

*The*  
**LOG BOOK**  
*of the*  
20<sup>TH</sup> BARNSELEY CENTRAL  
ROVER CREW





W. Marshall.  
William Waine  
G.N. Burgess.

Being a most  
faithful chronicle  
of the  
Doings  
of this crew  
since its inception  
August the 5th  
A.D. 1938.

S.B. Richardson  
T. Newsome  
T. Bolk.

W. H. H. H.  
H. H. H. H.

The short and simple annals of  
the poor.

"The Twentymen"

(ROVER CREW)

August 5th 1938

On this eventful day the undersigned  
amalgamated and decided to form a  
Rover Crew on very active lines.

S. C. Richardson

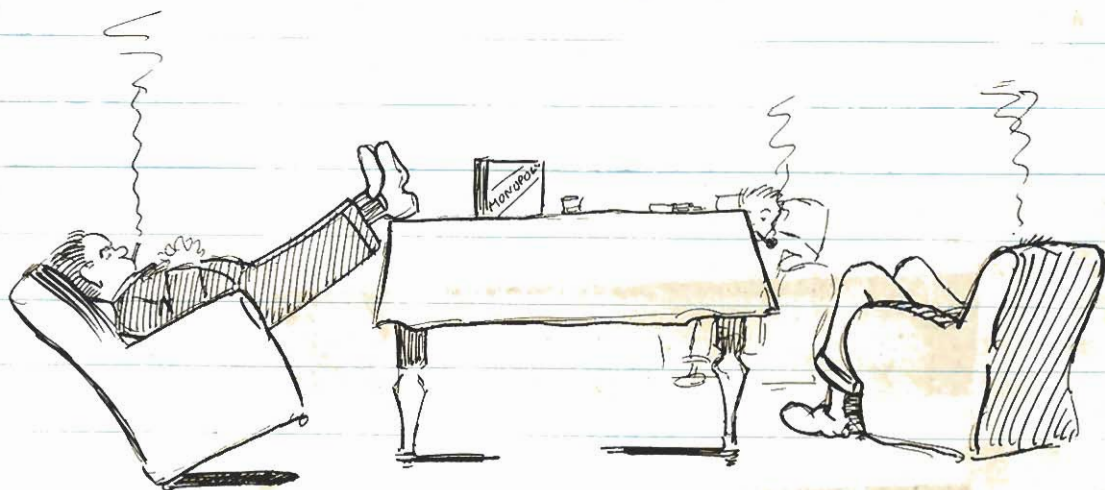
J. W. Marshall

J. F. Lingard

W. Swaine

R. Briggs

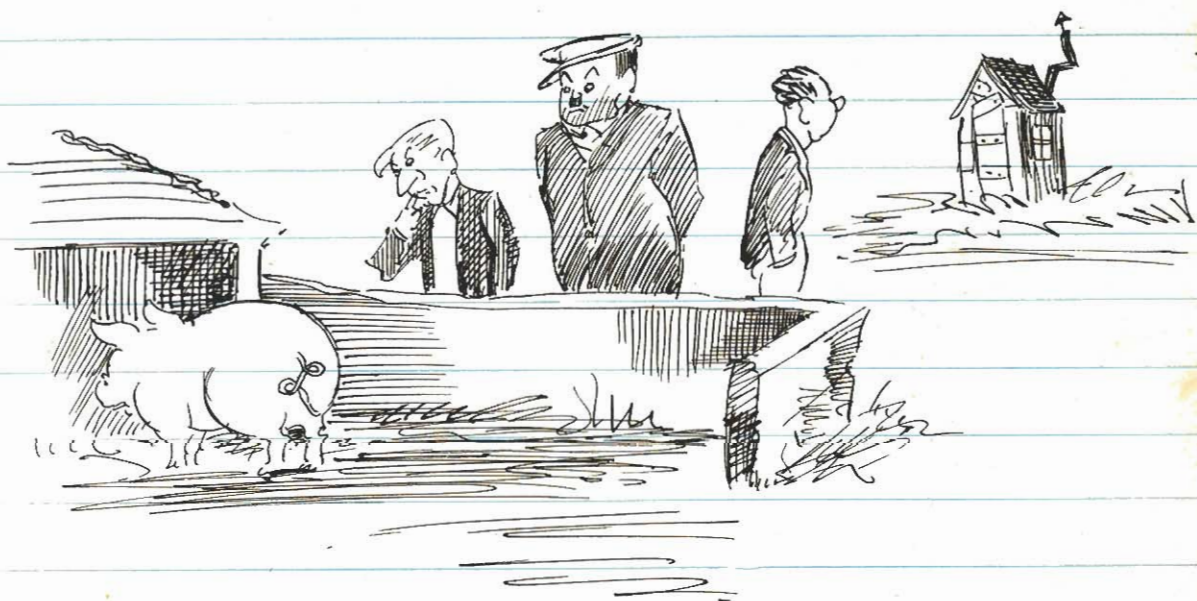
J. Newson





August 1938

Subsequent meetings were held at 110 Summer Lane and much good work was done. The need for expansion was felt and so a hunt for headquarters began.





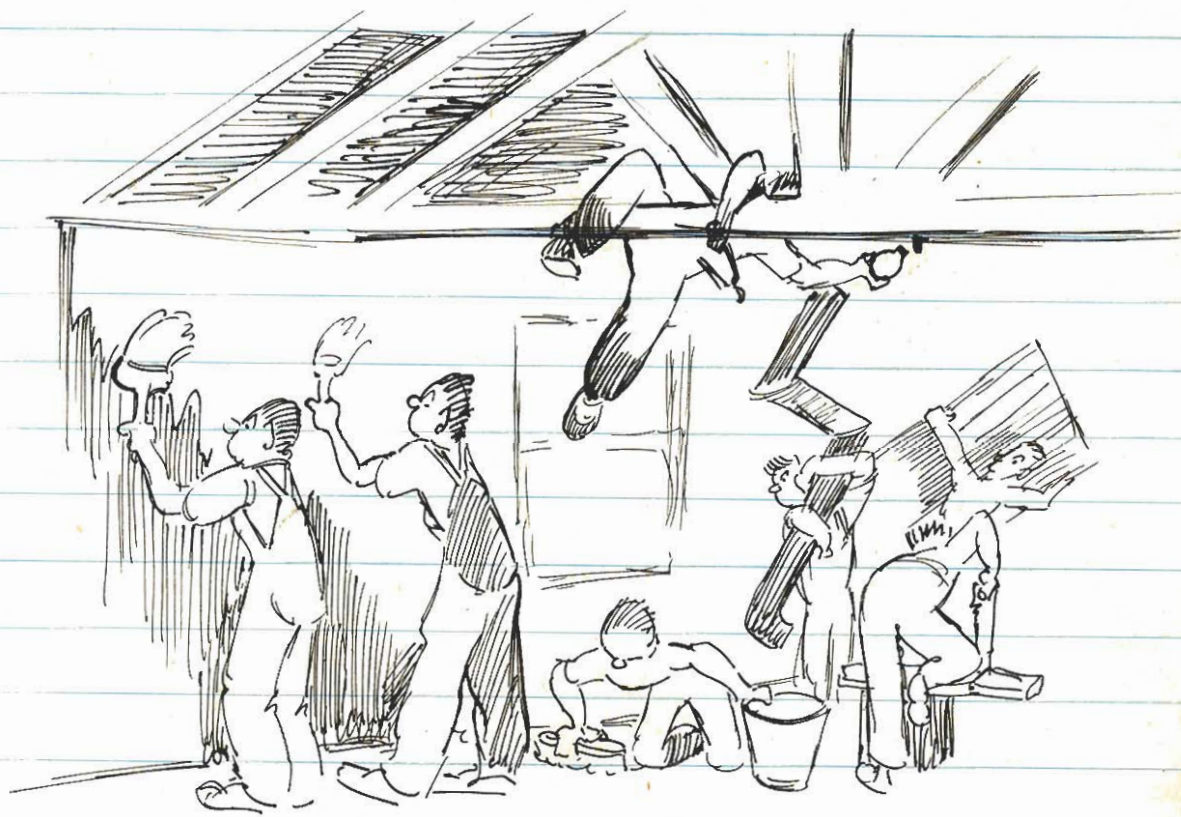
August 14th 1938

To prove that this is an active  
crew a hike was held on  
the sealed instructions principle



September 1938

We acquired a Rover Den and spent some time in preparing it for our meetings. The den is situated above a bakery and behind a pub - What could be better.





October 1938

We decided this month on  
the crew necker.



Plain Black.  
as black is the  
color denoting  
humility

During the months of October  
and November when interest  
in the crew was on the wane  
it was the custom to revive  
the flagging spirits of the  
Rovers with hot meat-  
pies and gravy. This  
ensured a continuity  
of meeting.





December 1938

We entertained about fifty  
children to a tea and a  
Xmas tree

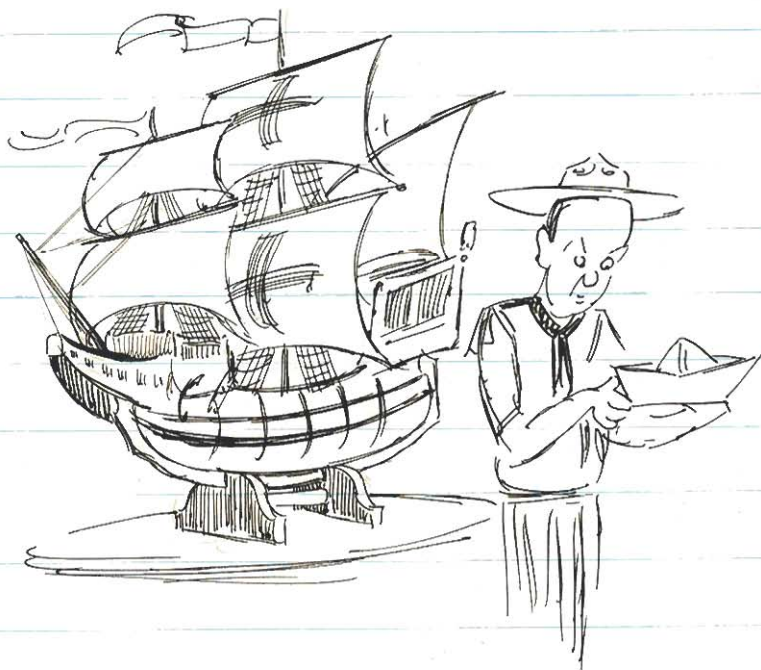


Jan 14th 1939

Our first Rover Moot.

Several rovers of other crews  
now speak to us in the street  
and so we invited them to  
a moot.

Model ships formed  
the topic of the evening's  
diversions





February 2nd 1939

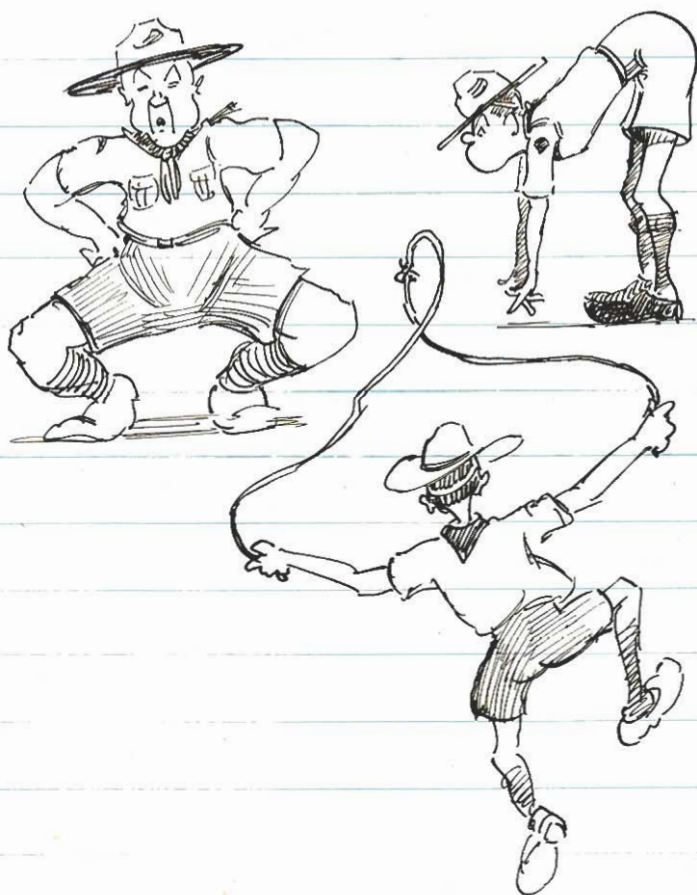
In a desperate effort to  
raise an honest copper..  
we held a dance at  
St George's Hall.



DOING THE LAMBETH WALK

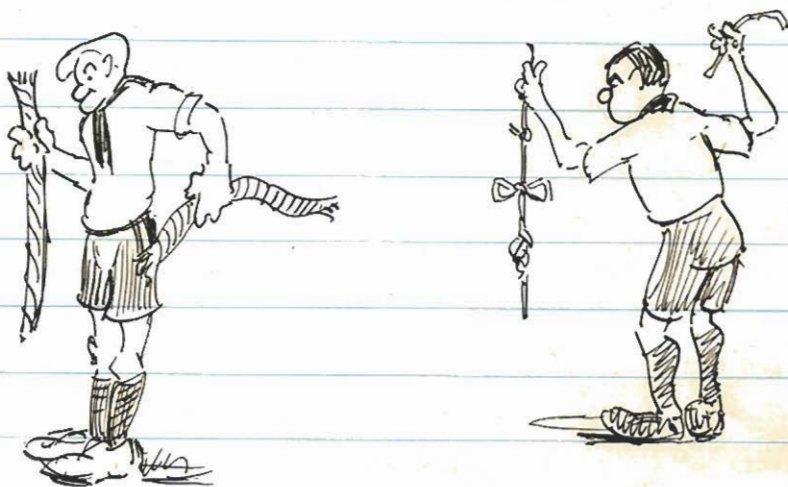
February 11th. 1939

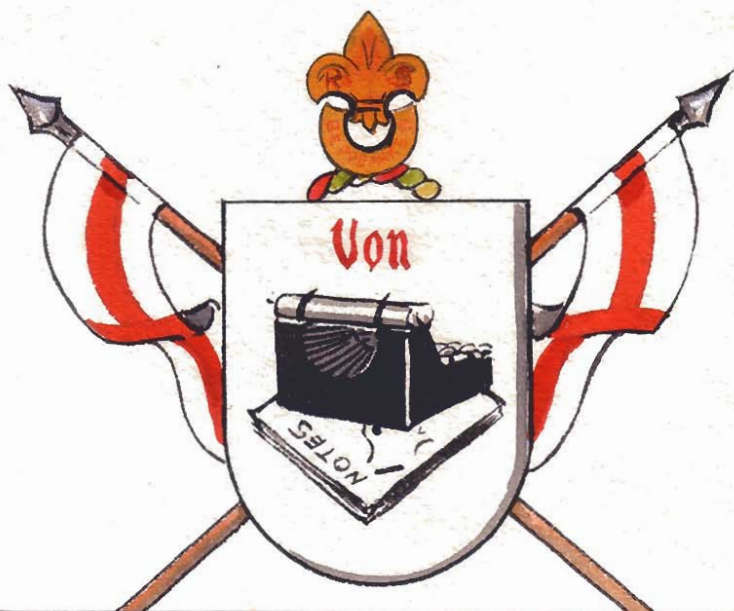
We received the honour of an invitation from St. George's Rover Crew to a Rover Meet at which Physical Training was discussed





During the month of February  
we indulged in some  
very complicated knotting

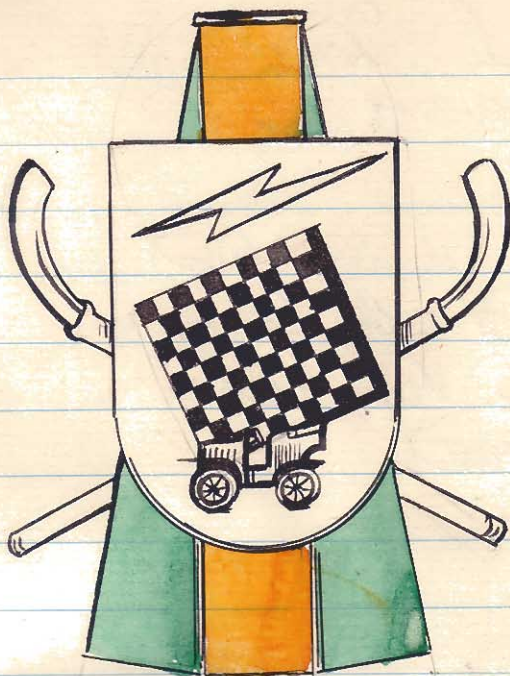




# Cin Investiture

On February 13<sup>th</sup> 1939, I, John Fletcher-Lingard, had the honour of being the First Rover Scout to be invested in the 20<sup>th</sup> Barnsley (Central) Rover Crew.





On February 13<sup>th</sup>  
Toray Wilkins, our  
Games Master was  
invested as a  
Tenderfoot.

March 2nd  
1939

We held a Whist  
dinner at the Co-op  
Hall in Market  
Street





March 23rd  
1939

We held another  
whist drive  
at Market Street



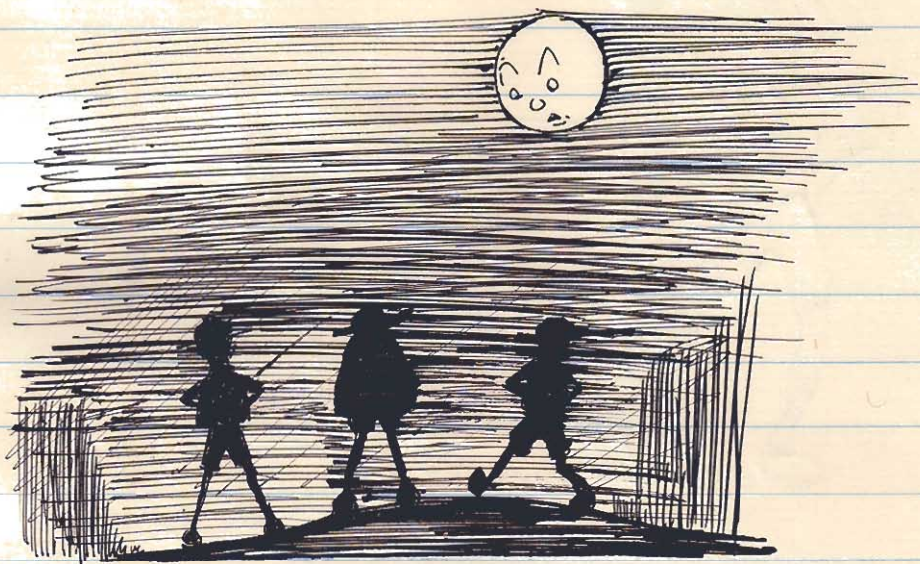
We received the recognition  
of being invited  
to



The Scouters Dinners  
1939



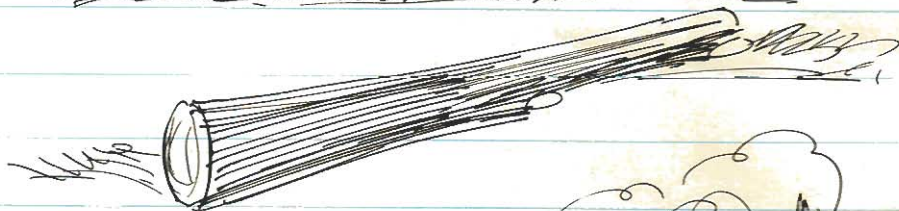
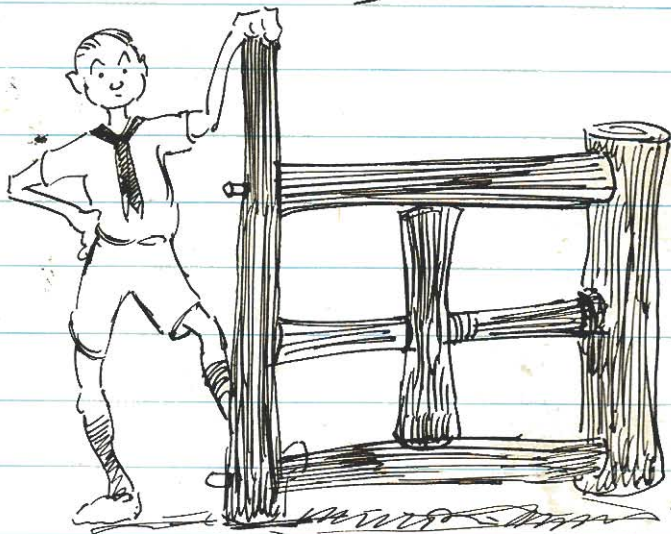
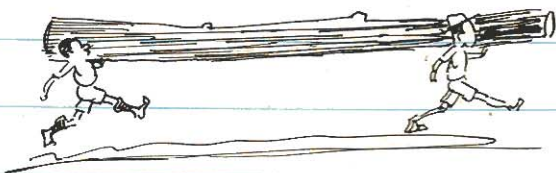
April 1st  
1939



A select party of  
the crew took  
part in a midnight  
hike

April 1939

Much good work was put in at  
the Nottan Park  
Gats.





April 1939

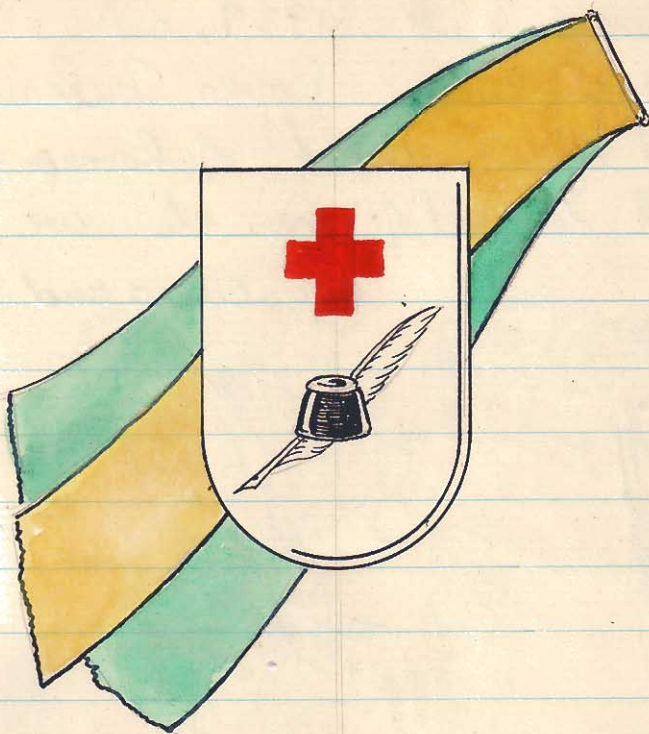


We entertained  
St Johns Cover  
crew at several  
of our meetings



Steward on St Georges Day  
April 23rd 1939



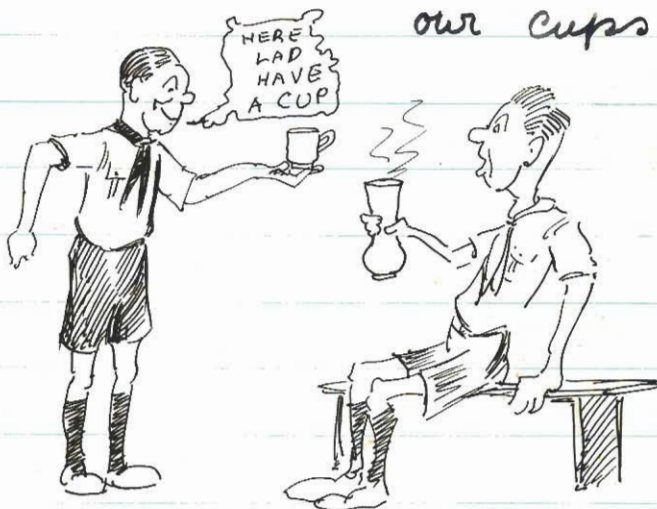


On April 24th.  
Neville Burgers  
was invested as  
a Tenderfoot.

April 29th 1939

Scouters - cum - Rover Conference

Touched by the sight of Rovers trying  
to drink tea out of vases etc we lent  
our cups and saucers



Here ~~was~~<sup>was</sup> the usual crop  
of speakers

Some  
very  
entertaining



others  
not.



April 1939



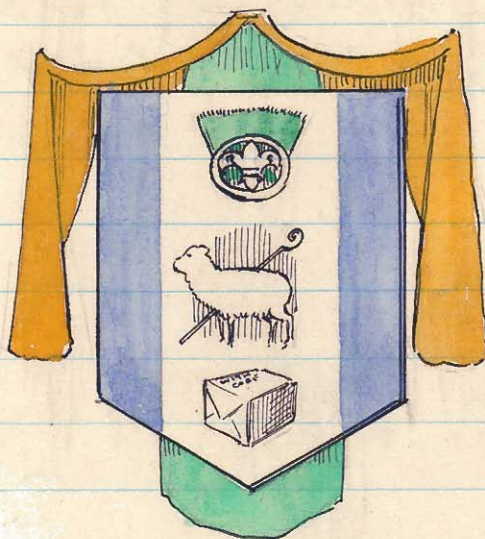
Our Ambulance  
Class

On May 7th  
a very Select  
party of Rovers  
went Hiking

Little is known of  
their doing, except  
the fact that they  
walked 10 miles



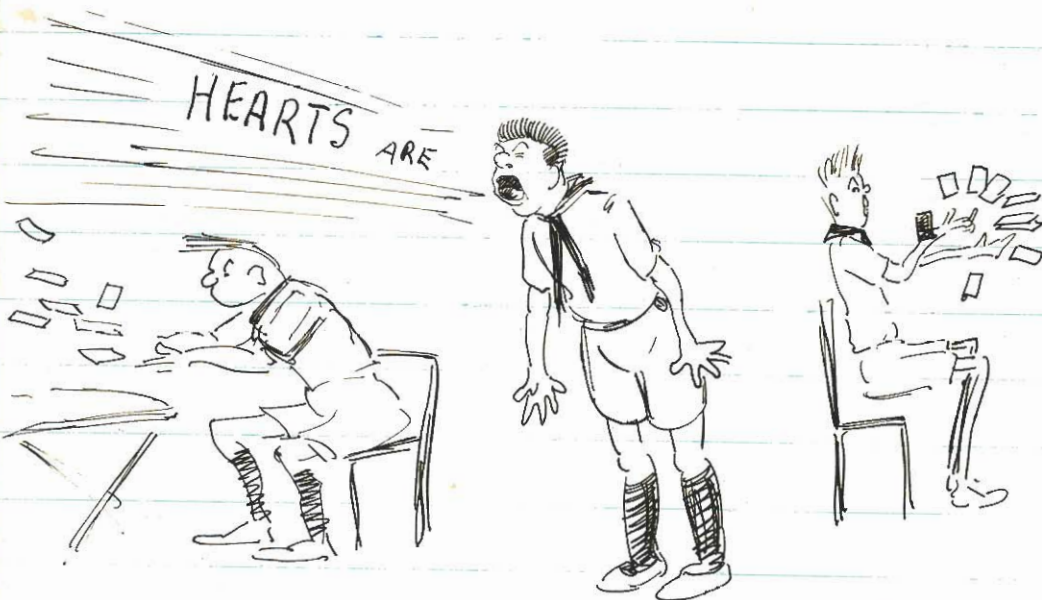




On May 8th we had  
the pleasure of investing  
Ephraim Turtor, of St John's  
Rover Crew, with the  
Menderfoot badge

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On May 11th we held  
another Whist Drive



A pleasant evening was had by all



During May we assisted as  
stewards to the Missionary  
Exhibition.



May 13th

We received the honour of  
being invited to a Rover Knot  
at the Tykes H.Q.



Interesting talks were given on the above  
subjects.

Strong refreshments  
were served.

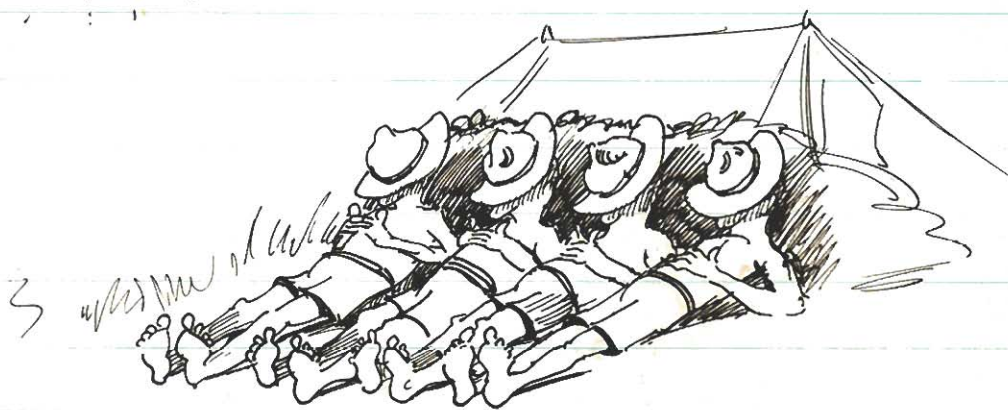




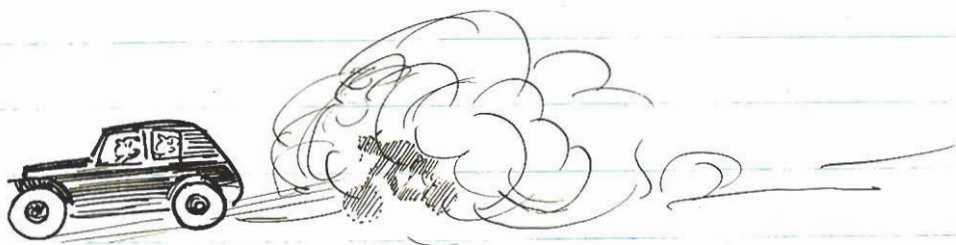
Owing the month of May  
we graciously loaned  
our Headquarters to  
St. Mary's Boys Scouts.  
for one night a week



at Whitsuntide during a  
Heat Wave. Four very  
keen rovers held a  
camp — at  
Hazelhead.



on June 5th  
we all went out  
to Votton for an  
evening camp fire



“JUST A SONG AT TWILIGHT”



Very affecting



June 17th & 18th

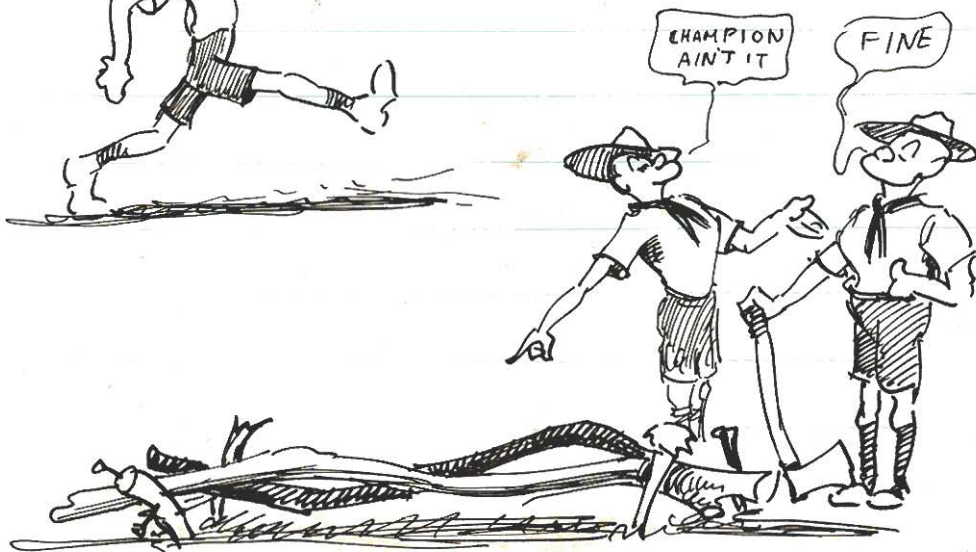
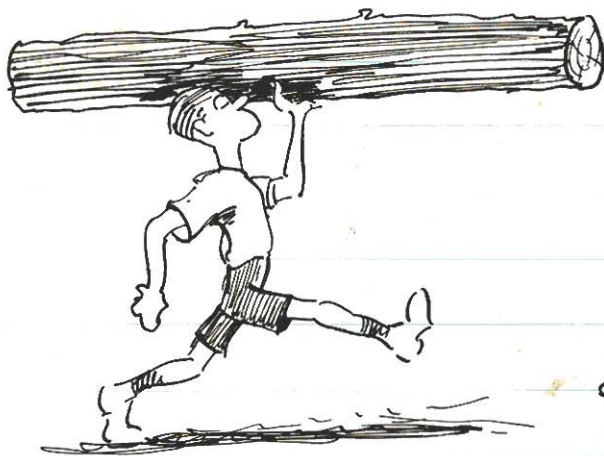
A Rover Meet was organised at Nottow  
we obliged the company at Camp fire



On Sunday a stray chase for a smart  
and grab that ensued



During the month of  
June we constructed  
camp fire seats at  
Motton

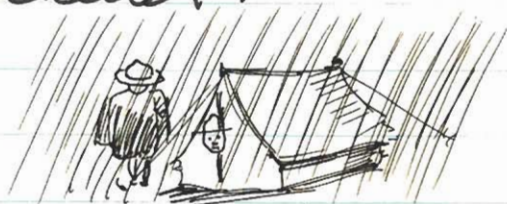




On July 1st a party went  
camping at Hazelhead.



Camp Fire Photography



Rain



The Boy arrives in his  
car



and burns his  
dinner



TIMBER

Sunday activities



In July we went  
to Wotton and selected a  
Camp Site.





Work on the Camp Site



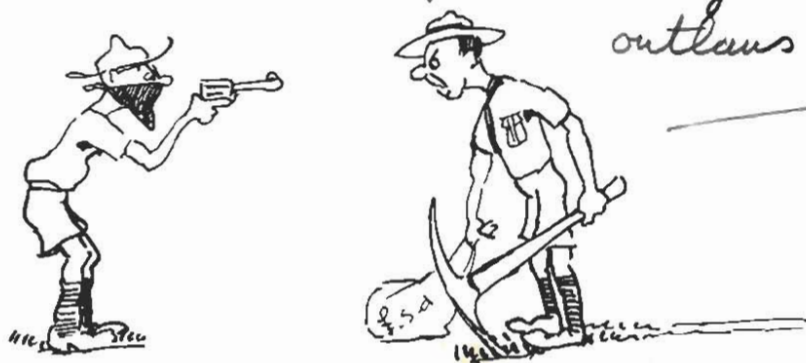
July 29th - 30th 1934  
a Rover meet was held at Norton.

A cloudburst flooded the park.

Gallant. Rescue work was done

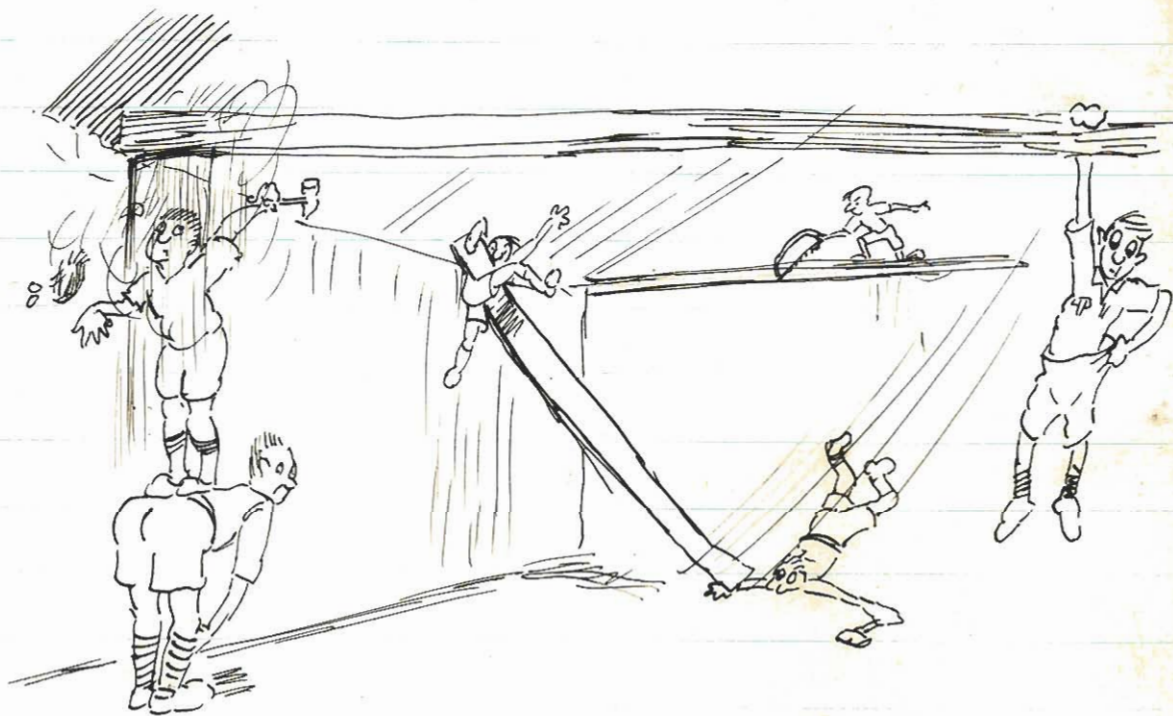


The weather cleared up on Sunday and some  
outlaws got loose

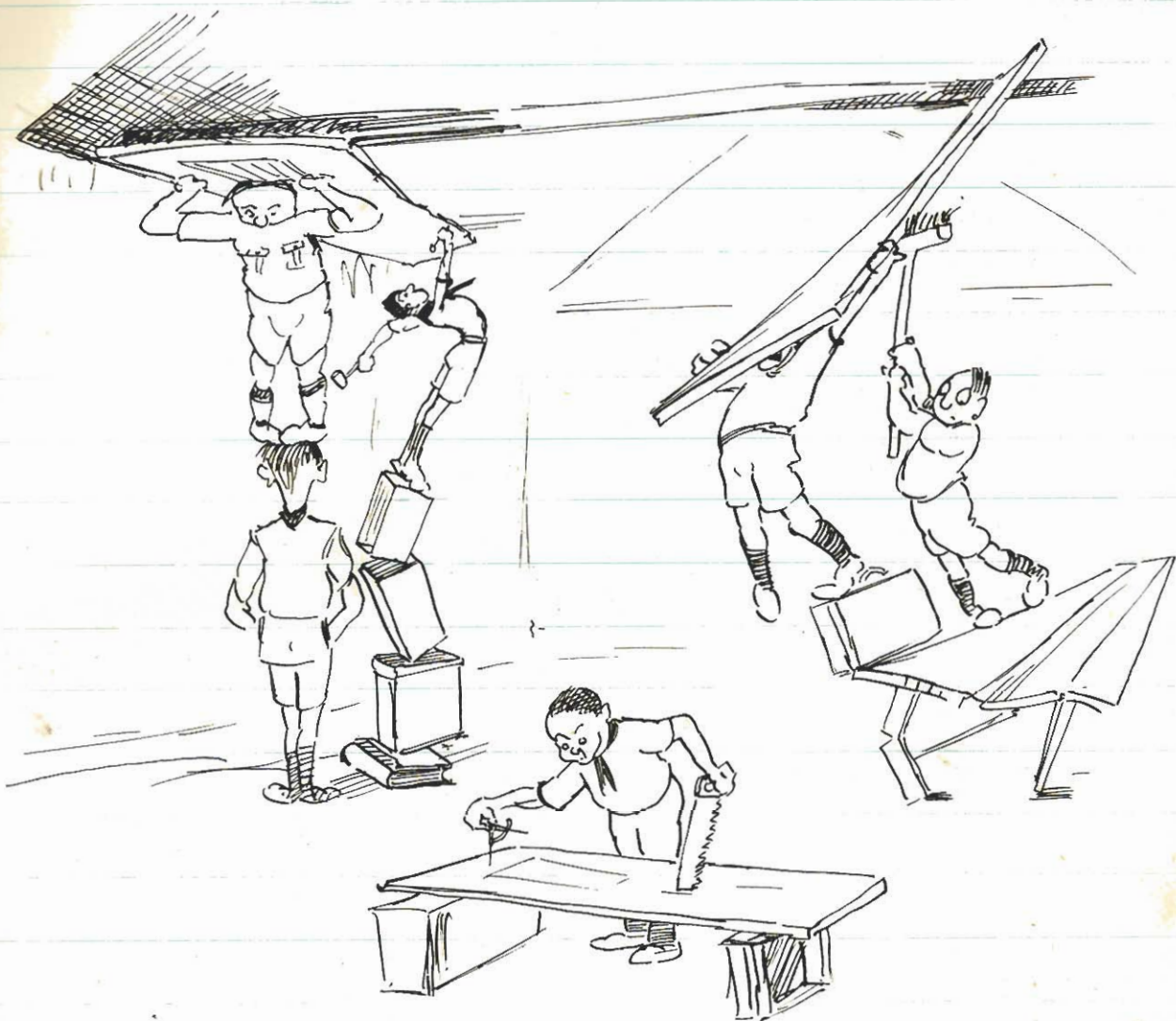


During the months of September  
and October the Rover Den  
was thoroughly overhauled

The old roof beams were  
taken down



A new roof was put up





And then it was patented  
and finally painted



AFTER 27 YEARS ETC ETC  
THE NUMBER OF TROOPS ETC  
DURING THE PAST YEAR, ETC ETC  
WE WANT TO SEE MORE  
FIRST CLASS BADGES ETC ETC

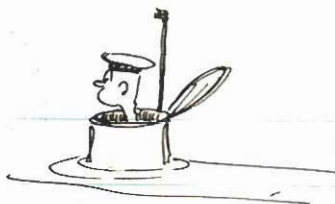


There were some very interesting  
speakers at the Annual Association  
meeting Oct. 27th

Rover boat held at our dear Hookette  
after light refreshment's



There was some stirring reminiscences of  
Jutland

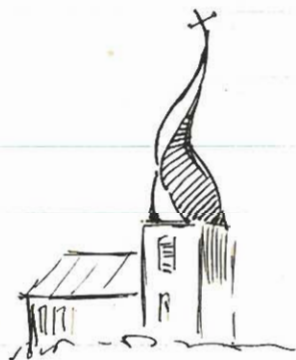






On November the 6th we tidied the  
den thoroughly and hid the rubbish

we also heard much about Chesterfield



from Neville Burgess who is living there

Early in November a strange periodical  
burst upon the unoffending scouts of the  
district. It was produced by one  
of our Rovers whose one idea is to  
remain completely anonymous

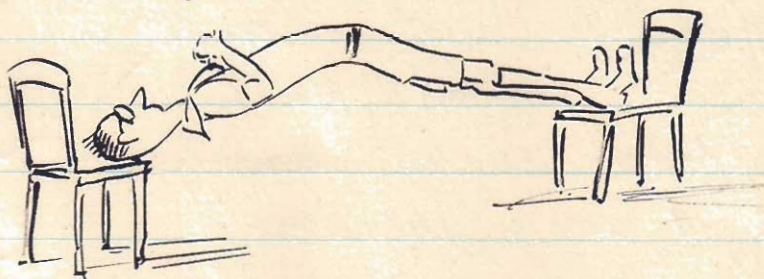


November 13<sup>th</sup> 1939

We visited St. Johns Rovers Crew  
Some difficulty was experienced in finding  
the Den owing to the blackout.



However a very interesting evening was spent  
with games and fish and chips



And we were shown some back breaking  
acrobatic stunts



November 30th 1939

A Whist Drive was held in aid  
of the Comfort's Fund for the troops

A record turn up at this affair quite  
crowded the premises out.



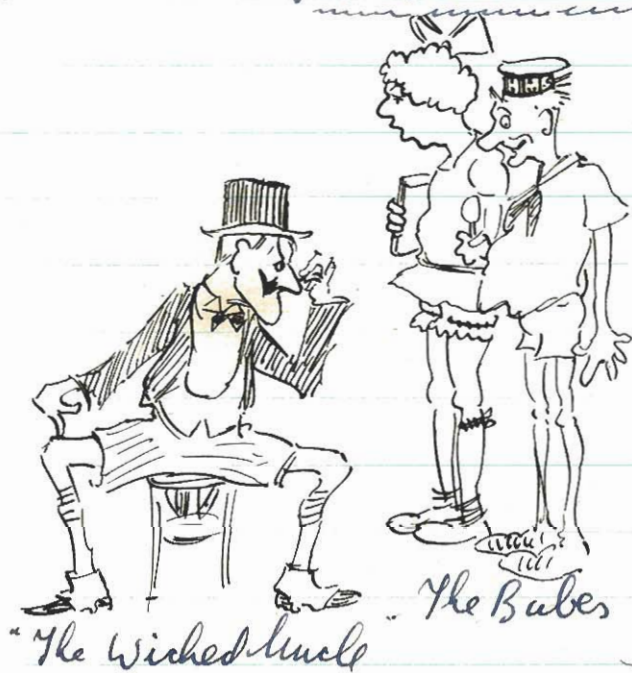
However  
quite a large  
amount of cash  
was taken so we can  
say it was a success.

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Dec 2nd 1934

A Rover moot. at St. George's "Eagles Nest."  
at which we, all unaided, produced  
a grand Xmas Pantomime.

"The Bubes in the Wood"



Uncle - the fairy queen!



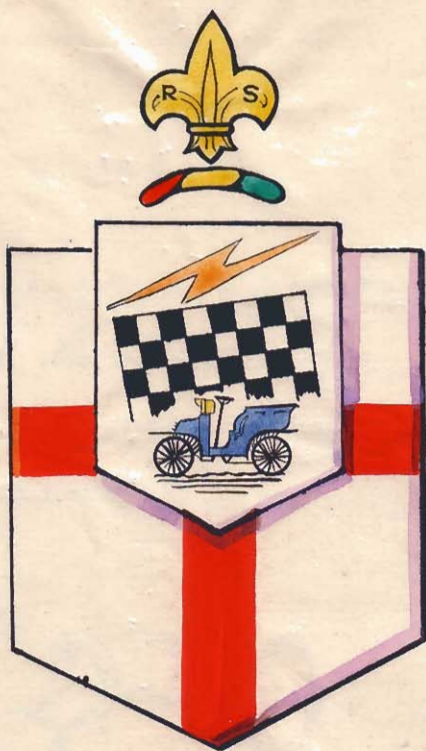
About this time there was a  
great passion  
for tack-hammering  
games



And a series  
of "non spill"  
Races.







# An Investiture

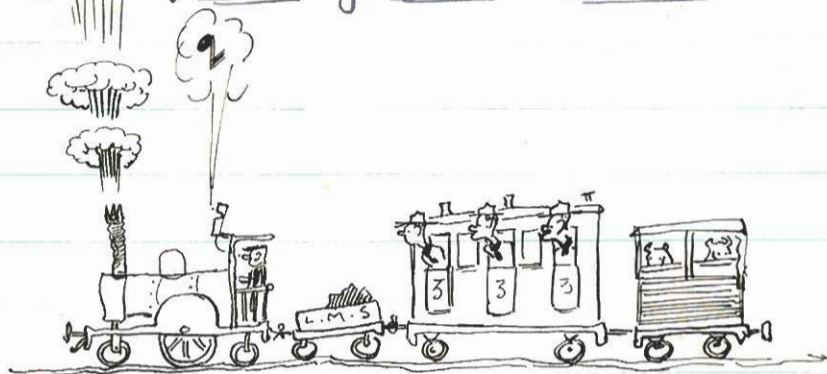
On December 24th 1939

Ferry Wilkins was invested  
as a Rover Scout in this crew.

Morse became popular about now  
but the absence of a proper  
tapper made things a bit-  
awkward.



January 13th 1940



We proceeded by way of L.M.S. [the way of all flesh] to Wombwell to attend a Rover meet. there.



At the camp fire we were shown how virtue can defend itself from the attentions of low minded rovers.





February 3rd 1940

We attended the Scouters Dinner but this year we had to earn our modest-crumbs by performing for the benefit of the assembled scouters.



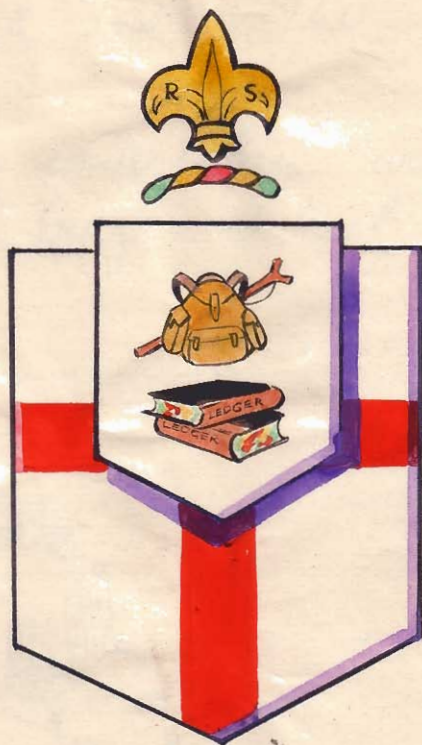
Our Waxwork tableau was considered quite good — almost equal in entertainment to the speeches.

February 17th 1940

A. Rover Moot at St. Johns & P.

The highlight of the evening was  
Pie. crust-





# Cin Investiture

On February 19th 1940  
Frank Newsome was invested  
as a Rover Scout in this crew.



March 3rd 1940

A hike was undertaken around the  
Wharfecliffe Garg district



April opened with  
more "Pie Crust"





# AN INVESTITURE

*On April 22nd 1940, I,  
George Molyneux, was formally  
invested as a Rover Scout  
in this crew.*



April 28th. 1940

We provided waiters for the  
scouts and cubs feed after the  
St Georges Day procession



Consternation is being felt in the German Reich at the number of 20th Rovers who are joining the forces in the present conflict.



And on Tuesday May 21st Good old J.W.M., he of the long nose, wandering lock of hair, numerous activities, and permanent grin, also the original founder of the 20th, departed to join the R.A.F.



During the month of June  
several visits to Cawthorne  
to swim.



And to play cricket-





In July a long discussion  
was held regarding changing  
the colour of our unique necker  
Chosen specially for its colour  
after long and earnest arguments  
in 1938.



July 20th 1940

Opening of the Waste Paper Depot-



During the month of August



A very well known dark lady  
became popular  
with the rovers.

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In September



The den was whitewashed

# Summer activities at Notton Park



Fencing

and Wardening!





## INVESTITURES

On September 23rd 1940  
Kenneth Booth and Neville  
Burgers were invested as  
Rover Scouts in this crew.



October 19th 1940

A Rover meet. was held at our Den.



Pie Crust.



And tea made  
with Sacharin Tablets



Everybody brought  
their own grub.



On Saturday, October 19th.  
Jerry Wilkins of this crew  
married Miss Betty Cook  
at York.

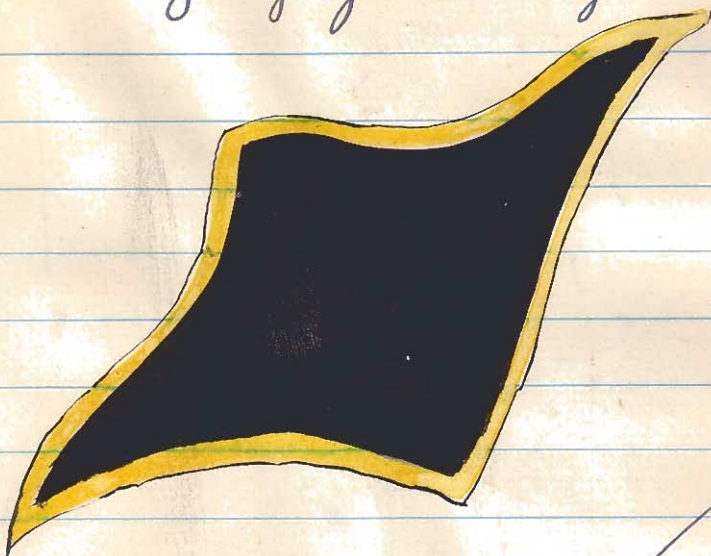




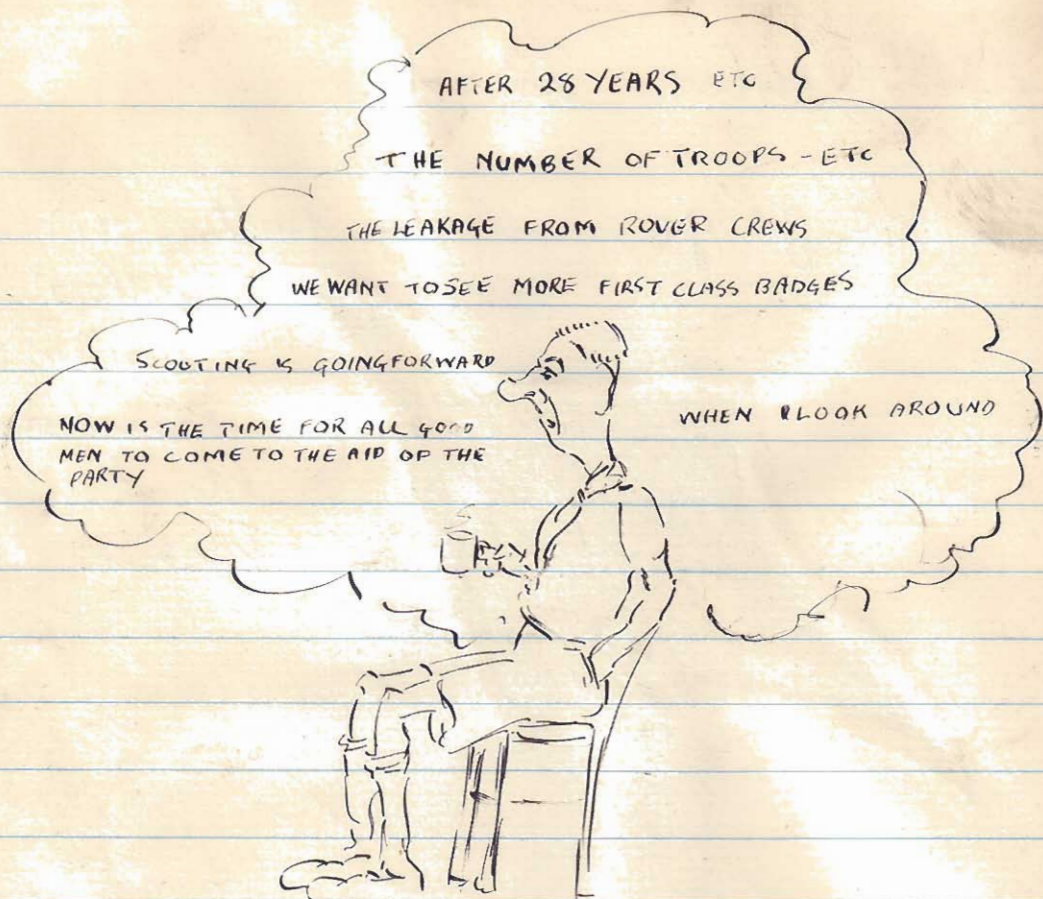
October 23rd.

We go gay. — by putting a

yellow  
border  
round our  
black  
necker







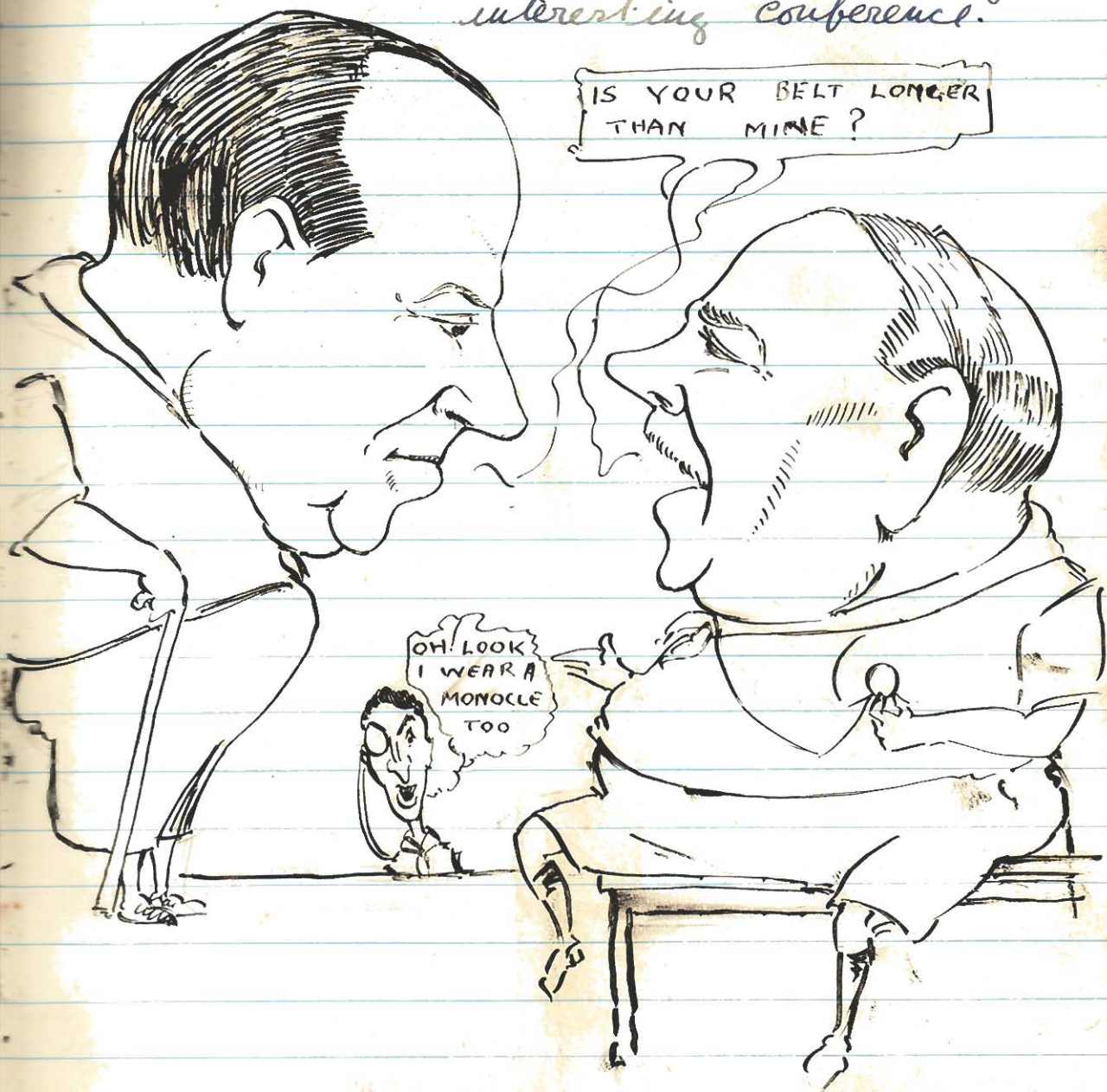
There were some interesting speakers  
at the Association meeting on October 25th

Old Ship in  
the limelight.



October 27th

After many adventures in the way of the bus which conveyed us, breaking down we arrived at Sheffield and heard a very interesting conference.





During November  
the den received  
a somewhat belated  
but very thorough  
spring clean.



after three weeks the place was unrecognisable





DETAILS of the New Rover Trophy, on view at the monthly Rover Moot on Sunday at the headquarters of the Wombwell Crew, presented by Mrs. S. C. Richardson, will be found in our Scout Notes on page 6.

Chief event at the Rover Moot  
Sunday Dec 1st.



It becomes very difficult these days to remember which is the correct uniform for the right occasion



Dec 1940



Consternation felt by  
early German invaders



A/B Harry Jones  
Lost at sea in the Straits  
of Sumatra in March 1941.

H.C.L. YOVEL  
HMS PILOTÉE  
406 PO LONDON

December 24<sup>th</sup> 1940

Dear Skip,

Many thanks for the card, received to-day. It shows that we've not been forgotten. I should imagine by now that well over 50% of the Romans will be away from home now but I expect we shall carry on as usual when the trouble's over.

This time in harbour there's been plenty of news for me. Bill Thompson off to China. Gayfel leaving. Hope you manage to get someone to carry on the Sweet Notes while he's away. It would be a pity to let them drop after all the labour he has spent on them.

I shall spend Christmas Day on the ocean wave. It certainly will be a change for me. Still I expect this Christmas will be a quiet one at home. We've endeavoured to make the place a little homelike with a few decorations & we managed to get ashore.

Best wishes and Good Scouting for the coming year  
Harry

1941 was saddened by  
the death of the Chief  
board in January.

A memorial service was  
held in St. George's Church  
on January 12th.



**THE CHIEF SCOUT.**



At the January Rover Meet  
at Royston we  
heard a

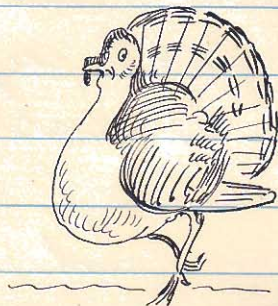
very interesting  
talk upon  
citizenship

and what  
happens to  
the Rate  
Money

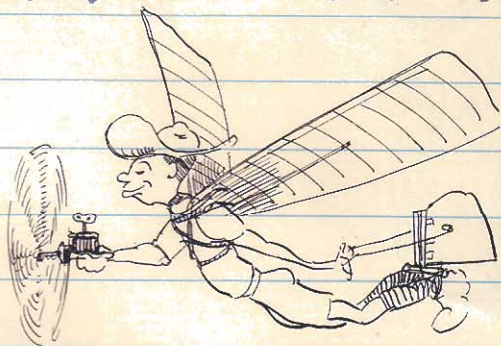


February 1941

At the Scouters dinner



We heard much about the newly  
formed  
air scouts



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Yet another of our stalwarts, in the person of Mr. S. C. Richardson, our well-known A.D.C. for Rover Scouts, has joined his military service unit this week. His many friends wish him the very best of good luck.

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Dec 4 1941

Recently home on his first leave after joining H.M. Forces, the A.D.C. Rover Scouts, L./Cpl. S. C. Richardson is looking as cheery as ever. He has just received his first promotion.

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Jan 16 1942