

Personality Profile Of The Week

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Ivor Kellett, District Scout Commissioner for Peel Central, has been a keen Scouter most of his life.

At eight he walked from his home on Mineola Road, Port Credit to the Cub meeting held in the Orange Hall, Cooksville. This small boy arrived one evening to discover that the pack had disbanded, because of lack of leadership. This may be one reason that Mr. Kellett devotes so much of his free time to Scouting.

At 14 he joined the 1st Sea Scouts in Port Credit and was active with them and working with Cub Packs until he joined the R.C.A.F.

Mr. Kellett who delivered both Toronto evening papers, while he was attending school joined the staff of the Toronto Star as a copy boy at eighteen. He worked there until he joined the Air Force.

He saw most of his overseas stint in India, one of the few people to have flown the "hump", he did this regularly as the navigator for the crew taking supplies from India to China.

Following his return from overseas, he continued his education for a time and then returned to Cooksville in a house he built himself. He still lives there with his wife Anne and their four children.

Mr. Kellett, who has always been active in his church was the first choir boy at Trinity Anglican Church, Port Credit.

He is now Rector's Warden at St. Hilary's Anglican Church. Since his return to this district, he has been active in Scouting at St. Hilary's, he was leader of the Scout Troop there for many years. Mr. Kellett has a very definite philosophy about Scouting for boys, he says, "I remember what it was like to be a boy, there were so many things we would have enjoyed doing, but the leaders did all the work." He thinks that boys learn by doing.

One of his pleasures each year is the canoe trip into the Haliburton district he takes



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with the Scouts, where the boys have the fun of "doing."

Mr. Kellett who has devoted a great deal of time to his work as District Commissioner, is looking forward to returning to the "boy level." He says, "I will serve anywhere I can do a job, but I would rather work with the boys, there is a lot more common sense in children than in adults, children can spot a phony a mile away." Mr. Kell-

ett's theories in working with boys seem to be correct since his Troop produced 14 Queen Scouts from 1956 until 1962, and the majority of the boys stay with the troop and then go on to take part in the leadership of Scout activities.

As sales manager for a life insurance company, Mr. Kellett is a busy person, who obviously receives a great deal of pleasure from his work in Scouting.