powell re-wrote his soldiers' training book, "Aids to Scouting" as "Scouting for Boys" and extracts appeared in The Boys' Brigade Gazette in June, 1906.

The Boys at Baden-Powell's experimental scouting camp on Brownsea Island in July, 1907, were Members of the 1st Bournemouth Company of the B.B.

After appearing in fortnightly parts, "Scouting for Boys" was published as a whole in May, 1908. This was "intended mainly for use in The Boys' Brigade", wrote Baden-Powell on the occasion of the Brigade's Jubilee in 1933. "But so many Boys outside the organisation took up the idea, that it became necessary to organise them as the Boy Scouts. Thus we in the Scouts owe much to The Boys' Brigade."

The Scottish Boy Scouts' Headquarters marked the B.B. Founder's Centenary by inviting six senior B.B. Boys to attend an International Patrol Jamboree at Blair Atholl. So six N.C.O.s joined with Scouts from all over Europe, the United States, Canada, Burma and Ceylon in a Camp in



Lord Baden-Powell of Gilwell, Founder of The Boy Scouts. A photograph taken in 1934.

the grounds of the Duke of Atholl's home, surrounded by some of Scotland's most beautiful scenery. The unanimous decision of their hosts was "the B.B. Boys made the best porridge!"

### Salisbury Football

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Ramblers, of course, won the Championship Cup and they also won the Knockout Cup. In the Five-a-Side Tournament, our Boys got into the final and fought out a draw. But Ramblers swept the board and a goal in extra time gave them the Cup.

However, the Boys did their best; they played well and occupy a respectable position in Salisbury football circles. Congratulations to them.

### Sir Donald and Rhodesia

"I've often thought I'd like to visit Rhodesia," said Sir Donald Finmore, Commandant of Founder's Camp, when I took him to task one day for earlier confessing that he did not know the difference between Southern Rhodesia and South Africa, writes Norman Coltham.

"But the thought of all



[Photo: Norman Coltham

Lochinvar goalkeeper David Wantenaar and B.B. centre-forward John Crawford vie with each other to "mesmerise" the ball during the game at Lochinvar on June 26th. The Boys' Brigade won 5-0.

I'd have to go through to get there deters me," he went on, referring to rolling boats and seasickness.

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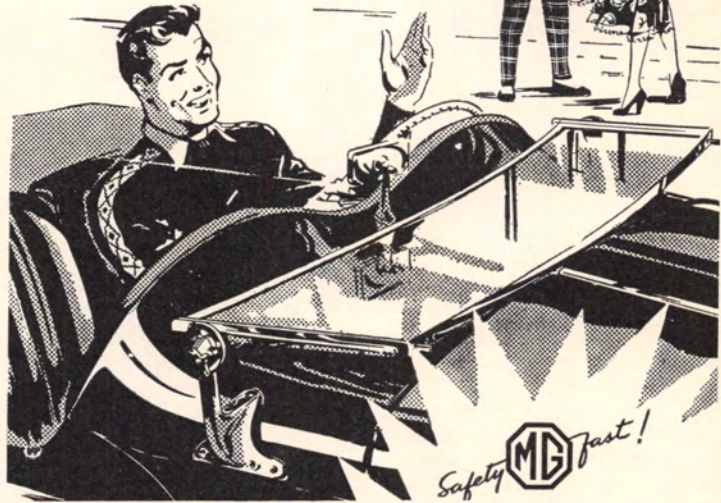
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