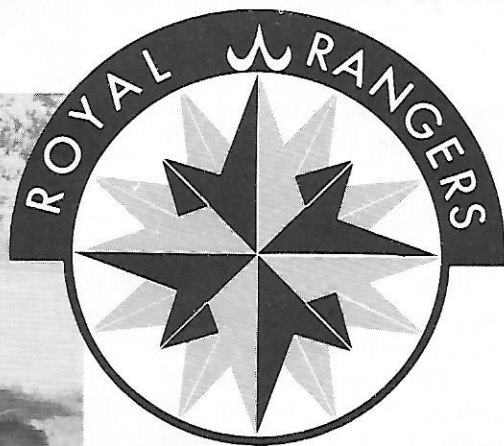
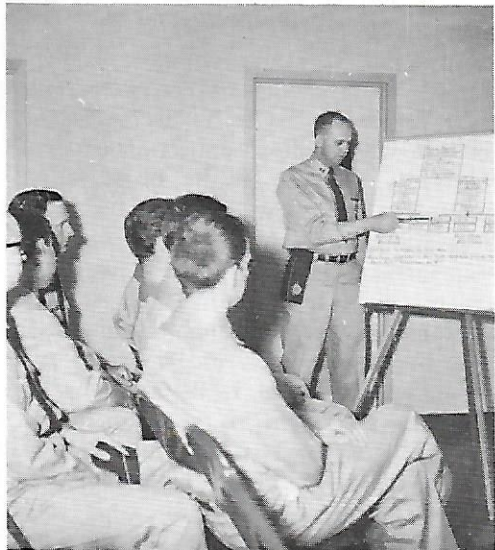


**Above: Leadership training means gaining experience in all phases of the Royal Rangers program. Minnesota leaders learn about setting up a tent. Below: Local churches, like First Assembly in Memphis, Tennessee, provide helps in understanding and assisting boys.**



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ASSEMBLIES OF GOD MEN, at national, district, and local levels are getting into step with a variety of training divisions with a single aim—to win boys to Jesus Christ and dedicated discipleship through the program of the Royal Rangers. One of these is a correspondence course in leadership training and the structure of the Royal Ranger program offered by the national office. According to National Commander Johnnie Barnes, over 2,200 men are currently enrolled.

The annual National Training Seminar for District Royal Ranger Commanders convened at the national headquarters March 9, 10 in conjunction with the Men's Fellowship Seminar. Scheduled during this event was a colorful area-wide Royal Ranger rally which was addressed by Howard Bush, executive director of the program, who wore the commander's uniform. Thomas F. Zimmerman was a platform guest as were members of the National Advisory Council of the Royal Rangers.

Open to the public, the rally featured a highly interesting march past of uniformed Royal Rangers from area churches. Many groups carried local patrol banners, and each saluted the national commander in passing. Later in the program a visual describing the structure of Pioneers (for boys 9-11 years), Trailblazers (for boys 12-14), and Air and Sea Rangers (for boys 15-17) was presented by representative Royal Rangers.

