

I meet Jack's BAOR cubs

VALLÉE DE CONCHES: 6300 ÉCLAIREUSES



JACK SIMPSON loves the scout movement. He has been in it since he was seven years old, and before he joined the R.E.M.E. he was with the 15th South Western Leeds troop. Posting to BAOR, in Germany, has not dulled his keenness. His mother, Mrs. Emily Simpson, writing from Jack's home at Whingate Avenue, Armley, Leeds, said that he had helped to form a cub pack among the children of British servicemen who are stationed in Celle.

Mrs. Simpson asked me to visit Jack during my tour of BAOR, and what a welcome I received at the gym in Celle where the pack meets! I soon found myself swapping my own scouting memories with the youngsters, and with Jack and cub mistress Mrs. Monica Debenham, wife of Staff-Sergeant John Debenham.

The cubs enjoyed a half-holiday from school for my visit—all except young George Seagrave, who says his dream wish is "to stay at school forever." Jack and Monica need no dream wishes. Their cub work is enough. "It keeps you young," says Monica.

Willfred admires (left) the badges on the shirt of Richard Debenham, son of the cub mistress. **Below** a double salute for Jack Simpson and the pack



Lady Baden-Powell, en conversation animée avec Mme Perle Bugnion-Secrétan, commissaire nationale des éclaireuses suisses.

