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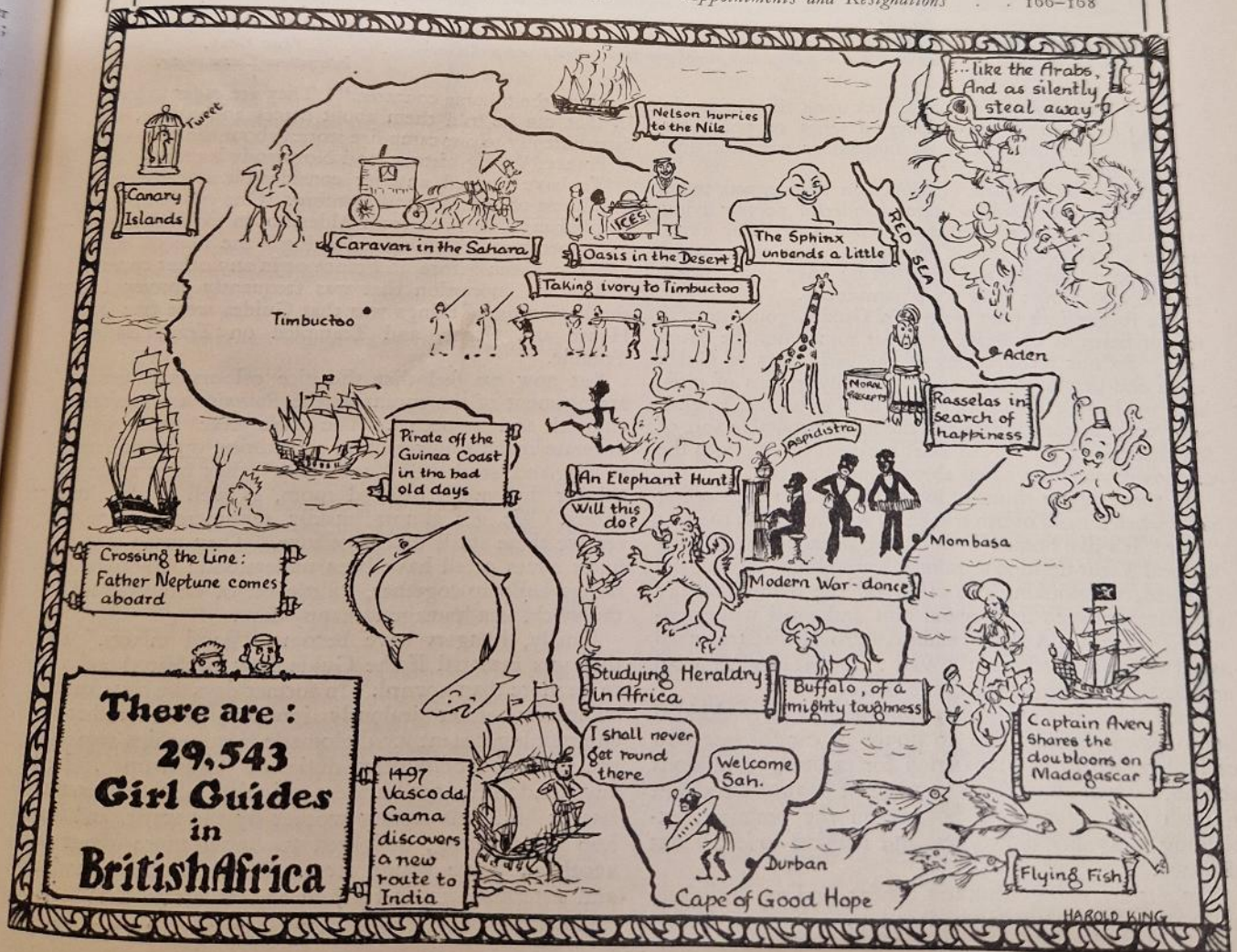
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Le Château
d'Argeronne.

British Guides in Normandy

The following article has been written, in response to my request, by Mademoiselle de Montmort, the charming châtelaine of the Château d'Argeronne in Normandy, who for the last few years has opened her heart and her home to Guides of every country, especially the British ones. During the past six summers very many companies have streamed through the hospitable gates of Argeronne, and Mademoiselle de Montmort has had many opportunities of seeing how Guides comport themselves in a foreign country, and how much they live up to their profession when away from their usual surroundings. Mademoiselle de Montmort loves Guides, and wants them to be perfect—hence I feel we should be very grateful for her criticisms and suggestions as to how to make a visit abroad even more enjoyable and profitable.

ROSE KERR,
International Commissioner.

NOW that we can look back upon the Guides in camp at Argeronne over a series of years, we realise that our first impressions were certainly over-critical.

Guiding, as yet little developed in France, was to us a magic word. Guides were wonderful people living a great human ideal in a superhuman way; they never broke a rule, they always shut gates, they never asked for a second helping and then left it; they never forgot to nod a greeting; they were immaculate.

We forgot that they were *Girl* Guides, youngsters as full of beans as of ideals, and that sometimes the beans won. So our recollections of the early days of Guide visits and camps consist mainly of jolly groups of girls, bent on having a rare old time in a good old English way, without realising any of the more profitable sort of fun that can be got out of a deliberate adventure into the unknown, such as a camp abroad ought to be.

In those days a shout of joy would rise to the smiling skies when a smell of fish and chips was wafted on the air: "Ow! It's like home!" Or during an excursion to King Richard Cœur-de-Lion's ruined stronghold at Château Gaillard, overlooking the valley of the Seine, that lies glittering between its wooded hills and small white red-roofed villages, a Ranger would rapturously declare, when asked what she preferred: "Well . . . that English bread and butter we had for tea at the hotel!"

Since then, however, there has been a very decided improvement, chiefly due no doubt to careful selection of leaders, to better preparation for camping conditions abroad, as well as to the advantage of having a resident English Guider as camp hostess on the premises, explaining away any difficulties, and helping to carry out all plans.

Rangers are also getting less insular, and we find them far more ready to understand and to appreciate, before

extolling the "home countree." They are eager to know all that can be told them about places and things, and listen intently to our camp fire stories about the girl-saints of France, Viking history, and Normandy legends.

We have noticed another considerable improvement, in tidiness of premises and cleaning. One company from Farnborough, and one from Aldershot in particular, gave us a specimen of "Guide cleaning" the like of which never was seen before, in France or in any other country.

Another impression that was frequently conveyed in the beginning of things was that Guides were free from House and Home, and Trampled on Trammels and Trouble.

But now we feel that the nice colours and general arrangement of the rooms in the *Pommier* are genuinely enjoyed and respected. The girls take pride in it, decorate it with flowers, and sometimes, on their return to England, send little "souvenirs" they have made for this or that much beloved room, as well as delightful letters. We get almost huskily sentimental when we receive these small tokens of love. They mean that the finest issues of all have been understood: co-operation, things built up together, a little bit of beauty added to the world as a homage to happy days.

Finally, Rangers have become "good mixers," and that was essential if the Guide Law of Sisterhood was to be more than a word. In former days we have known companies either jealously ignoring one another or entertaining distant icy diplomatic relationships regarding the allocation of sanitary duties or "wash up"! Now any London Ranger business girl takes a Scottish country lass or Midlands factory worker by the waist, and both hop off together, delighted to know more about one another's brave young lives. That's Guide friendship and sisterhood made real, an end at last to the "sin of separateness."

There never was any difficulty about mixing with French Guides; on the contrary, eternal friendship, based on frantic smiles and signs, and an exchanging of post-cards sprung up with utmost ease: "Wee, wee, yess, yess," an inspiring example for the League of Nations.

Have our "Argeronnettes" attained perfection and shall we expect nothing more? Our ambition for them forbids such nonchalant complacency—hence what we call *peace* in our vague, courteously insinuating way—and what you call "resolutions" in your energetic and more immediately compelling language:—

(1) That Country Dancing reach the standard of the Scottish lasses, whose nimble feet and exquisite sense of rhythm show to what artistic perfection well-taught Rangers can attain.

(2) That on excursions to Paris, for instance, souls may not be yearning exclusively for the *Printemps* and wondering when that *char-à-banc* sight-seeing will be over. East London has been known to prefer *le Musée du Louvre* to an extra hour's shopping, and this pioneer act shall be duly registered in our annals.

(3) That a wholesale exhibition of bare legs be restricted to camp precincts. That little country churches be always visited in stockings and hats, with quiet reverence, and leaving some small offering in the poor box, in an envelope marked "les Guides Anglaises." The priest and peasants will feel proud and touched by this.

(4) That Camp Fires be a little more imaginative and especially that "John Brown's Baby" be definitely and for ever drowned in its camphorated oil. Try practising two really original programmes of Camp Fires as a treat for the rather jaded Argeronne inmates and for the fun of other companies.

One thing more remains to be said, and we would like to see some able Guider take it up, or write about it in THE GUIDER:

"HOW TO PREPARE FOR A CAMP OR VISIT ABROAD."

Put aside ten minutes at every meeting for:

- (a) Showing and explaining pictures relating to the history and art of the country to be visited.
- (b) Teaching as a game, about twenty-five words, and little easy sentences used in everyday life.
- (c) Reading translations of the country's literature, grave and gay.
- (d) Making up a playlet introducing the customs of the country in the language thereof: greeting, thanking, buying stamps, etc.
- (e) Giving principal characteristics of the Guide movement in the country.
- (f) Eradicating a few popular prejudices (e.g. for France, exclusive frog and snail diet; national place of amusement, *Moulin Rouge*, women all fluff, etc.)

Hitherto, with very few exceptions, only companies of working girls have attempted these visits—bravely saving up their shillings to get this new experience, with all the awakening of wider interests which it involves. We feel that if Argeronne can mean what it does to these girls, could not such influence affect perhaps even more fruitfully the highly educated girl?

Sixth form Cadets leaving school to enter the world, and to spread fine right thinking, each according to her sphere—Guiders and young Commissioners who take to heart the great message of their movement—all these

would be precious helpers in the building of Jerusalem not only in England's green and pleasant land.

Let them band together and visit their neighbour countries in a spirit of gay conquest, bringing the best of themselves to *give*, and seeking the best in others.

This is not to be found in hotels, nor in boulevards and theatres, but among simple people living their peaceful or hardworking days in their woods and villages near their beautiful old things, with dreams in their eyes of the ever unattainable, ever golden future—a consolation less illusory perhaps as they gaze upon the shining trefoil on the neat blue uniform.

The Pack Meeting

WE all go to our pack meetings with a definite idea of what we are going to do. But do we think out the details always and connect things up? Many troubles could be avoided quite easily by filling in the gaps beforehand; an extra quarter of an hour's thought during the week is all that is needed. Every Brownie should be kept occupied the whole time; the slightest pause between two games gives time for mischief, and one activity should follow quickly after the next without any break. To make certain of this everything should be unpacked and to hand before starting, and games which require any sorting or arranging be prepared beforehand.

Brown Owl should be prepared to make sudden alterations, however. The pack may come in the wrong mood; an unexpected length of time

may be taken over something. Anything may happen!

That is just what we want the pack to feel—"Anything may happen!" This means we must work all the variety possible into our pack meetings, so that the children come full of curiosity, knowing that Brown Owl is sure to have something exciting or unexpected up her sleeve. Variety in the arrangement of games; avoiding the mistake of always inspecting or putting test work in exactly the same place every week, or of always starting with the same kind of game. Variety in the kinds of games we play in one meeting.

Then there are the variety and unexpectedness which can be worked in through make-believe and pretending. The average person of Brownie age has a tremendous capacity for this. True, there are Brownies and packs who do not appear to have any inclination that way, who even find it ridiculous! But is not that often Brown Owl's fault? She tries to force the wrong kind of pretending on to her pack, instead of finding out first what appeals to them! Each Brown Owl must discover for herself what are the kinds of make-believe that her pack enjoys. It matters not one scrap if they positively dislike fairies; quite a large number do! There are desert islands and pirates, nursery rhyme folk, animals; in fact there is endless choice! It is merely a matter of taste! But beware of letting make-believe become an end in itself. We must be on guard against this always and *never* let it become more than mere flavouring to make the real things appetising.

N. H. J.



Slow Spring

O year, grow slowly, exquisite, baby,

The days go on
With almonds showing the pink
stars blowing
And birds in the dawn.

Grow slowly, year, like a child
that is dear,

Or a lamb that is mild,
By little steps and by little skips,
Like a lamb or a child.

KATHERINE TYNAN.

We Go Wandering

"O what a glory doth this world put on,
For him who with a fervent heart goes forth,
Under the bright and glorious sky and looks!"
LONGFELLOW.

SUMMER AT THE ITALIAN LAKES.

IN pre-war days Italy was known as one of the most inexpensive countries for the foreign tourist, health-seeker or resident, and at the present time although the cost of living has increased there very considerably since 1914, more so than in this country, the present condition of the rate of exchange (formerly lire 25 to the £) largely adjusts this increase, and travel or residence in Italy is still very inexpensive for those with British funds. At all hotels, in lieu of the system of direct "tipping" to the hotel staff, a percentage averaging about 10 per cent. or 15 per cent. of the total amount of the bill is added for service. The Sojourn Tax varies from lire 15 to lire 30 for the season or year, as the case may be, or is levied on the basis of 10 per cent. of the price of the room.

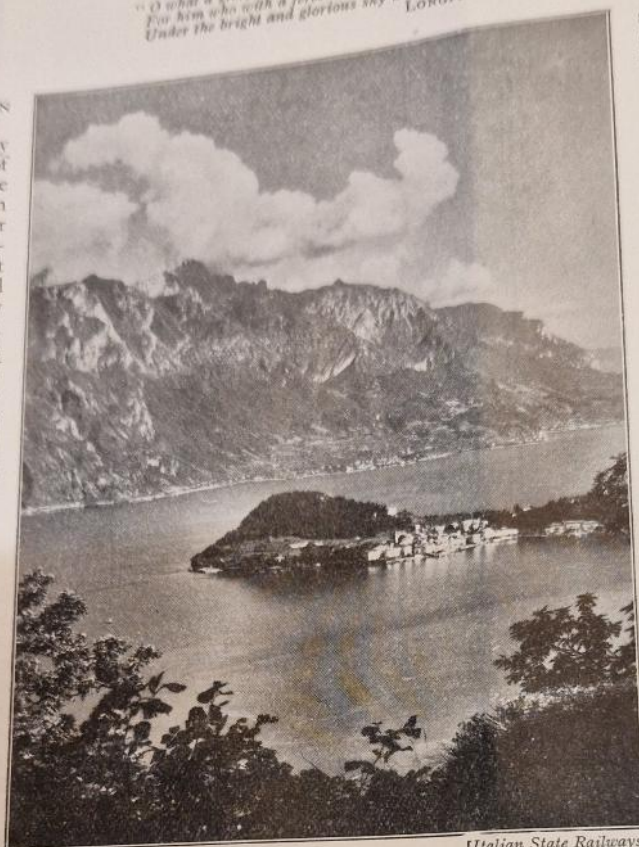
One can travel direct from London to almost any part of Northern Italy, spending only one night in the train; all night travel can, of course, be avoided by breaking the journey. A special time table folder issued by the Italian Travel Bureau (C.I.T., 16, Waterloo Place, Regent Street, S.W.1) shows very clearly all through services, and the accommodation on each train. This office can furnish all details as to tours and special fares.

It is impossible in a short paragraph even to mention the names of the countless beautiful towns and places in Italy. We will, therefore, just glance only at what are popularly known as the Italian Lakes, and Lake Como in particular.

The route suggested for Lake Como is *via* the St. Gothard; for Lake Maggiore it is possible to travel through Berne to Spiez and across to the Rhone Valley by the wonderful Lötschberg railway, and so pick up the train at Brigue and through the Simplon.

Lake Como is over thirty miles in length, and its shores twist in and out, forming a succession of bays and headlands which greatly add to its fascination. About midway, beyond Bellagio, which runs like an arm into the lake, there is a branch to the south-east known as the Lake of Lecco, which is almost twelve miles long.

On the lake, in the valleys leading from it, and on the



Photo]

Bellagio, Lake Como.

[Italian State Railways.

surrounding hills are places all of great beauty and real interest, and there are few centres that can so easily include so much in a tour.

The "season" for Como is spring, early summer, and early autumn, but midsummer, especially on the western shore, is very pleasant and not too hot. The chief places at which to stay are Tremezzo, Cadenabbia and Menaggio on the western and Bellagio and Varenna on the eastern shore. Brunate is on the hills above Como, and Civenna on the hills above Bellagio.

A first class return ticket to Cadenabbia costs £13 10s., and a second class return £10, these prices being slightly lower if the traveller crosses by Newhaven and Dieppe.

Lake Garda is further distant than Lake Maggiore and the Lake of Como, and therefore slightly less frequented by British visitors. It is not, as the other two lakes are, on the direct route leading to so many important places in Italy. In the opinion of many it

excels both in beauty. Desenzano, at its south-western extremity, is on the main Milan-Venice line, and Riva at the northern end, can be approached from the north by the Brennero-Bolzano-Trento route. The best places on the lake for a summer stay are Riva, Gardone, Malcesine and Sirmione.

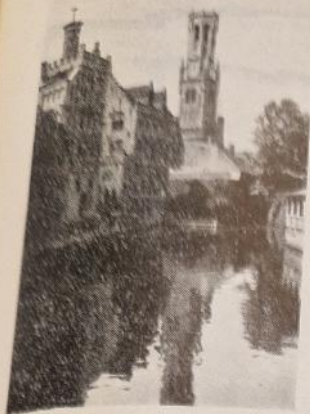
A HOLIDAY IN BELGIUM.

Bruges, the Venice of Flanders, is unequalled both as a travel centre for visiting most of the famous old towns of Belgium, and for the unsurpassed charm of her own mediæval beauty. This sleepy old-world town, with her narrow cobbled streets, mellowed walls and curious old buildings, is rich in the atmosphere and grandeur of an age long passed away. When wandering along the green shady quays, or over the delightful moss-grown bridges of her picturesque waterways, the silence is broken only by the sudden sweet medley of chimes which peal out from the famous belfry and the neighbouring spires.

Bruges will appeal to your artistic sense, as will, perhaps, no other continental town. She stands alone; even her inhabitants seem to absorb something of her quiet dignity and peace.

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The Belfry, Bruges.

Excellent tours to Bruges and all parts of Belgium, leaving London every Saturday, are organised by The Workers' Travel Association Ltd. Their advertisement will be found on page 159 of this issue, and you may book individually or they will make special arrangements for large parties at reduced rates.

A CRUISE TO NORWAY.

The great region of the fjords lies in Western Norway, which is easily accessible from England in fast and comfortable steamers. The North Sea steamers, specially built for this service, start from



Photo]

Norway.

[Norway House.

Newcastle-on-Tyne, and thus ensure the shortest crossing. The sailings for Bergen are every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, and from July 18th to August 9th, also on Fridays.

English is understood and spoken almost everywhere in Norway, which is a great advantage to the tourist. Nowhere is railway engineering more wonderful than in this rugged country, for all railways in Norway are scenic railways, and every journey offers a wonderful variety of views, and the Norwegian State Railways provide comfortable observation cars with large windows on most long distance trains.

There are numerous tours arranged by the Norwegian State Railways (Travel Bureau, Norway House, 21, Cockspur Street, S.W.1).

The inclusive prices vary from £16 16s. for a ten days' trip to Oslo, to £26 15s. for fourteen days, a tour including a visit to the wild Sogne and Hardanger fjords, and drives through the famous Fläm and Nærø valleys, and the pass from Norheimsund to Trengereid. A tour of over three weeks can be arranged for £45 8s.

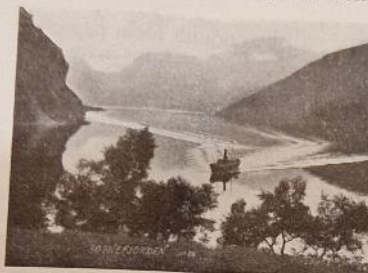
WHERE TO STAY IN BRITTANY.

Mont Saint-Michel, emerging from the waters, or towering over the sands, is the great landmark between Normandy and Brittany. The nearest Breton promontory, closing the bay opposite the Norman bluff of Granville, is the Gronin; in its shelter Cancale presents an attractive picture with its flotilla of "bisquines" and its oyster beds, in which at low tide the Cancalaise women may be seen at work with their little frilled caps. Further inland is Dol, in the old district of Saint-Malo, so popular as a sea-bathing resort. Here is the mouth of the Rance, and as far as Dinan, tourist-laden "vedettes" travel up its winding course, with Saint-Malo and Saint-Servan

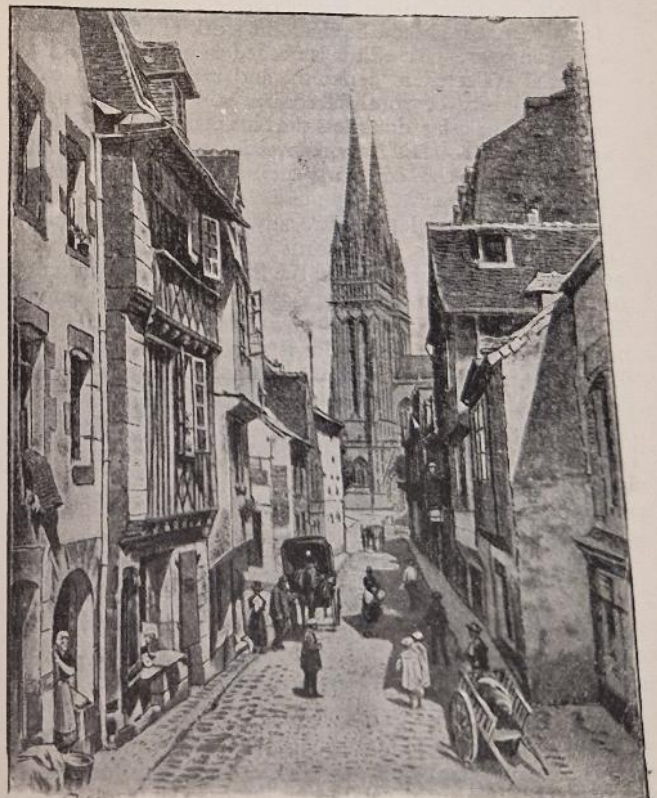
on its right bank at its mouth, and Dinard on its left bank

On the eastern side of the great bay of Saint-Brieuc is the little port Erquy, and next to this the much frequented plage of Val-André. At the head of the bay old Saint-Brieuc looks down on the little harbour of Lédgué and the western coast of the bay has also very charming seaside places at which to stay, such as Binic, with its small harbour, Etables, famous for its caves, and Pontrioux, Saint-Quay and Plouha.

Information about Brittany, route, hotels, etc., can be obtained from the French National Touring Office, 56, Haymarket, S.W.1.

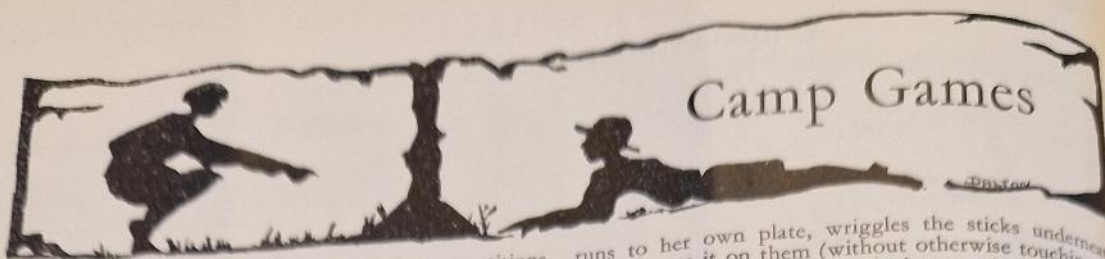


A Norwegian Fjord.



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[French National Touring Office.
Quimper, Brittany.



Camp Games

THESE are only a few suggestions for competitions and other pastimes in camp which are dependent on fine weather.

It is great fun, and also requires sharp eyes, to go **FEATHER HUNTING** in couples. You would hardly believe how many charming small feathers can be found in a morning's ramble over the countryside.

SHELTER MAKING too is a good morning's occupation—each tent making its own shelter—and if it is made early on during the time at camp, some of the makers are often very proud to use it during the rest-hour every day.

ARRANGING WILD FLOWERS. We have found that the people at the farm near by are sometimes only too pleased to lend us empty jam-pots of all sizes, and at our camp two Guides fetched them in a large clothes-basket, also lent. Each Guide went off for a good tramp with her friend or friends and brought back whatever floral decorations she liked for her particular jam-pot. After tea that day we invited the farmer's wife to come and help judge the arrangement of the wild flowers.

A **BURIED-TREASURE HUNT** is very jolly, and a really good one means that an hour at least must be spent beforehand laying the trail with some fourteen or so clues. The Guides should hunt in couples, and when everything is ready a clue should be given as to where the first real clue may be found. I remember in one hunt the last clue but one told the Guides to take a large stick each from a pile near by. These sticks had to be used a little later to pole-jump a stream, on the other side of which the treasure (a bottle of sweets) was discovered down a rabbit hole.

LONG DISTANCE MORSE SIGNALLING is excellent practice for those who have passed their Second Class, and **WOOL TRACKS** instead of paper chases make a change.

If you have a camp sports day, here are some suggestions for novel races.

MUG AND STICK RACE. Each competitor is provided with a long thin stick and three mugs (enamel!) are placed at equal distances on the ground between the start and the finish. At the whistle she has to run and pick up on her stick (without otherwise touching it) each mug in turn, and carry it to the tape, where it must be set down in an upright position.

JUGGLING RACE. Each competitor must have an enamel plate and two thin sticks, each about two feet long. The plates are placed in a row some ten yards in front of the starting line. At the whistle each Guide

runs to her own plate, wriggles the sticks underneath and balances it on them (without otherwise touching it).

PLATE THROWING. Enamel plates again to the fore! and a wide space must be left on all sides of the competitor in case she throws crooked. Each Guide in turn, coming up to the starting line, has to hurl her plate as far as she can, three tries allowed.

WELLINGTON RACE. A flat race which necessitates running a certain distance, then changing into Wellingtons and running on to the tape.

HUNT THE MATCH RACE. Have three or four piles of straw at intervals up the course and bury in them used matches. When the whistle blows each Guide has to find a match in the first pile of straw and then in every other pile, and run home with them.

Now for wet weather.

STRAW DOLL MAKING whiles away a rainy half-hour. Let straw, wool, cotton and needles be used, and it is surprising what wonderful results are obtained.

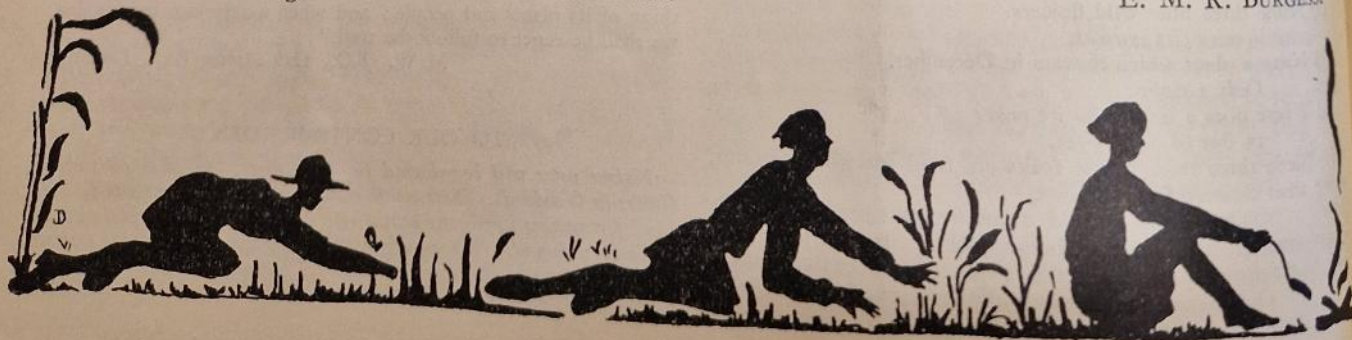
POTATO SPEARING is fun. Two opponents sit opposite each other with knees touching, and each holds a basin on her lap. From the ground each has to spear with a skewer or hatpin eight potatoes in turn, and drop them into her own basin without using anything to help the potatoes off—not even the side of the basin.

NUMBER QUESTIONS is a good round game. First of all each player writes three numbers (any she likes from 0 to 10) on three slips of paper. These are all put in a heap, and each player then draws three. She must next make up one, two or three questions, the correct answers to which are the numbers she has drawn, and she can use the numbers in any way she likes.

Suppose a Guide has drawn the numbers 2, 5 and 0. She can ask her questions: (1) How many daughters has the Chief Guide? (2) Add 3 to this number and you find the number of ribs in an umbrella. (3) How many eggs does a peacock lay? Or she could use all her numbers together, asking one question only, such as: Four times this number makes 1,000 (answer 250), or half 1,000 plus the number of the month February (answer 302). Or she could use two numbers together and one separately. Whoever answers each question first scores a point.

A **FANCY DRESS SUPPER** causes much amusement, and it is amazing where the costumes come from. I remember a snail and a tortoise, a jockey and his horse, not to mention a haystack appearing at our last!

E. M. R. BURGESS.



A Camp in Norway

"WHY not go yourself?" said the Continental Camp Adviser, when forwarding an invitation for two British Guiders to attend the National Norwegian Camp, to be held early in July at Horten, a naval station between Kristiansands and Oslo. So, when by the sound of drums, we realised that we had started on the Great Adventure.

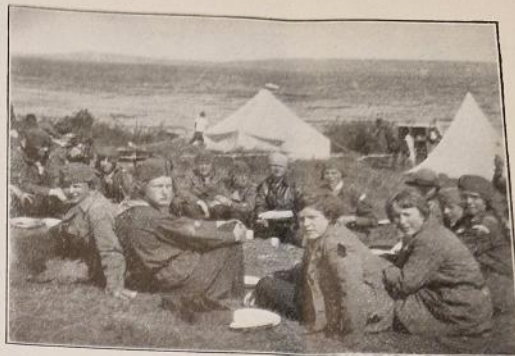
It was the first day of the great *Speideres Landslier*. Here were gathered 1,200 Guides from every part of Norway, some of them coming from the far north, taking five, six and even seven days' travelling by train and boat to get there.

The camp site ran down to the fjord, with woods and pine trees on either side, and a lovely view of sparkling blue sea, dotted with little rocky islands. Hills on the other side stretched far away into the distance. We bathed every day in this beautiful clear water, and were pleasantly surprised to find it was no colder than at home.

The camp was run very much as our English camps, being divided into about twelve county sections and forty groups, each group having its own kitchen. A central Q.M. used to issue stores every morning in a marvellously well-organised fashion. We found that the Norwegian people have fewer meals than we do, the school children not stopping work at midday, but having their chief meal about 5 p.m., when the men folk return from work. This meal, however, was generally served between 2 and 3 p.m. in camp, and was the only meal at which any cooking was done, with the exception of hot drinks.

The Guides took a great pride in decorating their own groups and many of them had made most elaborate triumphal arches, and some dug trenches (often in the shape of a triangle) round their mess tables. The sandy soil made this easy, and it certainly provided comfortable seats for meals.

For various reasons Guides in Norway are not allowed to sleep under canvas, and at Horten they were housed in three large schools, some little distance from the site. However, we were given two tiny tents, which were an ever-constant source of interest and curiosity. We



Oslo Guides in Camp.

pitched them by the fjord. The nights were wonderful; it was not dark till midnight, and the sun rose again at 2.30 a.m.

Every morning, with colours flying and drums beating, the Guides came up to camp for colours—a most impressive ceremony. On breaking everyone saluted, not as we do, but with the right arm extended and raised towards the flag. Then each section marched away to their own groups for breakfast, looking very nice in their khaki uniforms and saxe blue ties. We were very surprised to find that nearly all the Guides speak some English, for they learn it in their State schools. Some speak very well, but we missed a lot by not understanding their language.

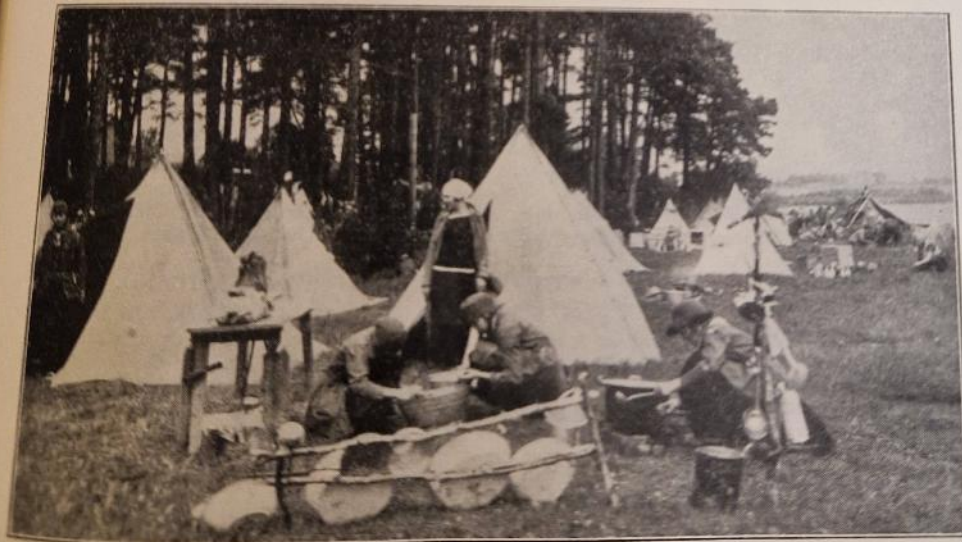
Guides are divided into two sections in Norway, the Y.W.C.A. and Blue Guides, but all hope that it will not be long before the two bodies become one joint organisation. These Guides were the Y.W.C.A. Guides, and a good deal of religious training is given both at company meetings and in camp. We found they sang our grace "For Health and Strength" in Norwegian. The singing at the Great Camp Fire was good, and they loved learning our English jingles. We were not the only foreigners in camp, there were two Austrians, and some Danish Guiders and Guides, who afterwards entertained us in Copenhagen on our way home.

The Norwegians gave us a most wonderful welcome, and it was with much reluctance that we said *Au Revoir* to our kind and generous hostesses and their beautiful country.

K. DANIELS.

"Over-head the tree-tops
meet—
Flowers and grass spring
'neath one's feet—
There was nought above me,
and nought below.
My childhood had not learned
to know!
For, what are the voices of
birds—
Ay, and of beasts—but words
—our words,
Only so much more sweet?"

ROBERT BROWNING.



Guiding in Scotland



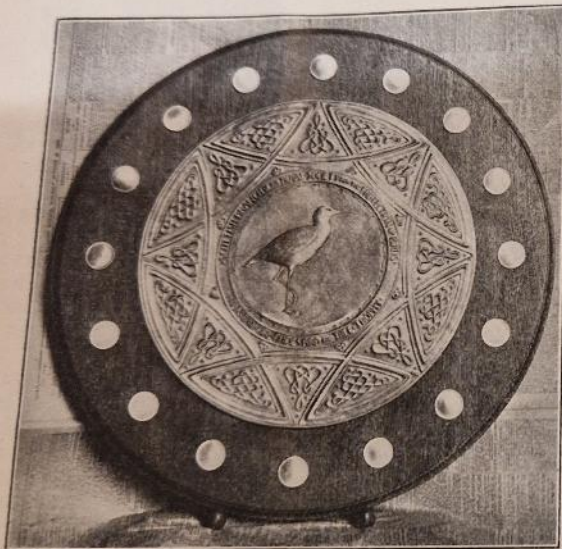
Dedication of Union Jacks of the 6th and 20th Paisley Companies at Paisley Abbey.

Chapel of Youth.

"A Chapel of Youth" in the Chambers Aisle of St. Giles' Cathedral is an excellent idea shortly to be realised. In it are to rest the colours of the four principal juvenile organisations in the city—the Girl Guides, Girls' Guildry, Boy Scouts and Boys' Brigade. It is hoped that the Chapel will be used for something more than the display of banners.

Scottish Pageant.

A country fair and historical pageant on probably bigger lines than have ever been attempted outside the big pageant at Craigmillar, Edinburgh, will take place at Westerton, Bridge of Allan, in June. It is being organised by the Stirlingshire Girl Guides in aid of the Headquarters site fund. Hundreds of performers will take part.



Shield won by the 53rd Glasgow Company, presented by Scottish Branch of the R.S.P.B.

News from Glasgow.

A Bird and Tree Shield has been presented to a Glasgow Guide company for annual competition by the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds. It is the work of Mr. Wylie Davidson, R.A.

It is understood that companies will enter in the spring for this competition, and the Guides must observe one wild bird and a tree during the spring and summer months right on to September, when they will write an essay on each, giving their own personal observations.

One of the essentials of Guiding is nature study, and the trophy, which is an exceptionally fine one, should create keen competition among the many companies in Glasgow.

Country Dancing at Arbroath.

Under the auspices of the 6th Arbroath Rangers a country dance party was held recently in the Drill Hall, Marketgate.

Over 500 Guides and Scouts were present, and an interesting programme of country dances was carried through under the direction of Miss Shanks, captain 6th Rangers, and Scoutmaster A. E. Adams to the music of Mr. Herron's orchestra.



East Lothian Camp at Cockburnspath.

At the Arbroath Musical Festival both Scouts and Guides were greatly to the fore in the Country Dance competitions, the 1st Arbroath Guides and 1st Arbroath Scouts jointly winning the first place in the open 10-14 competition. In the open Guide competition the 1st Arbroath company again came out top, and in the open over 14 entry the 33rd Angus Rangers and 2nd Angus Scouts dancing together were bracketed first with the 2nd Arbroath Guides. Arbroath Guides are to be congratulated on their evident keenness on country dancing and the high standard they reach.

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GUIDE HOWLERS FROM SCOTLAND.

Captain, to Town Guide who has chosen a "Quagga" for one animal in her Second Class essay: "Can't you write about an animal that you know well, instead of one only to be found in the Zoo?"

Next week proud Guide hands in essays on the following: cod, herring, beef, mutton, bacon and pork, remarking: "These are the only animals I know really well!"

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Guides being shown round Holyrood Palace. In Darnley's room.

Guide: "It's awfu' kind of Mr. Darnley to let us see his bedroom!"

P.L.: "But he is dead."

Guide: "Oh, A'm awfu' sorry, nobody told me that!"

Here is Fairy Gas Again



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- (1) A Paper-weaving section for children under nine on April 26th, 1929.
- (2) A Short Story section (the story is to be based on a "new-fashioned nursery rhyme" which will be sent to competitors) for children over nine and under twelve on April 26th, 1929.
- (3) An Essay section for children over twelve and under sixteen on April 26th, 1929.

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Applications for Forms

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The Lone Conference.

THE Lone Branch had a very happy and successful conference at Foxlease during the week-end of March 8th-11th. Guiders from all parts of the country were there, some having travelled quite long distances. Nearly every county was represented. The first evening was spent in settling down and getting to know one another, with an address of welcome from Miss Wolton, Guider-in-Charge, and from Mrs. Combe, Head of the Branch, and after that a sing-song.

Saturday morning opened with Colours, breakfast, and a session on Lone Rangers, taken by Miss Wootten. Lone Rangers as distinct from Lone Guides is a fruitful topic of conversation, and the conference was definitely of the opinion that Rangers do not want the ordinary Guide company letter so much as incentives to widen their outlook, and encouragement to bring high standards to their daily work. The Lone Bureau was the subject of the next session, taken by Miss Astin. The Bureau is not used as much as it might be, either as an out-going or an in-going agency, and it is greatly hoped that one result of the conference will be to enlarge its sphere. Lone Guiders are asked to send their no-longer-needed company letters, and also to urge and encourage their Guides and Rangers to send in contributions of all sorts for the Lone Page in *The Guide*.

The afternoon session was taken by Miss Crump, M.Sc., District Commissioner for Harpenden, and was a talk on sex, its problems and how to deal with the difficulties of young men and women. The speaker outlined the biological development of sex and growth of the family, and went on to mention the many healthy outlets and interests within the reach of everyone.

Miss Wootten followed with another session, this time of Lone company management, and after supper the Hon. V. Bruce spoke on camping in general, and for Lones in particular. A description and photographs of the Lone Camp at Waddow last summer was full of interest, as was also Miss Bruce's preliminary announcement of this year's Lone Camp to be held by her at Pavenham Bury, Bedfordshire, from August 9th to 19th, by kind permission of the Hon. Lady Lawson-Johnston.

Sunday morning was free, and nearly all availed themselves of the beautiful weather and the kindness of the authorities in providing a picnic luncheon, to spend some glorious hours out in the forest, returning for afternoon sessions by Miss Yetts on company letters, and Miss Blaiklock on co-operation between Lones and Posts. Miss Yetts is a fount of inspiration to experienced and inexperienced alike, while Miss Blaiklock gave a most interesting account of the way in which she has united the interests of Lones and Posts in her own county of Middlesex.

The open session, at which several knotty points were discussed, was taken by Miss Wootten. Guider's Own followed, and this brought the conference officially to an end, though there was the rest of the evening in which to talk and exchange views, to study each other's company letters, to hold a last sing-song, and finally to go to a somewhat late bed.



A Post Guide bathing.

The Suffolk Post Guide "Holiday."

AFTER raising nearly £60 for company funds by a Sale of Work and scenes from *Hiawatha*, the Suffolk Post Guides had their Guide holiday at Felixstowe last summer instead of the usual camp under canvas.

An empty house on the sea front was rented for two weeks for the seventeen resident Post Guides, whilst a few others came by the day. All the Guides slept downstairs; at first, only two wished to sleep out of doors, but finally only two slept indoors! The cooking was done in the garden so as to make it as camp-like as possible.

The Guides spent the greater part of the day on the beach. From the first, two or three were anxious to bathe, and as the weather was hot, any, who liked, were allowed to sit about in bathing dresses. Gradually one after another asked to bathe, till there was only one who might have bathed and didn't! (In some cases the doctor had not given permission.)

One Guide who used to swim as a child, but who now cannot use her legs, swam with her arms after a few days and passed her 50 yards for her 1st Class. Another learnt to swim who had never bathed before, whilst others tried and some learnt to float.

All who wished, even those who had to wear irons and use crutches put them aside and were carried into the water. The sea gave such support that the Guides did not need much holding during the swimming lessons and they were quite happy to be tumbled about by the waves, even though they could not stand up alone! There were three or four Guides in the water at a time and always a life-saver. Two Guides who bathed were also quite deaf, and one was blind.

The Guides improved in health almost beyond recognition—getting so sunburnt and lively that no one would have thought that the gay, laughing Guides being taught to swim and tumbling about in the waves were the same shy, quiet girls whose whispered replies could hardly be heard when they first joined the Post Company.

The Post Guides also had some splendid outings with other companies, and people's ardour had almost to be checked or the Post Guides would have been out every day and Guiding would simply have become a series of treats! It was a splendid holiday and had a wonderful effect upon the health and spirits of the Post Guides, who are now eagerly awaiting the next holiday or camp this summer.

Special Photographic Competition
NEXT MONTH

Tramping Gear

TO go tramping in the country does not call of necessity for much impedimenta. Providing one is suitably shod and clad it is possible to enter upon a day's walking and to enjoy it thoroughly, without even plan of route or thought of time. But the true hiker who walks in winter as well as in summer, and who needs must make the best of the time available when afternoons only or short winter days are at his disposal, will find that the best economy of his time is made by use of foresight and calculation. Carefully to plan and estimate a day or half-day trip and to use the hereinafter mentioned assistances to accurate timing of the tramping does not trammel us up with restrictions, but rather endows us with additional freedom untroubled by the worry of missing train or bus, or, inversely, wasting valuable hours kicking our heels at stations.

There is, too, a great deal of anticipatory pleasure in plotting out a tramp and in imagining oneself hitting the trail of turnpike road or bridle-path.

The first requisite is a map. A cheap paper-mounted half-inch to the mile Ordnance Survey map will serve the purpose very well, and thereon the trampler will be able to discover how rich in interesting by-roads and paths even country well known to him may be. An inch to the mile cloth-mounted map will be better if the additional expense does not prohibit it. One should use in conjunction with the map a map measurer costing about five or six shillings. With these and train or bus time tables the ramblers may calculate from bridge-head to finishing-point the exact mileage of the route to be followed in the time available. The map measurers are dialed to measure inch to the mile maps, and if the half-inch maps are used the distances indicated must be doubled.

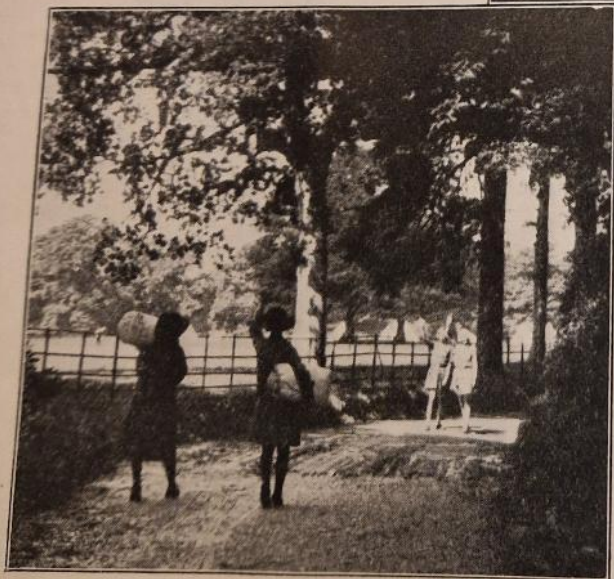
It is always wise to carry the map,

map measurer and time tables on the actual trip to be free to make calculations for alternative arrangements that may be called for during the journey.

When on the road a pedometer, to measure the distances walked, is invaluable. Costing from about twelve shillings upwards, they add an entirely new interest to hiking, and those who have once used one will never go for a day's outing without it. One pattern indexes up to twelve miles and a second type, a few shillings dearer, has a main dial for ten miles and a minor dial registering up to a hundred miles. They are operated by an impulse hammer which answers to each stride taken and actuates a rack and pinion which in turn gives the movement to the dial fingers. The hammer swings between two positive stops and an adjustment is provided for by setting one of these so that the amount of impulse transferred to the dial fingers is regulated to fit the owner's stride. Perhaps the most practical way to set the pedometer is to walk over a road with milestones and give the necessary adjustments at each stone. Once set they are quite accurate, though if the user takes shorter strides over very soft or hilly country some allowance must be made as, of course, it is the number of strides



[Photos: V. J. Riches.]



only that is dialed. Except for these abnormal places, however, the pedometer is really more accurate than milestones or signpost distances because, of course, when walking we do not stick closely to the kerbstone as the surveyor measures.

Used in conjunction with a watch, the pedometer becomes a speedometer, and at any period of the trip it is possible to see to what extent the trampler is ahead or behind his estimate of progress to be made.

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NOW about the chief all-important Matter of the Moment. I am so bursting with excitement and pleasure over it and feel that I want everybody else to be too. For years and years I have been waiting for this moment and at last it has come, and with it has come the most wonderfully encouraging response to the S O S that we sent out within our ranks for our new Headquarters.

Here at home there appears to be the fullest determination not to be left behind, and amongst the many delightful letters that have come, one seems outstanding in its naive expression of keenness.

The Guide writing in says: "What a good idea to work it all out in bricks and things, and selling bricks and windows at so much each! I have procured a stocking into which I am putting odd farthings and pennies (whenever I can get hold of any) so that I can buy one brick, or perhaps even two before they are all sold out. Then, when I am old, I can take my grandchildren to the palatial-looking building, and waving my crutch at one of the topmost bricks, which is almost—not quite—shrouded in the mist of distance, I shall quaver, 'Ah, my dear, there is MY brick!' A very impressive scene."

And then, of course, in the overseas Guide field enthusiasm is running high. Malta, being practically the smallest, was the first to respond to our call; Bombay came next with a cable that it was sending £30 for a door; and Madras is keenly interested. Canada says that she will do what she can, in spite of the great calls upon her resources in administering so large a Dominion, and the first overseas brick has already arrived from a Canadian Guide. A little company in a country village in Holland insists that though they are not British they want to be "in it," and they are sending money for five bricks. Two Guides from Gibraltar have sent a brick each, and Barbados writes that although they are hard up they all feel that everyone should do their bit towards carrying out this scheme, and that "it will be wonderful to have a home of our very own in the heart of London."

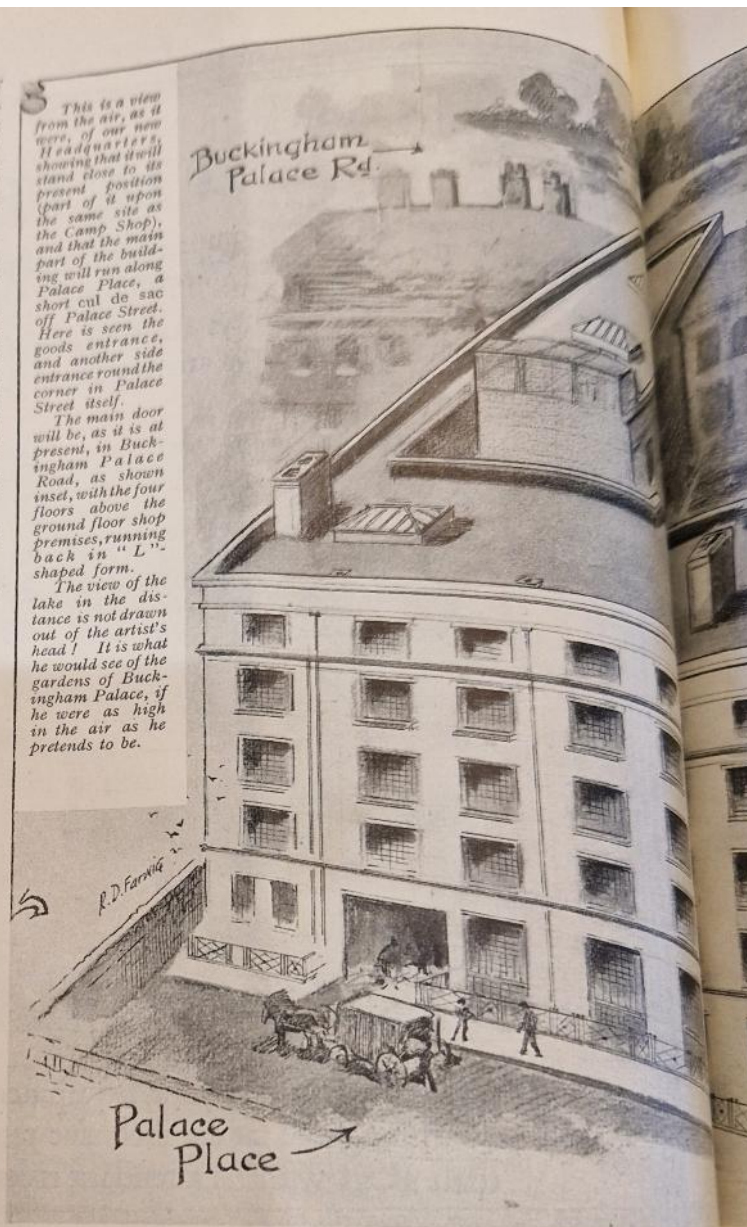
So the Imperial Branches of our Guide tree are with us in our great undertaking, and evidently nobody feels that they wish to be left out. And there will be one very precious thing contained within the House, and that is a Roll on which will be inscribed the names of all the companies and packs who have helped to build it, and the great point about this is, to my mind, that this Roll will be seen by hundreds and thousands of people for years and years to come, away in the dim future. They are not only giving now in their generosity, for in the years to come they will be gaining almost more than anybody can fully realise.

When there is adequate space in our new building the actual office work will be so much more easily carried on, and prompter response and readier access to files of previous correspondence will facilitate the efforts of the office as a whole. But it is for the actual welcoming of our many overseas visitors that the move is going to make such an immense difference and create an altogether new atmosphere. Under the present conditions, with our cramped, dingy, over-crowded, uninviting little rooms, our timid little Guider receives a chilling welcome indeed.

She has travelled from her far away Guide company, bearing a letter of introduction, and with strict injunctions

This is a view from the air, as it were, of our new Headquarters, showing that it will stand close to its present position (part of it upon the same site as the Camp Shop), and that the main part of the building will run along Palace Place, a short cut de sac off Palace Street. Here is seen the goods entrance, and another side entrance round the corner in Palace Street itself. The main door will be, as it is at present, in Buckingham Palace Road, as shown inset, with the four floors above the ground floor shop premises, running back in "L"-shaped form.

The view of the lake in the distance is not drawn out of the artist's head! It is what he would see of the gardens of Buckingham Palace, if he were as high in the air as he pretends to be.



to go and see Headquarters, and as she journeys nearer and nearer she pictures to herself what it is going to be like—this Fountainhead of all Guiding, this world-renowned office and magic source of all information and inspiration too!

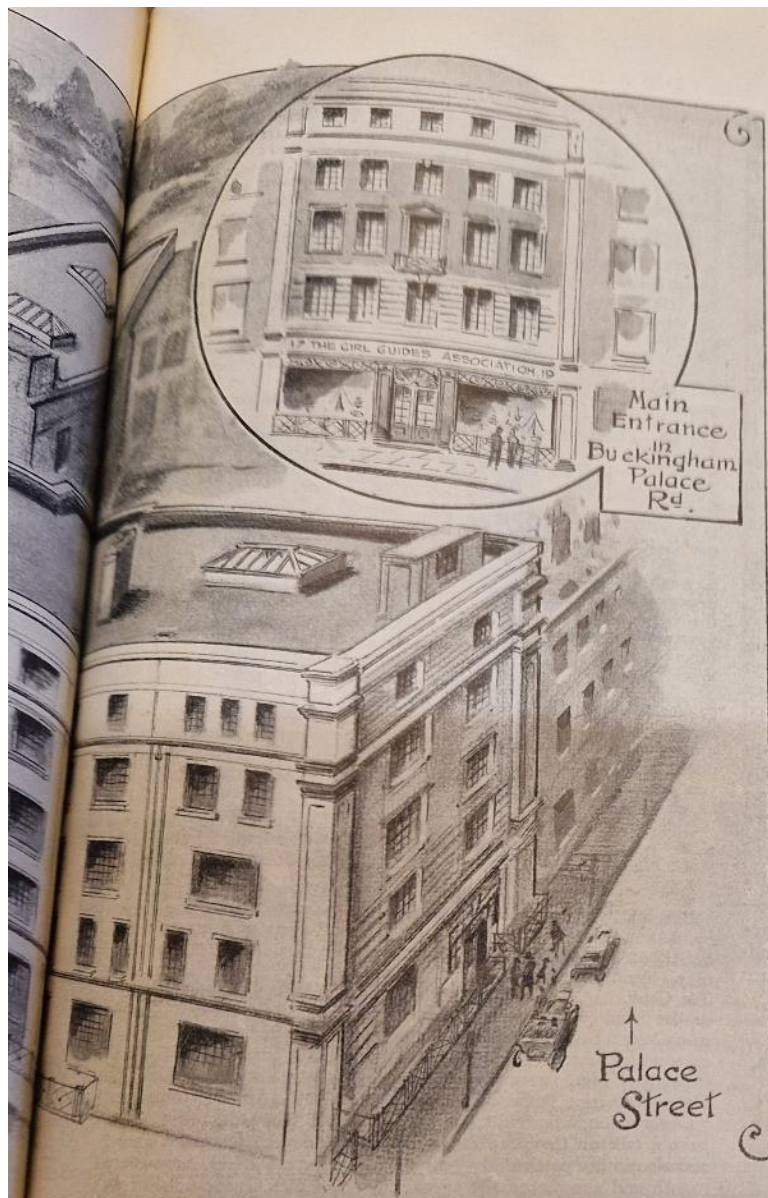
You all know what it feels like to wait for a while in a dentist's waiting-room, getting gradually more and more on edge, with a quelled cowed feeling of anxious anticipation!

Well, *that's* what happens to my precious overseas Guides and Guiders!

You arrive at 25, Buckingham Palace Road, walk in

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nervously in a lift usually filled with delightful Boy Scouts. You are pushed through a swing door into an empty bare passage, and plucking up courage you penetrate round a dark corner to "Enquiries." Politely and firmly asked your business, you are convoyed into a small dark room where possibly five or six other victims sit silently awaiting their fate!

And *this* is Guide Headquarters. Oh, how are the mighty fallen!

and are faced with notices about Boy Scouts. Men and boys bustle by, and parcels and crates are hurled through the door. You pause—contemplating flight. You ascend

Courage, happiness, and a sense of ease return as you are escorted into Miss Montgomery's room, and the overseas office, too, begins to restore you to normal once again; and subsequent visits to Foxlease, to Waddow and Sapperton, and to camps and companies and so on all gradually counteract this first chilling impression.

But it is there now, and under present conditions it is unavoidable.

But all will be well when the New House is a *fait accompli*. The first impression will be a happy one, filled with the spirit of friendliness that shines out on one's personal intercourse with fellow Guiders as we meet them, whether it be by post only, or whether we see them in their own homes in the wild stretches of the plains, the wooded tropics, the sunlit island colonies, or away in the high mountain regions.

It is certainly a big task that lies before us, but it is not much good being Guides if we are not optimists too, and I am sure that thanks to the efforts that are being made for the Building Fund it will not be long before the spirit of friendliness will be peeping out of the window and winking at our overseas visitors as they arrive gaily and with a sense of pride of possession in their own (and your own!) new Guide House.

Overseas and Hospitality.

And this leads me on to another point, to the chance that we have all got in these coming months, of making overseas Guide folk welcome amongst us, not only at Headquarters but all over the country.

Over five hundred of our fellow workers from many corners of the globe visited the Old Country last summer, and probably a far greater number will be with us this year; and I want again to ask you who are at work "in the field" to offer them of your best, and to show them a truly Guidey welcome if and when they may land in your midst in town or country.

We who live in Great Britain owe it to them as fellow citizens of our Empire, don't we; but we who are in the movement in the Empire's heart owe it to them doubly as sister Guides.

As often as not many of our Guide visitors are coming almost as strangers, never having been to England before. Imagine what it must be like to see at last places and buildings that have only been known through books and pictures.

Others come here as experienced Guides, but anxious to learn still more and to gain further inspiration from the work that is going on here; and think what it may mean to them to have your ready help and friendly welcome.

So I do ask that we may have all the help that Divisions and Districts, companies and individuals (especially individuals) can give us in carrying out to the full our doctrine of friendliness and open-heartedness.

We who carry on Guiding also here at home can gain so much for our girls through meeting with those who come from far afield. These visitors bring to our Guides a new vision of the bigness of our sisterhood, which in itself is an inspiration; but they also open their eyes to the bigness of their Empire and their responsibility towards it.

Transfers.

May I remind Guiders of all grades of a big responsibility that rests on their shoulders in yet another respect, and that is with regard to Guides and Rangers moving about within our ranks.

A girl who leaves her company merely to go to another part of Great Britain deserves our consideration in the shape of a "Transfer Form," and if possible a personal letter of introduction to the Commissioner into whose area she may be moving. Such a helpful act is such a small and easy thing here, and with our wonderfully happy "family" feeling throughout Great Britain, Commissioners can so easily get to know each other and correspond as fellow workers about the individual Guide who may be moving on.

Migration.

But the really serious matter is that of the Guide or Ranger who, feeling the call to go far afield to greater opportunities, decides to migrate to Greater Britain, and who will possibly have a difficult time and need every bit of help that our sisterhood can give her.

I may be to blame—but I hope I am not—but it is only right to mention a serious leakage that has been going on in this respect, and I feel that it should be widely known that numbers of ex-Guides and ex-Rangers are from day to day going off overseas without anybody lifting a finger to put them in touch with the movement in the land of their adoption.

A small amount of pressure is now being put upon this leak! As often as possible a Secretary from Headquarters attends the "sending-off parties" at Australia House that are given to the migrants. There, as many as seven a time have been found who want to be linked up with Guiding again when they get to their destination and their names are taken and sent out, so that they be welcomed and to a certain extent be helped and looked after on their arrival.

But I feel that this method is only what one might term "patching up," and that if every Guider who really cared about the welfare of her Guides who are leaving her would simply just give them this further service, we shall find our work more far reaching even than it is at present.

It is easy enough. In the case of a "home move" a Transfer Form and a personal letter to a Commissioner is all that is required; and, in the case of the far bigger "move," a letter *giving details* addressed to me at Headquarters may perhaps be a more than valuable good turn and have far-reaching effects in many ways.

Olave Baden Powell

Chief Guide.

The Building Appeal Fund

HEADQUARTERS has received a number of inquiries as to methods of sending in contributions, and the following information is therefore given:—

- (1) Counties may arrange for all contributions to go through their own treasurer, OR
- (2) Divisions or Districts may send direct to Headquarters, OR
- (3) Companies, packs and individuals may send direct to Headquarters.

In any case *all* money received is entered up under the separate counties. There is no "latest date" for sending in, it is left to the companies to do so when they can. Commissioners may send in the money to Headquarters by instalments. Specially illustrated receipt books will be issued to County Secretaries if they wish to issue receipts themselves. This will ensure that no one is kept waiting for a receipt.

The coloured certificates for companies and packs will be issued by Headquarters only. These are not in the form of a receipt, but are merely for decorative purposes and to commemorate the company's or pack's share in building The Guide House. The

certificate will be given to every company and pack which contributes, whether a few bricks or whether a door or anything else. A receipt is issued for every donation and packs may find they are able to give more than one donation. Headquarters has received a number of letters which say "here is just a small first instalment, we hope we may save or make money later on during the year to buy more bricks."

The Guide Broadcast

THE Guide Broadcast is alas! to be given up. It has been decided that children as a whole do not listen at 6.30 on Mondays, and that the weekly quarter of an hour which the B.B.C. are good enough to devote to organisations such as ours must be tuned to catch the ear of the adult.

But a good many Guides and Brownies have listened-in, to judge by the hundreds of letters they have written answering the questions, playing the games, and giving opinions when invited to do so; they have evidently enjoyed it all, and we should like to thank the people who have been so kind in "talking" to them.

No one who has not faced the microphone knows what courage it takes! The building has an atmosphere all its own. Silence with a capital "S" shrouds the carpeted corridors. You are led to a hushed room, swathed, ceiling and all, in curtains. There you sit at an ordinary enough writing-table and they tell you to visualise one Guide to whom you wish to chat. You try. You conjure up a picture of one of these hearty people with round face all a-grin such as you see in photographs, and you endeavour to feel "matey" towards her. Then your eye falls on the two nicely framed notices that stand on either side of your table: "If you cough or rustle that stand on either side of your table," says one. And the other: "When the Red Light shows the whole world can hear you." Whereupon your Guide "mixes in" to a myriad-eared female demon. The mellifluous voices of the delightful people who rehearse and generally fortify you, fade away, leaving you dreadfully alone, you and your voice, which at once grows husky. The clock (a clock that knows its own importance) ticks along its enormous second hand; with an Edgar Wallace pang you observe that the lights begin to twitch, to change colour, to incarnadine . . . the Red Light shows. . . .

And next morning you perhaps get this:—

"DEAR GREAT BROWN OWL,—This is just a letter to tell you your voice was very indistinct. . . . I had to do a lot of thinking. —Your loving, SPRITE."

But Mrs. Cowan Douglas topped our list with something like 700 letters from her Brownies, telling her all sorts of things about herself and themselves, and all ending with a variation of "Do talk to us again. I am your loving Brownie. . . ." Miss Lewis, of *The Guide*, had two competitions that each brought her over 300 replies; and Miss Erskine's most original game brought her a great many letters from all kinds of people, amongst others a wonderfully correct and marvellously heard solution from a company of Guides in Malta. Mrs. Fryer played games with her Extension Guides; Dame Katharine Furse, Miss Maynard and Miss Warren talked on "Observation," Second Class and Camping Abroad. Miss Keith gave a talk on Campfire Singing with some very favourite songs, and also in her particularly "alive" voice gave us H.Q. news every month and announced the speaker. The Chief Guide finished up the year with a flourish by giving us a Christmas treat of a splendid yarn about the growth of the movement all over the world, and in March told us about her tour with the Chief Scout, ending with some remarks about the building of our new Headquarters that must have brought a shower of bricks, or even windows and doors and chimneys, on her head.

Our best thanks are due to the B.B.C. for giving us this opportunity. K. STREATFIELD.

OUR FRIENDS TO ANIMALS.

MISTRESS (*taking grammar lesson*): "Now, children, 'The small boy killed the sparrow.' What case is 'sparrow'?"

SMALL GUIDE: "Objective case."

MISTRESS: "Why?"

SMALL GUIDE: "Because the sparrow objected to being killed."

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From The Editor's Post-Bag



GUIDE LOAN MUSEUM

To the Editor.

DEAR EDITOR,—The Ulster Scouts and Guides are planning a combined Rally for the visit of the Chief Scout and Chief Guide to Belfast on June 8th. One of the sections is to be a "Museum and Novelty Show" and I am in charge of the Guide part. I shall be so glad to receive on loan museum pieces and Guide antiquities of all sorts, and promise to take every care of things sent. Original uniform and literature, photographs or Press pictures of noteworthy and bygone Guide events, interesting collections and Woodcraft studies would all be acceptable. To avoid duplication, may I have offers first? I shall receive them all most gratefully.—Yours, etc.,

(Mrs.) ELIZABETH F. PATRICK,
County Commissioner.

Dunedin,
Glarryford,
Co. Antrim.

VACANCIES FOR A VISIT ABROAD.

To the Editor.

DEAR EDITOR,—In response to Miss Comber's appeal in THE GUIDER, I am writing to tell you there are still a few vacancies for Rangers and Guiders in the party we are making up to go to Pratognan in the French Alps, 4,600 ft. up, on June 15th. The cost will be £10, which includes the return fare and class, and board and lodging for 15 days, but not teas, excursions or personal expenses.

We shall be driving up in an "auto-bus" the seventeen miles from Montiers, the nearest station. When arrived, we expect to be within easy reach of glaciers. Apart from walks and hikes, and peaceful days in Alpine flower meadows in the neighbourhood, it may be possible to do a real mountain walk over into Italy, sleeping in a hut on the way.—Yours, etc.,

B. D'AVIGDOR,
Ranger Pilot.

4, Pelham Crescent,
S.W.7.

THE FOLK DANCER BADGE.

To the Editor.

DEAR EDITOR,—I have recently met several Guiders who have been rather discouraged by the high standard set for the Folk Dancer badge. They felt that their Guides can never attain to it except by years of hard work, but I am sure that this is not the case.

The badge, and also the E.F.D.S. Elementary Country Dance Certificate, is within reach of anyone who has good style, and shows an appreciation of the music—as regards phrasing and continuity of the figures—and who knows her dances. It is perhaps harder for an older person to reach the standard required, but for a Guide it should be an easier thing and take a shorter time altogether. If the Guide has spring coming in the right way, and a feeling for music in her dancing, nothing should stop her getting her badge.

It is quite possible that a good teacher, though she might not get the badge herself, can help and advise others to whom dance comes more naturally. I have come across several instances of the kind myself.

I am sure that all those who love country dancing for its own sake will agree that under the present conditions it is a badge worth getting, as it is out of reach of the badge hunter, and within reach of the keen dancer.—Yours, etc.,

L. N. DIGGES LA TOUCHE,
Guide Country Dance Instructor.

IMPERIAL CAMP PHOTOGRAPHS.

To the Editor.

DEAR EDITOR,—I wonder whether you would be so kind as to publish the following? "Will the Guider who has the book of snapshots of the Scotland Group Imperial Camp, 1928, please return it at once to Miss Guggisberg, Yateley Hall, Yateley, Hants. She has heard or seen nothing of the above book for five months, and there are several people waiting for the book."—Yours, etc.,

NANCY GUGGISBERG.

THANKS.

To the Editor.

DEAR EDITOR,—I should like to thank all those who so kindly sent parcels of uniform for the Guides and Brownies of my district. There are a few to whom I was unable to write personally as no address was enclosed, amongst others the Compton Brownies, who wrote such a nice letter, but did not give sufficient address for my answer to reach them.

We are most grateful for all the splendid parcels and good wishes.—
(Mrs.) VERA M. MURRAY,
District Commissioner.

East Villa, Dudley,
Northumberland.

GUIDERS WANTED.

To the Editor.

DEAR EDITOR,—Could you possibly help us to get a Guider for the 1st Victoria Park company, Christ Church Mission, Old Ford Road? This is one of the poorest districts in the East End of London. Our company was registered in 1913 and is one of the oldest companies in the East End. We had to close down the company for the want of a Guider. We have many girls who are very keen on Guiding. Can you help us? Our meetings are held on Tuesdays, from 8 to 9.30.—Yours, etc.,

J. KERSHAW,
Curate-in-Charge, Christ Church, Old Ford.

335, Victoria Park Road,
E.9.

To the Editor.

DEAR EDITOR,—May I, through your correspondence column, ask if there is an experienced Guider who would be willing to run a Guide company in a mentally deficient school in Catford? The meetings must be held not later than 4.15 p.m. (3.45 p.m. if possible) on any day most convenient to the captain (Saturdays excepted).

The headmistress or one of the staff will always be on the school premises, but she is most anxious to have an outside captain, who can bring in a "normal" atmosphere to the children.

I should be very grateful if any Guider who would like further particulars would communicate with me as soon as possible.—
Yours, etc.,

J. BOWLER,

District Commissioner, Catford.

59, Lewisham Park, S.E.13.

STOCKINGS.

To the Editor.

DEAR EDITOR,—The 1st A Hull Rangers wish to thank all who have kindly sent parcels of old stockings and clothing for renovation. They fear, however, that if the influx continues at this rate, they will be altogether swamped. Perhaps when spring cleaning is over the postman will have a rest. If not, nine willing but rather weary Rangers will disappear under piles of old stockings. They have, since the beginning of February, handled some 2,000 pairs, and there now remain something under 200 pairs to deal with—at least there did until the parcels began to come in again. So they feel there is no disgrace in appealing. Please, please don't send us any more stockings!—Yours, etc.,

E. MITCHELL.

GRAMOPHONE RECORDS.

To the Editor.

DEAR EDITOR,—May I appeal through THE GUIDER for old gramophone records of Country Dances. We should be glad of any, either English, Scottish or foreign. We have been given Scratched ones would not be sniffed at, and we would willingly pay postage and something for the records.—Yours, etc.,

Milstead,
Sittingbourne,
Kent.

C. S. JULIAN,
Captain, 1st Frimstead.

Headquarters' Training Schools

"Forsooth, Brothers, fellowship is heaven, and lack of fellowship is hell: fellowship is life, and lack of fellowship is death: and the dead that ye do upon the earth, it is for fellowship's sake that ye do them, and the life that is in it, that shall live on for ever and ever."—WILLIAM MORRIS.

FOXLEASE

Owing to the enormous demand for Training at Foxlease, Guiders who have booked places are asked to notify the Guider-in-Charge as soon as they know themselves if they find that they are unable to come. Lately, many Guiders on the Waiting List have been deprived of coming owing to the late hour at which cancellations have been received, consequently the Training Weeks have not been full.

DATES.

- May 6-10. Commissioners.
- May 17-24. General Training. Entries closed.
- May 28-June 4. Brownie Training.
- June 7-14. General Training.
- June 18-25. General Training.
- July 2-9. Ranger Training.
- July 12-19. Brownie Training.
- July 23-30. General Training.

FOR THE FOLLOWING DATES NO GENERAL APPLICATIONS WILL BE TAKEN UNTIL MAY 10TH. COUNTY SECRETARIES MAY APPLY FOR SPECIAL VACANCIES BETWEEN MAY 1ST AND 10TH. SUCH VACANCIES WILL ONLY BE KEPT PROVIDED THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ENTRANTS AND THE USUAL 5s. DEPOSIT ARE SENT WITH THE APPLICATIONS.

- August 2-9. General Training.
- August 13-20. General Training.
- August 23-30. General Training.

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Note.—Any Guider having already attended a Training Course at Foxlease and wishing to apply again is asked to state that she has been before and to apply to be entered on the waiting list only, in order that preference may be given to Guiders who have never been.

It has been arranged that three vacancies should be reserved for Scotland for all General Training weeks until the 20th of the month in which the dates are first published. Scottish Guiders are therefore requested to send in their applications, including the 5s. deposit, to the Secretary, Girl Guide Headquarters, 12, Melville Street, Edinburgh.

Guiders are asked to note that when a training week is marked closed it is no longer possible to consider applications, even when Guiders are willing to sleep out. The Guider-in-Charge cannot undertake to train more than a certain number of Guiders, so the main factor is not really accommodation but numbers.

This does not apply to Overseas Guiders, for whom special vacancies, within limits, are kept.

FOXLEASE COTTAGES.

The two cottages at Foxlease are to be let by the week to Guiders requiring a rest or a holiday. The larger one contains two double bedrooms and one single, a sitting-room furnished by Canada, a bathroom and a kitchen. The "Link" which is the bungalow furnished by America, contains three bedrooms, a sitting-room, a bathroom and a kitchen. The charge for the whole cottage is £3 3s. per week for five or less persons, or 15s. each for Guiders wishing to come alone or with a friend, when only one or two rooms are required. In the latter case an extra charge of 5s. will be made for the use of the

sitting-room. The charge for the whole "Link" is £2 2s. per week for three or less persons, or 15s. for a Guider alone. These charges include light and coal. Guiders cater and cook for themselves entirely. If they wish it the gardener's wife is willing to board them at the rate of 28s. to 30s. per head, in addition to the above charges. A charge of 5s. deposit fee is made for booking the cottages. Guiders wishing to bring their cars can garage them at Foxlease by arrangement at a charge of 5s. per week or 1s. per night. It is not necessary for Guiders staying at the cottage and "Link" to wear uniform.

Any applications or inquiries to be sent to the Secretary.

CAMP SITES, 1929.

Applications for Camp Sites for 1929 should be accompanied by a deposit of 5s. Particulars of charges for sites and the hire of equipment will be sent on request.

PRESENTS.

Cane Stools, Leicestershire County; Leather Blotter, Miss Watson; Donation, £10, Herefordshire County; "British Trees," Anonymous; Clothes Brush and Maximum and Minimum Thermometer, Miss Perryman and Miss Preston; "The New Forest Beautiful," Miss Onn and Miss Allen; Camp Bed, Anonymous.

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WADDOW HALL

DATES.

- May 3-6. Commissioner and General Training.
- May 8-15. Extension Conference.
- May 17-24. General Training.
- May 28-June 1. CANCELLED (owing to General Election).
- June 4-11. General Training.
- June 14-21. Brownie Training.
- June 28-July 5. General Training.
- July 9-16. General Training.
- July 19-22. Ranger Training.
- July 26-29. General Training.
- August 2-9. General Training.
- August 13-20. General Training.
- August 23-30. General Training.

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APPLICATIONS.

Applications for a Training Course to be made to the Secretary, Waddow Hall, Clitheroe, Lancs, and must be accompanied by a deposit of 5s. and name and address of applicant, which will only be returned if withdrawal is made two full weeks before the date of Course.

No applications for any course will be dealt with until an official notice has appeared in THE GUIDER.

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PRESENTS.

Salt Cellars, Leeds Division A; Picture, Miss Lutener; Spruce Trees, A Kingfisher; Camp Equipment, 8th Burnley Rangers. Axes, Kingfisher Patrol; Bedroom Jugs, Heron Patrol; Blackboard and Maps, Plover Patrol; Scandinavian Songs and Hymnal, Curlew Patrol (all Easter, 1929). Bowl, Miss Saunders; Books, Mrs. Starkie.



ARTICLES AND REPORTS, PHOTOGRAPHS AND DRAWINGS for insertion in THE GUIDER, LETTERS TO THE EDITOR and BOOKS FOR REVIEW, should be sent, if possible, by the 10th of the previous month to the Editor, Girl Guide Imperial Headquarters, 25, Buckingham Palace Road, London, S.W.1.

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MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL

Held on 16th April, 1929.

PRESENT:—

Dame Helen Gwynne-Vaughan, D.B.E. (Chair).
Lady Baden-Powell.
Mrs. Birley.
Mrs. Houston Craufurd.
Mr. P. W. Everett.
Miss Hanbury Williams.
Miss V. Sygne.

The resignations of Miss C. Pasmore, Assistant Head of Training, and Miss N. Chance, Assistant Head of Rangers, were received with regret.

Members of the Committees and Sub-Committees of the Executive for the ensuing year were appointed.

The Constitution of the Girl Guides for New South Wales was signed and sealed with the Association's seal.

It was agreed that in future when organised parties of Girl Guides or Guiders camp in or visit foreign countries, the countries concerned be informed by the Continental Camp Adviser.

The following camping rule for the deaf was approved:—

"In a camp for the deaf there must be at least two hearing Guiders. If the number of Guiders in camp exceeds 20 there must be at least one hearing Guider to every 10 Guiders."

Invitations for British Guiders to attend camps in France and Norway were received.

It was decided to publish a revised pamphlet on the making of Standards.

Recommendations from the Training and Camping and the Building Appeal Committees were submitted and approved.

Routine and financial business was transacted.

The date of the next Committee was fixed for Tuesday, May 14th, at 2.30 p.m.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES AND SUB-COMMITTEES

TRAINING AND CAMPING COMMITTEE.

Ex-officio Members.

Miss M. Bray (Head of Training).
Miss R. Ward (Head of Brownie Training).
Miss Lee Baker (Head of Camping).

Elected Members.

Mrs. Houston Craufurd. Miss C. Warren.
Dame Katharine Furse. Miss J. Wolton.
Miss A. Maynard. Miss V. Sygne.
Miss V. Erskine. The Hon. Mrs. Walter Roch.
Miss A. Shepherd.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Ex-officio Members.

The Lady Delia Peel (Chief Commissioner).
Mrs. Combe (Head of Lones).
Mrs. Thomson (Great Brown Owl).
Mrs. Fryer (Head of Extension Branch).
Miss A. Judson (Head of Guiding in Schools and Colleges).
Mrs. Crichton Miller (Head of Auxiliary Branch).
Miss Bond (Head of Rangers).
Miss J. Wolton (Representative of Training and Camping Committee).

Elected Members.

Miss Lawson-Johnston.
Miss Manning.

SCHOOLS AND CADET COMPANIES SUB-COMMITTEE.

Ex-officio Members.

Miss Judson (Head of Guiding in Schools and Colleges).
Miss Burstall (Liaison Commissioner).
Miss Bond (Head of Rangers).
Miss Stoneman (Representative of Headmistresses' Association).

A Representative of the Association of Headmistresses of Recognised Private Schools.

Elected Members.

Dr. Jane Reaney. Miss Antony.
Miss Simmons. Mrs. Percy Birley.
Miss Hennings. Miss Bewley.
Miss Hall. Miss Hanbury Williams.
Miss M. C. Royden. The Lady Mildred Fitzgerald.

EXTENSION ADVISORY SUB-COMMITTEE.

Ex-officio Members.

Mrs. Fryer (Head of Extension Branch, Scotland).
Mrs. Hood (Head of Extension Branch, Scotland).
Sir Montagu Burrows (Boy Scout Commissioner for Special Tests).

Elected Members.

Mrs. Bowlby. Dr. Littlejohn.
Mrs. Strover. Miss Viney.
Miss Marten. Miss Welsford.
Miss Allan. Miss Sanders.
Miss Bessemer. Miss Verrall.
Miss Henderson. The Hon. Mrs. Charles Tufton.

AWARDS

Medal of Merit.

Miss Jamieson, District Commissioner, Upper Irvine Valley, Ayrshire.
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Miss M. Aspinall of Sydney, New South Wales.
Miss M. Ritchie of Edinburgh.
Miss B. Meikle of Glasgow.

Red Cord Diploma.

Miss W. Lander, Blue Cord Guider of Lanarkshire, Scotland.

Blue Cord Diploma.

Miss G. Watts of Norfolk.

Gold Lanyard.

Miss M. A. Butler, Captain, 2nd Castleford.

Gold Cords.

Ranger Patrol Leader Mollie Stephenson, 2nd Hull (Y.M.C.A.) Company.
Patrol Leader Doreen Kirker, 3rd Bangor, Ulster.
Patrol Leader Peggy Dixon, 2nd Sudbury.
Patrol Leader Zoe Wood, 2nd Sudbury.
Guide Rosemary Garton, 8th Leamington.

HEADQUARTERS' NOTICES

GUIDE UNIFORM.

THE attention of Guiders is drawn to the fact that Headquarters is continuing to stock the old pattern Guide uniforms as well as the new design. Either pattern is official.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

A REQUEST was made last month for a Guider to go out to Western Australia. This job has now been filled, and no more applications can be considered.

THE EXTENSION BRANCH.

A RUBBER bed and wooden book-rest have very kindly been offered to any Ranger or Guide who is in need of one. Applications should be made to Mrs. Fryer, Chadsholme, Harpenden, Herts, giving full particulars.

TO GUIDERS IN SCHOOLS AND OTHERS.

THE report of the Conference of Headmistresses and Commissioners held in January, 1929, is now in print and on sale at Headquarters for one shilling. This little pamphlet, which is a verbatim report, contains the message from the Chief Scout given by the Chief Guide in her characteristically charming opening address.

There are also most amusing and interesting speeches by the headmistresses of Clifton High School, Roedean School, the Park School, Preston, as well as by Mrs. Mark Kerr, Miss S. A. Burstall, Dame Helen Gwynne-Vaughan and Dame Katharine Purse.

Will Commissioners and County Secretaries please see that any headmistress they wish to interest in Guiding has a copy, and all Guiders in schools are advised to persuade their headmistresses to get one, and when she has finished with it to present it to the staff room.

ALICE JUDSON,
Head of Guiding in Schools and Colleges.

HOSPITALITY.

As Chairman of the Hospitality Committee, I should like to call the attention of Commissioners and Guiders to page 172, where they will find a list of French and other foreign Guiders anxious to come to English families "au pair" or for a small charge for board and lodging. It is a compliment to our country that they should wish to become acquainted with us, and to learn our language—and one of the most practical ways in which Guiders can promote international friendship is to receive these Guide comrades into their own homes. Think, too, what a heaven-sent opportunity of learning French! Answers to advertisements should be sent to me.

ROSE KERR,
International Commissioner.

19, Draycott Avenue, S.W.3.

CAMP ADVISERS, 1929

RESIGNATION.

HEREFORDSHIRE.—C.A., Hemel Hempstead, The Lady Marjorie Dalrymple. (Forms to be sent to the C.C.A.)

RESULT OF THE COMPETITION

"WHAT THE DONKEY SAW"

THERE were numerous entries for this competition, but none seemed visited with the divine spark of wit and humour, nor was the actual verse submitted of a high standard.

The prize goes to Miss M. HYDE, Captain of the 2nd Derby Guides, who sends in a mournful yet philosophic little poem beginning:—

"I surely am not hard to please,
I only ask for rest . . ."

and who, though she cannot refrain (like nine out of ten of the other competitors) from rhyming "whistles" with "thistles" does perhaps get a certain atmosphere in her lines reminiscent of donkeys, patient resignation, and a Guide camp.

We regret that owing to lack of space this month we cannot print the verses in full.

The second prize goes to Miss E. M. LINTON SCOTT, Brown Owl, of Scotby, Cumberland; Miss I. POULTON, Captain, 1st Kenton Company, receives an honourable mention.

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RULES.

(1) All envelopes must be marked "Competition" and addressed to the Editor, THE GUIDER, 25, Buckingham Palace Road, London, S.W.1.

(2) Entries must be accompanied by the competition coupon to be found on page 172. Also by the name and address and Guide rank (if held) of the competitor.

(3) Entries must reach the Editor not later than by the first post on Friday, May 17th. The results will be announced in the June number.

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April, 1929.

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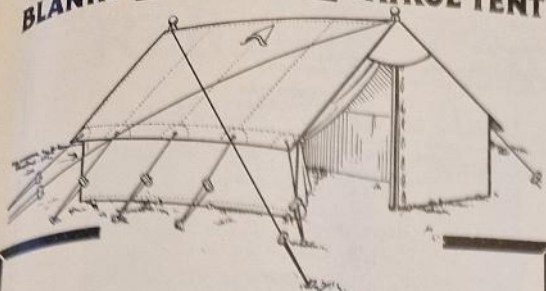
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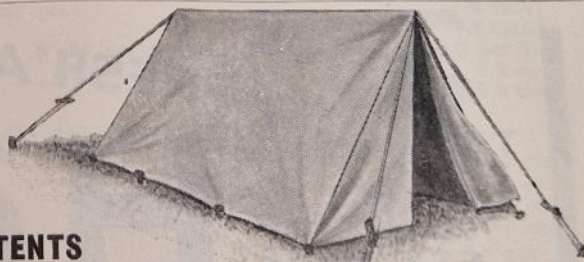
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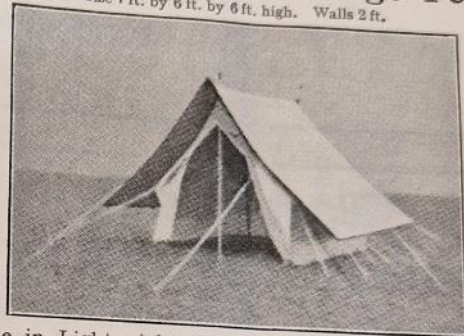


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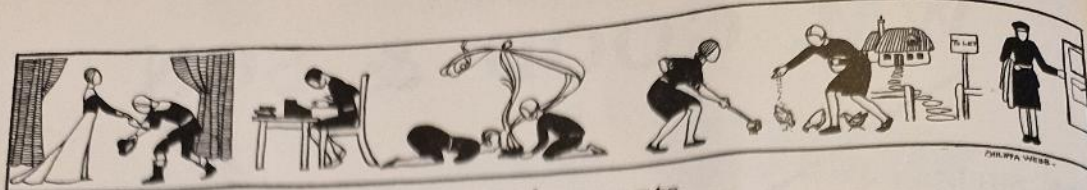
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Life Saver (bronze medallist) required for small Ranger camp in Devon; August 17th to 31st; expenses paid. Box No. 651, c/o THE GUIDER.
Company, with Licensed Guider, camping first week August, Kent, would like another to join. Box No. 648, c/o THE GUIDER.
Licensed Guider, trained nurse, Offers Services as camp nurse; anywhere England; August 10th to September 15th; expenses only. Box No. 649, c/o THE GUIDER.
Licensed Camper Wanted, August Bank Holiday week; expenses paid; approximately 25 camping; not seaside camp. 50, Colebrook Row, N.1.
Life Saver Wanted, company camping Heacham, Norfolk, August 3rd to 17th. Apply Blundell, Welford, nr. Rugby.
Company, camping Lymington, July 24th to 31st, would like another to join them, bringing Q. M. if possible. Cowper, 85, Richmond Road, Barnsbury.
Will any Company Camping South Coast, August, let company of 20 Guides, 2 Guiders (unlicensed) join them. Box No. 644, c/o THE GUIDER.
Rangers, with Captain, wish to join others (with licence) camp, July 25th to August 1st, Southern Counties. Holmwood, Hayling Island, Hants.
Camp Site, Ferring, Worthing, to let July, August. Large barn; good sea bathing. Apply Mrs. Child, District Commissioner, Rivermead, Horsham, Sussex.
Ideal Camping Ground, near sea; town 2 miles; spring water; sea water baths. Thomas, Tymawr Farm, Talybont, Bangor, North Wales.

CAMP EQUIPMENT FOR HIRE.

Camp Equipment at Half Usual Prices. Miss Tennant, Rolvenden, Kent.

EMPLOYMENT OFFERED.

Applications are invited for the Post of Recreation Supervisor (female) at Darent Training Colony, Dartford, Kent. Salary £180 per annum, rising by increments of £10 to £200. Hours according to the requirements of the service. The officer appointed will act under the direction of the matron, and will be required to give instruction in drill and games to adult female patients, and also to teach simple handicrafts. Applications to be addressed to the Matron at the Colony.
Housemaid Wanted, single-handed (Ranger preferred). Apply Box No. 657, c/o THE GUIDER.

HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION OFFERED.

Valetta, Walton-by-Clevedon, Somerset. Guiders' Rest from Easter Holidays to October. Terms 21s. weekly (cubicles) to members; shared rooms, 25/-, single, 30/-.
Penrhyn Bungalow, 28 single beds, ideal for camping; on sea front. Apply H. Peacock, Estate Office, Fairbourne, N. Wales.

HOSPITALITY.

The Hospitality Committee would like to call attention to the following applications from our French friends. It will be remembered that the "Eclaircissements" are for the most part Protestant, the "Guides de France" Catholic.

Two French Sisters, of whom one is an Eclaircissement Captain, wish to come to England for August, September and October, if possible to two families living in the same neighbourhood (South of England preferred). They would pay a small "pension" and would talk or teach French.

French Eclaircissement, aged 20 (who was at Foxlease for the World Camp) wishes to spend the summer holidays with an English family, either "au pair" or paying a small "pension." She would talk French with children or older persons. Her sister, aged 15, would like to go to another family on the same terms.

Guide de France, aged 19, would like to come to a family in England for several months to learn English and get some experience in Guide work. She would pay £2 10s. a week.

A French Scout (Protestant), coming to the World Jamboree, wishes to spend the remainder of the summer holidays in England. In exchange his family would entertain an English girl for the same length of time, either in the country or by the sea (Brittany).

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