



ABOVE: There was time out for fun at the Oklahoma powwow held at the Assembly of God youth campgrounds near Turner Falls, Okla. Commander Bob Harris of Ardmore is at left.

LEFT: This training session on the use of a compass was one of eight classes for the boys.

LOWER LEFT: Royal Rangers of Grace Assembly of God, Oklahoma City, were selected as the top outpost at the powwow.

OKLAHOMANS ENJOY "HEAP BIG POWWOW"

OKLAHOMA CITY—This state, which for many years was an Indian reservation, has been the scene of many powwows, but none was like the one conducted by Royal Rangers in southern Oklahoma this year. On June 1 Royal Rangers from

various areas of the state began to gather at the Assembly of God youth campgrounds near Turner Falls, Okla., for the second annual Oklahoma District Powwow. Tents covered the campsite, located in a meadow beside beautiful Falls Creek in the Arbuckle Mountains. A total of 493 men and boys soon had camp set up for the powwow.

Behind the campsite on a hill stands a rugged cross about 30 feet high. The cross is illuminated at night and can be seen for miles. On the first night, the Royal Rangers climbed the steep, narrow trail to the top of the hill and assembled for a service at the foot of the cross. National Commander Johnnie Barnes was the special speaker. At the very first service, many boys responded to the invitation to accept Christ.

After flag-raising and morning devotions, the boys spent the remainder of each morning in an "Adventures in Camping" training session. Each afternoon was devoted to recreation.

On the second night, the group gathered in an open-air arena for a council fire service. The National Commander appeared in Indian headdress and regalia.

Another feature at the council fire was the introduction of the Royal Rangers "Frontiersmen Camping Fraternity." This special camping club is for older, outstanding Royal Rangers. Six boys were "called out" and made charter members of the Oklahoma Chapter. Other Rangers were inspired to work hard on their advancement so they can qualify for the Fraternity next year.

The powwow adjourned after lunch on the third day. Final tabulation listed 84 boys saved!

The powwow was under the direction of Eugene Meador, Royal Rangers District Commander for Oklahoma. Commander Meador states, "The results of the powwow were tremendous and new enthusiasm has been created for Royal Rangers in Oklahoma. We are planning an even greater powwow next year!"



ROYAL RANGERS ADVANCE IN ALABAMA

MONTGOMERY, ALA.—A total of 680 boys and men registered for three Royal Rangers powwows in Alabama during June. Of these, 121 came to know Jesus Christ as their own Saviour in the Friday night services.

Clanton was the site of the first powwow where 335 registered and 73 were saved. Land here was donated to the Alabama District by Miss Velma Davis for development as a Royal Rangers campsite. When completed, it will have a lake, clubhouse, worship area, 28 camping sites, recreation area, and sanitary facilities.

Twenty-five were saved at the powwow in Little River Forest near Atmore among 206 register-

ing. Little River Forest is a 22,000-acre plot with a 40-acre lake and all the facilities for a most enjoyable powwow.

The powwow at Newton saw 139 registered with 23 boys saved.

The Royal Rangers program continues to advance in the Alabama District. Three years ago there were 68 boys and men in chartered outposts. Now there are more than 800 boys and men in 80 outposts throughout the district. George Walters is the district commander.

Morning devotions at the Alabama Royal Rangers powwow in Little River Forest.

