

NOVEMBER
1936

OPENING OF
NEW SCOUT HALL

Inclement weather marred to a certain extent the arranged procedure on Saturday afternoon and the intended march round the village was curtailed. Led by the Prince Pipe Band, the Rover Scouts, Guides, Rangers, Brownies, with their leaders, marched only from their temporary quarters in King Street to their new hall with proud men as holding the very important occasion.

The ceremony, which was to have been held inside the hall, included the new hall being dedicated to the maker. The Rev. T. Craig invoked a blessing on the hall and its future purpose. Mr J. T. Penderel, president of the Scout Association, stated that the local Scout Troop was formed 20 years ago and that the past few years had temporarily accommodated in King Street, generously given rent free by the Rev. Mr Thomas, in which they had made immediate their first very happy home, but owing to expansion the accommodation was no longer sufficient and the only obvious solution was a new hall. In two years, by other efforts, they had raised several hundred pounds, but as the cost was way off, and with generous assistance, a very substantial grant had been arranged for a hall, which would be a credit to their ambitions. He had very great pleasure in calling upon Mr James Gourlay to open the hall.

Mr Gourlay, in his remarks, said it was most gratifying to see such a large turnout, and admitted that he had never before seen, outside the service, so many people in one place, so much interest taken in any other object by so many people. He said that the hope that they would continue to take part, interested in a movement which deserved every encouragement, was a matter of two to the others themselves to advise them what to regard their work here only as a means, but more from a desire to help others. He said that he sincerely hoped the hall would prove a great blessing and he had much pleasure in calling upon Mr James Gourlay to open the hall.

Appropriately introduced by Mr John Miller, vice-president, Miss Miller of Auchenheatie, who was president of the Girl Guides took the opportunity of congratulating Miss M. Watson, Ranger captain, on her appointment as captain of the Girl Guides of Lancashire. Thereafter, she gave a survey of the aims and progress of the organisation, and the services rendered by the members present will be generous at the sale, which she said, had the pleasure of opening. Mr J. T. Penderel, president of the Scout Association, said that the tradesmen who erected the hall intended presenting the Scout Troop with a cheque for £100. Mr D. McArthur moved a vote of thanks, which was carried.

As a memento of the occasion and in recognition of their services, Mr James Gourlay presented Mr Gourlay with a fountain pen inscribed "To Mr Gourlay and Miss Margaret Scott". Brownie presented Miss Margaret Scott with a box of chocolates. Thereafter the guests adjourned to the hall where several sides shows and competitions were held. The programme included a display of stunts—Produced—Miss Robert Burns, Mrs John Miller, and Miss McDonald. Cake and sandwiches were served by Mr and Mrs Wardrop and Miss Watson. Club presents included Miss Felling, Household staff—Miss L. Thompson, Girls' Committee—Miss Wardrop was in charge of Mr. Robert Craig, Mrs. Jane Jackson, and Mrs. Robert Leggatt. Miss Tweedie, who had charge of the tea room, and a fortune-teller was kept busy, engaged in the tea room.

The various teams competing in each class for baking competitions and the results were as follows—Sponges, made with cream cheese, were won by Miss Wardrop, Strathaven Road; 2, Mrs. M. Wardrop, Cambusnethan Street; 3, Mrs. Wardrop, Lockhart Place; 4, Mrs. Wardrop, Cambusnethan self-raising flour—1, Mrs. Wardrop, Cambusneth Place; 2, Mrs. Wm. Connon, 1 Angle Street; 3, Miss May McNeven, Strathaven Road.

After the sale a dance followed, in which about 150 couples took part. Music was supplied by Legion Pipe Band, and the Rangers provided a buffer, which was well received. The band played until 11 p.m., when the end of a perfect day. Much joy was expressed over the news that Guides are also to be presented with a cheque. Mr and Mrs. Tom Wilson, Avonhaugh. As a result of the sale, the Ladies Committee remain grateful thanks to all who in any way assisted in making this day such a success.



STONEHOUSE'S NEW SCOUT HALL, which will be opened to-day by Mr James Gourlay (top left), after which Miss Miller (bottom right) will open cake and candy sale. Scoutmaster Robert Craig and Ranger Captain Miss Watson are other insets.



(67th Lanarkshire) 1st Stonehouse Troop Boy Scouts
(100th Lanarkshire) 1st Stonehouse Company Girl Guides

JOINT SERVICE

of

Dedication & Presentation
of Colours

1937

St. Ninian's Church, Stonehouse

On Sunday, 31st January, 1937

at 3 p.m.

Scout Colours gifted
by Contractors of
New Hall

Guide Colours gifted
by Mr and Mrs Thomas
Wilson, Avonhaugh

Collection in aid of the local Nursing Association

ORDER OF SERVICE

Praise

All praise then our earth do dwell,
Sing in the Lord with cheerful voice,
His arm with might, His power true,
Tell to future men and posterity,

Show that the Lord is God indeed,
Without one and He did us make;
We are His flock, He doth us feed,
And for His sheep He doth us take.

Prayer

Scripture Lesson

Offering

Praise

Psalm 100
Hymn 647
Verses 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 and 8

Land of our birth, we pledge to thee
Our love and忠 in the years to be;
When we are green and take our place,
As men and women with our race.

Father in Heaven, who loves all,
O help Thy children when they call;
That they may hold from age to age,
An undivided heritage.

Land of my birth, our birth, our pride,
With strength and virtue, our fathers' chief;
O therefore we pledge to thee,
The truth whereby the nation bee.

Land of our birth, our birth, our pride,
With strength and virtue, our fathers' chief;
O therefore we pledge to thee,
Head, heart, and hand through the years
to be!

Address
Rev. D. DOIG, B.D.

Hymn 286

Alike with me; fast falls the evening bairn;
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide;
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebb out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;
Close and dear is the loved life;—
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.

Lord Thou Thy Cross before my closing eyes,
Through the gloom, and point me to the skies;
Heaven's morning break, and earth's
last shadow flee;—
In life and death, O Lord, abide with me.

Dedication of Colours
Rev. D. C. M'ARTHUR

Presentation of Colours
Scouts : Mrs R. McGhie
Guides : Mrs T. Wilson

Benediction

National Anthem

Congregation will please retain seats till Colour Parties, Troop
and Company leave the Church