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A Calendar of Events

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HEADQUARTERS' NOTICES AND DATES OF TRAINING WEEKS HELD AT FOXLEASE AND WADDOW WILL BE FOUND IN "THE GUIDER."

CONFERENCES

EXTENSION GUIDERS' CONFERENCE

Place.—King's College Hostel for Women, 58 Queensborough Terrace, London, W.2.
Dates.—Monday, September 20th to Monday, September 27th.

Fees.—£2 10s. 0d. including residence.
There may be room for a limited number of non-resident Guiders, for whom the Conference fee will be 10s. for the week, or 2s. per day.

Programme.—There will be specialised training in the morning, and lectures by outside speakers each evening. It is hoped to arrange visits to Extension companies and packs in the afternoons. The speakers will include the Chief Guide, the Chief Commissioner, the Commissioner for Extensions, Sir Percy Everett, Miss Clark (N.C.G.G. Handicrafts Organiser) and Miss Nevill of the Psychological Centre.

Applications should be sent to The Secretary, The Girl Guides Association, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London, S.W.1, accompanied by a deposit of 5s. (which will be returned if the application is cancelled before September 6th) stating the section in which the applicant wishes to train, and the dates of any previous Extension Trainings which she has attended, in order that preference may be given to those who have not been to many previous trainings.

SURREY COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE

The Surrey Commissioners' Annual Conference will be held on Tuesday, October 19th, at Imperial Headquarters.

Will Commissioners please send subjects for discussion by September 14th, to Miss Meugens, 15 Alexandra Road, Kingston-on-Thames.

TRAINING

BARROW HILL ROAD GUIDERS' TRAINING SCHOOL

Open to Guiders of any Division and non-Guiders (over 18) if introduced by a Guider.

Place.—Barrow Hill Road L.C.C. Schools (a few minutes from St. John's Wood Station).

Dates.—Every Monday, from October 4th to December 13th, except November 8th.

Time.—7.30-9.45 p.m. Break and Canteen at 8.30.

Fees.—2s. 6d. the course or 6d. an evening.

Provisional Programme:

Elementary Training for new and inexperienced Guiders. Whole term. Taken by Miss Seaman. Diploma'd Guider.

Refresher Course for more experienced Guiders. October 4th to November 1st inclusive. Taken by Miss Lockhead, Diploma'd Guider.

Brownie Training. From October 4th to November 1st inclusive, including one evening taken by an Eagle Owl.

Handicrafts, Singing and Ranger Training. November 15th to December 13th inclusive.

All details will be given in the October Guider.

SUSSEX COUNTY TRAINING WEEK-END

Place.—Elfinswald, Haywards Heath.

Dates.—November 12th to 15th, 1937.

Guider-in-Charge.—Miss J. Mathews.

Trainers.—Miss Lander, Head of Training, Scotland; Miss C. Braby, Sussex Eagle Owl.

Fees.—Double or single rooms, if over 50 apply, 21/- per head; part timers, 7/6 per day. If under 50 apply, 22/6 per head; part timers 8/- per day. Attendance by the day, 1/- plus meals.

Training will be given in Ranger, Guide and Brownie work, elementary and more advanced.

Applications should be made before November 3rd to Miss A. Young, Creevagh, Forest Row, Sussex.

SCOTLAND

SCOTTISH COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE

Place.—Gleneagles Hotel, Perthshire.

Date.—October 21st to 24th, 1937.

Conference Fee.—3/6 for the whole time, or 1/6 a day. Hotel charge, 16/- a day.

Speakers include Mrs. Houston Craufurd, the Scottish Chief Commissioner; the Hon. Mrs. Charles Tufton, Imperial Headquarters Commissioner; Miss W. J. Macintosh of the Jordanhill Training Centre; Dr. Greenlees, Headmaster of Loretto School.

Notices and programmes have been sent to Scottish Commissioners. Commissioners from elsewhere will be welcome and should apply to the Conference Secretary, 12 Melville Street, Edinburgh.

GENERAL SURREY

Swimming

Surrey hopes to send a team to compete in the Inter-County Team Race at the London Swimming Gala on October 23rd. It is suggested that the swimmers are chosen at the Sutton Swimming Baths on Monday, September 27th.

Would fast swimmers who would like to compete please communicate with Miss Hillbrook, 7 Worcester Gardens, Sutton, Surrey, as soon as possible, and by September 20th at the latest, when full details will be sent to them. Swimmers may be of any rank provided they are doing active Guiding.

THE INCORPORATED BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR PHYSICAL TRAINING

The Association's Competitions, 1938 (Open Competitions)

The following Team Competitions will be held.

SKIPPING.

- (a) Under 10 years of age. Teams of 4. Two groups of $\frac{1}{2}$ minute each with a break of $\frac{1}{2}$ minute between each group.
- (b) Ages 10 to 14. Teams of 4. Two groups of $\frac{1}{2}$ minute each with a break of not less than $\frac{1}{2}$ minute nor more than one minute between each group. The Team must skip as a whole for both groups.

- (c) Ages 14 and over. Teams of 6. Two groups of $\frac{1}{2}$ minute's duration with a break of not more than one minute between each group. The Team must skip as a whole for both groups.

WORKING GIRLS' PHYSICAL EXERCISES. Ages 14 years and over. Teams of 8.

- (a) *Elementary and Intermediate Grades.* Published set Free Exercises.
- (b) *Advanced Grade.* Free Exercises arranged by the Teacher. Time limit, not less than 5 nor of more than 6 minutes duration.

BOYS' DRILL COMPETITION. Ages 12-16 years.

Group of Rhythmic Exercises, set by the teacher. Not more than 4 minutes, not less than 3 minutes.

ENTRANCE FEES.

Junior Teams (ages under 14 years) 2/6 each Team for each Competition.

Senior Teams, 4/- each Team for each Competition.

Boys' Competition, 4/- each Team.

Copies of the Published Set Exercises for the Working Girls' Physical Exercises Competitions may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary, Competitions Committee, Miss M. E. M. Wilson, 36 Canning Road, Croydon. Price 1/- per copy.

Demonstrations of Published Set Exercises—Saturday, 2nd October, 1937, at 5 p.m., at the London Central Y.M.C.A., Great Russell Street, Tottenham Court Road, W.C.1.

Latest date for receiving entries, January 30th, 1938.

Date of Competitions, Saturday, March 19th, 1938, 3 p.m.—6 p.m., at Central London Y.M.C.A. Gymnasium, Great Russell Street, W.C.1.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE, BRISTOL

For Work in Children's Homes under Local Authorities

The School, which is at 21 Portland Square, will be opened by the Mayoress of Bristol on September 16th. It provides a Three Months' Residential Course without sectarian bias. Practical tuition in cookery and the management of kitchen and laundry, needlework and domestic duties is given. Weekly lectures by the Staff of the Child Guidance Clinic, talks by a doctor on Health and Hygiene, and a course on First Aid and Home Nursing are given. In order to provide students with as many points of contact with those under their care as possible, attendance at an Organised Play Centre, Guidcraft and Nature Study Classes are arranged for. Up to March of next year we can take Students, whether for training or as a Refresher Course, at the minimum fee of £13 13s. 0d. payable in instalments (£1 1s. 0d. Entrance Fee and £1 1s. 0d. monthly from the first year's earnings). After this date the Course may be a longer one and our charges revised. The fees are inclusive and any travelling expenses when organised visits are paid to social activities are met by the School. Students wear their own clothing, but overalls are provided in which to do household work.

Posts are found through the School, either as Foster Mothers (i.e., House-Mothers) or Assistants; and in Institutions under the Education Authorities. New Entrants wishing to be House-Mothers should be over 24 and under 36; as a rule they are given some Institutional experience before taking full responsibility in a Cottage Home for twelve school-children.

Younger women are placed as Assistants—or possibly 'Relief'—Foster-Mothers, if they have had some experience to warrant their being so placed.

Salaries range from £52 to £60 or more for Foster-Mothers, 'Relief' Mothers getting probably £55. Assistants, £40 to £45; all are residential posts, and senior ones carry superannuation rights.

Applicants must be domesticated, child-lovers and of sound health, Guiders, Teachers and Nurses being specially eligible.

We are constantly asked for more workers than we can supply as the Authorities are most anxious to secure trained women, and the Centre, till now in Exeter, is the only one of its kind in England. Its aim is to send out women with a sense of Call to give to the motherless children under State care a happy home life and an upbringing which is loving and psychologically sound.

Further details from Deaconess Maude Brett, 24 Clifton Hill, Exeter, Devon. 'Phone 5237.

The Term begins on Monday, September 13th next.

All correspondence should be accompanied by a stamped and addressed envelope.

THE ENGLISH FOLK DANCE AND SONG SOCIETY at CECIL SHARP HOUSE

Holiday Classes.—Thursdays, September 16th, 23rd and 30th. 8.30 to 10.0 p.m. Admission 2/- each class.

Wednesday Folk Dance Classes for boys and girls (beginning October 6th) 5.30 to 6.30 p.m. Admission 6d. each class.

Weekend Course for members of Camping and Rambling organisations. October 15th to 17th (see page 376, September *Guider*).

For further particulars of the above events, apply to the Secretary, E.F.D.S., Cecil Sharp House, 2 Regent's Park Road, London, N.W.1.

THE WOUNDED SEAL

A SCOTTISH FAIRY STORY.
RE-TOLD BY K. M. BRIGGS.

THERE was once a fisherman who was the best seal fisher in the North of Scotland. One day when he was out fishing, a big dog seal rose near to his boat. He threw his knife at it and struck it; but the seal dived under the water and escaped, and the fisher had to go home without his knife.

As he was sitting down to his supper that night he heard a knock at the door, and when he opened it he saw a tall stranger outside, holding two fine horses.

"Are you Peter Ross, the seal fisher?" he asked.

"I am, sir," said the fisher.

"I have a large order for you for seal skins," said the stranger. "If you will come with me I will tell you know what you are to do."

The stranger was so well spoken and the horses so finely harnessed that Peter did not hesitate. He mounted on one horse and the stranger on the other, and they rode away through the gathering darkness until they came to the lonely sea shore. Presently Peter began to be afraid.

"Stop!" he said. "Where are you taking me? No one lives along this way."

"We are nearly there," said the stranger. And he turned his horse's head towards the edge of the cliff along which they rode.

"Stop!" cried Peter in terror.

"Sit firmly," said the stranger, "and I will bring you safely to my home."

With that he took the rein of Peter's horse in his hand, and the two horses leapt clear over the towering cliff into the deep, hungry sea beneath them. Peter had only time to bend down and cling to his horse's neck before its hoofs splashed in the water, and it clove the sea like a fish, and bore him with it into the depths of the sea.

The frightened breath which Peter had taken at the top of the cliff was not yet all spent when they reached the bottom of the sea, and moved upward into a great cave where the horse stopped. Peter was astonished to find that he was no longer pressed upon by the water. His clothes were wet with his passage through the sea; but here, at the bottom of the sea, he could breathe fresh air again. He turned to look at his companion, and found a seal beside him; but, as he looked, the seal stripped off its skin, and he saw again the stranger who



had brought him from his cottage. Several more stately figures came up to him, but they took their arms. Peter began to understand that he was in the Seal Kingdom. He had often heard it said that the seals wore their skins only swimming in the water, and could cast them off when they wished and appear like men and women; now he really believed it. As he thought of all the seals he had killed, and that they must be brothers and sisters and cousins he saw, Peter's courage failed him and his heart dunted against his ribs. He remembered that the fairies are said to be revengeful and to have long memories for those who do them harm, and he felt sure that he had been fetched down into

the sea to suffer some cruel punishment.

He kept as brave a face as he could; but his companion saw that he was afraid.

"Do not be frightened," he said. "Indeed we mean you no harm. Follow me."

He spoke so kindly that Peter believed him, and found strength to follow him along the winding coral passages of the Sea Palace. They came at last to a great Pillared Room where an old man with a noble face was lying sorely wounded; and, sticking in the wound, Peter saw his own seal knife.

"This is my Father, whom you wounded this morning," said his companion. "He is our King. Do you wish him to live or die?"

"Indeed," said Peter, "I wish him to live with all my heart. I did not know who it was that I struck."

"Then it is in your power to heal him," said the seal. "Draw out the knife and stroke the wound gently with the flat of it, saying, 'All health be with you,' and the wound will be healed."

Peter drew out the knife, and when he had stroked the wound and spoken the words the gush of blood was stanchied, and the King of the Seals raised himself on his elbow as well as he had ever been, while all the Seal People around him shouted with joy.

Peter's seal bent down and kissed his Father's hand, and then drew Peter out of the room.

"Come and refresh yourself," he said. "I must ask your pardon for the falsehood I used when I came to your

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house. Nothing would have tempted me to it except the need to save my Father's life. Eat and drink and I will take you to shore again. But we have one thing more to ask you; that you will never again throw your knife at a seal. Catch any of the fish of the sea that you like, but leave the seals alone."

"No need to ask me that," said Peter, "after what I have seen to-day. You had me in your power, and I had May my hand drop off if ever I touch a sealing knife again."

"That is all we ask," said the Seal Prince. "Come with me to the Banquet," said the Seal Prince. "Come but Peter trusted the Seal People and sat down to the Banquet with them. And the more he saw of them the better he liked them. When the Banquet was over the Seal Prince called for their horses, and led Peter by another way home to his cottage door. Here he gave him a large green bag.

"You will be the poorer," he said, "for the loss of our skins; but if ever you need money take a gold coin out of this bag. It will be long before you get to the bottom of it."

With this he gathered up the loose rein of Peter's horse and rode quickly away. Peter carried the green bag with him into his cottage. He used it sparingly, with the seals fail either; for he would often go out to the rocks when the tide was low, and talk to the Seal People who came up from the deeps to meet him. He knew more than any man of the secrets of the sea. And so he lived happily all his days.

BROWNIE GAMES.

AMELIA ANN.

The pack in a circle. One Brownie (Amelia Ann) in the middle.

Amelia Ann: "Amelia Ann is going to school," or whatever she likes to suggest.)

Brownies: "How is she going?"

Amelia Ann: "On a bicycle" (or however she pleases).

The Brownies then act Amelia Ann going to school.

Amelia Ann: "Amelia Ann does what she likes beginning with the letter C" (or whatever letter she chooses).

The Brownies each act individually, something beginning with the letter chosen. Amelia Ann chooses a Brownie who is acting well and she goes into the middle and is Amelia Ann for the next time.

BUILDING.

Brownies sit in their corners, and divide themselves into Builders and Lorry Drivers; each Six also need a Foreman. A pile of beads, matches or whatever Brown Owl can produce is placed in the middle of the room, on a large sheet of paper. Each Six is provided with a sheet of paper on which to build. When all are ready

to build, Brown Owl suggests a shape, circle, triangle, letter, etc., and calls out how many bricks may be used according to the shape and size (25 is a reasonable number). At a given signal the Lorry Drivers run and fetch the bricks (beads or matches, etc.), but each Lorry Driver may only fetch one brick at a time. The Foreman counts the bricks and supervises the building of the shape by the Builders. When the Building is finished the Six sit round, and the first to be sitting win a reward for speed; encouragement should also be given to good Builders and Foreman should all change places.

DECORATING THE STREETS.

Name three streets in a city St. George, St. Andrew and St. Patrick, each street to be named with a large placard. Have three or four Brownies who are learning the flag, to be policemen. The rest of the city putting appropriate flags in each street, in anticipation of the King's visit. Just before his arrival the wind blows and the flags float gently down the streets. Police rush round and re-arrange in order, tucking the flags into windows to make them secure (turning Brownies to face the wall). The King arrives and the Police meet him and conduct him round, each Policeman turning the flags the right way round at his approach. King tactfully rectifies mistakes of flags in wrong streets.

BEECH

- A. Twig (January).
- B. Leaf (September).
- C. Female flower.
- D. Male flower.
- E. Fruits (busk and nuts).

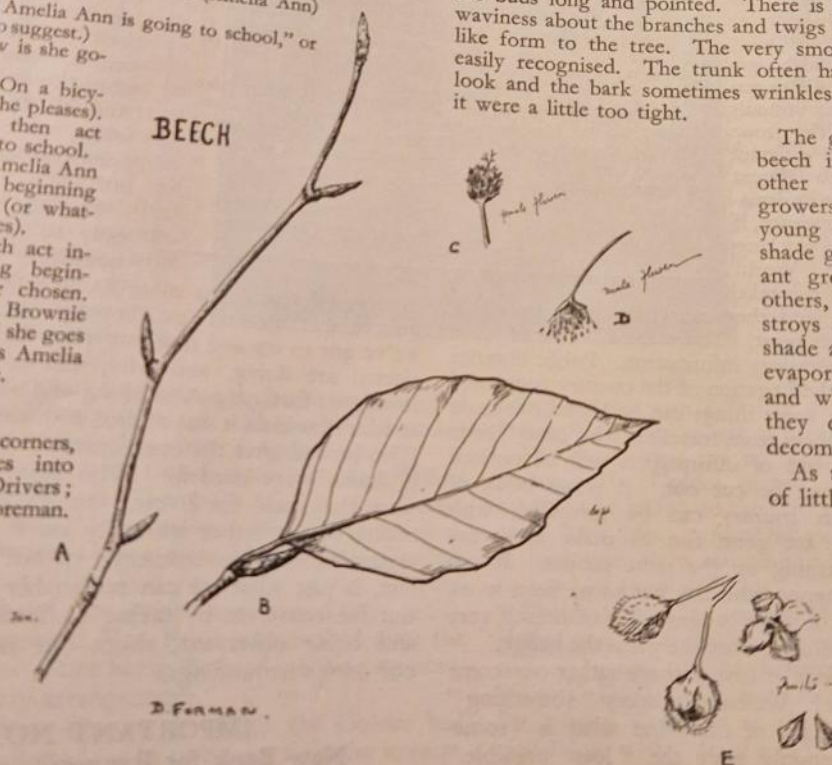
The beech is one of the most beautiful of trees. In spring the leaves are a lovely clear green, and when autumn comes they turn into gorgeous shades of brown and orange and russet. The twigs are very slender and the buds long and pointed. There is an impression of waviness about the branches and twigs that gives a flame like form to the tree. The very smooth grey bark is easily recognised. The trunk often has a "muscular" look and the bark sometimes wrinkles and creases as if it were a little too tight.

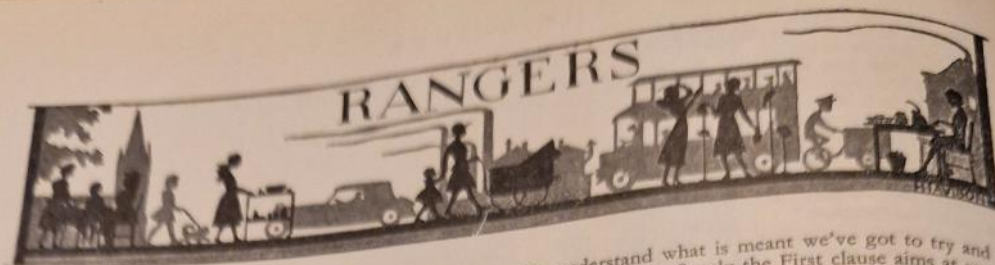
The great value of the beech is as a shelter to other trees. Timber growers use it to "mother" young plantations. The shade given by its luxuriant growth protects the others, and its drip destroys most weeds; the shade also prevents over-evaporation of the soil, and when the leaves fall they enrich it by their decomposition.

As timber the beech is of little value itself. It is used by chair-makers and turners. It is excellent fuel, burning slowly, and making a hot, white ash. Charcoal is sometimes made from it.

H. D. FORMAN,

BEECH





THE RANGER STAR

GROUP V.

NOBODY is likely to dispute the point that, for interest and value, Group 5 of the Ranger Star Test is unsurpassed by any of the other groups. At least no one will deny this who has understood all that lies behind it. The other groups help the Ranger to be a more useful citizen herself. But when she studies Group 5 she has to discover what citizenship means as a whole, apart from herself; citizenship not only in its limited "local" sense, but citizenship of the world, with consequently some understanding of our fellow citizens in other countries.

Look at Section A, Group V. Here are three badges as stiff as any a Ranger can go in for. Badges that need real hard work and effort over a longish period. If you settle down to win a badge that entails corresponding with another country for at least a year, or reading its papers for a year or more, you know that the badge is not mere child's play, but that there's something worth while in it.

These are splendid badges for a small group of Rangers to take up and study unitedly—each member of the group perhaps studying a different aspect, or exploring a different line in search of the information wanted. For instance, if several Rangers are working together for the World Citizen badge, each can take a different country, and they can compete as to which of them can find out most. There are all sorts of ways of hunting for the necessary information. Public libraries may be visited; or the Legation of the country concerned may be written to; some things can be found out from Travel Agencies; others from travellers who have "been there." Often odd bits of information will be noticed in the papers and can be cut out. A scrap book of information on each country can be compiled, with illustrations. These are great fun to make and very helpful to others learning up the same subject. It can safely be said that anyone who has put some keen work into the study of one of these badges will find herself very much the richer for it long before she gains the badge.

In Section B, one feels at first perhaps rather overcome by a certain vagueness! We have to know "something" of this and "something" of that—but what is "something?" Well, it certainly isn't the "least possible."

To understand what is meant we've got to try and see what is aimed at. Surely the First clause aims at *yourself*. Have you at your finger-tips the practical local knowledge that any Ranger should have who hopes to be an intelligent and helpful citizen? The Second takes you out into the world. Your little corner of it may seem important, but what do you know of other corners? The Third brings you down to bedrock again with the discovery that what you can see all about you, or hear of other countries, isn't all that concerns the real citizen. She must learn how things are organised and managed if the best value is to be got out of the practical possibilities.

For the First, note that the Ranger chooses the route—so that each may learn to be helpful and observant on the roads she herself is constantly using, probably when going to and from her work.

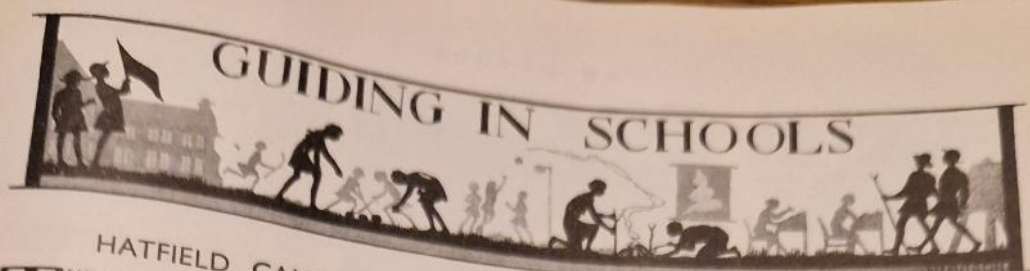
For the Second, remember that it is the personal touch that counts. We don't really begin to take an active interest in another country until we have made some personal contact. This means either visiting the country oneself, or being in touch with some friend who is visiting it, or corresponding with people who live there, or getting to know people from that country when they come to visit ours. And all this, to be worth while, must be done with an open mind and a friendly attitude.

STELLA TUFTON,
Headquarters' Commissioner.

For the Third you have only to ask yourself a few questions to discover how little you know. For most Rangers knowledge of local government doesn't go beyond the elections! But we've got to try and find out what these people we have elected are doing, and why, and *how*. Supposing an intelligent foreigner came along and asked us such things as who's business it was to deal with rubbish in the towns? Who looked after the open spaces? How was it decided if drains were needed? Who planned them and how were they paid for? etc., etc. We should very soon realise then whether we really knew "something of our system of local government" or not! "Something," in fact, is just what we can reasonably be expected to find out for ourselves by taking an interest, using initiative, and being observant, about our own experiences and our own surroundings.

W. LANDER.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.
New Book for Rangers! See page 350.



HATFIELD CAMP, 1937

THE first School Camp has taken place. The idea of running a camp at the beginning of the summer holidays for girls belonging to school companies was first suggested by the Assistant Commissioner for different schools assembled at Hatfield on July 28th. They came from all parts of the southern half of England—from Devon and Norfolk, the Isle of Wight and Shrewsbury, Birmingham and Kent, etc. Only two Guides from each school were invited, but some last-minute vacancies, due to illness, were filled by extra couples of Guides from schools already represented. A Canadian, an Eclaireuse, and two Norwegian Guiders gave us a very pleasant feeling of outside contact.

The camp was pitched on a beautiful site in Hatfield Park, where from one's tent, in the morning, could be seen a little glimpse of the Elizabethan chimneys of Hatfield, pheasants and rabbits feeding, and grey squirrels scampering in and out of the store tent for their favourite chocolate biscuits. It was an ideal place, large enough for the groups to feel just nicely on-their-own. There were glorious big trees for shade and delicious

wooded dells for camp fires, where the beech trunks looked like Arthur Rackham's drawings, and overhead the most delicate tracery of branches showed against the sky.

The Guides were more than fortunate in their staff of Guiders. Miss Angela Thompson, C.C.A. for Herts., was in charge, with Miss Anstice Gibbs as her assistant. Also on the Central Group were Miss Barbara Gardner as Quartermaster, Miss Hall in charge of the Hospital tent (the health of the camp was remarkably good). Miss Cranfield assisted Mrs. Fryer who looked after the shop and transport, after being the hard-working secretary for the preliminary arrangements.

There were three Groups to which the Guides had been previously allotted, so as to ensure a similar average

age, and also to bring into closer contact children from the same parts of the country. A feature which struck everyone, Guiders and Guides alike, was the quickness with which all these strangers settled down into a team and made friends—an excellent commentary on the result of community of interest and outlook. From the very beginning the tone in the camp was outstandingly

friendly and happy between Guide and Guide, and Group and Group, coupled with a conviction on the part of each individual that she was in the best Group.

The Pheasants, under a delightful team of Guiders from Kent, quickly gained a reputation for singing. Sporadic outbursts of song could be heard at all hours from their direction, and the value of this practice was evident during camp fires. It was amusing to hear quite small clutches of Pheasants breaking into song, quite spontaneously, whether doing chores or merely walking along, and it gave a Continental flavour to the camp.

The Peewits were guided by an equally delightful team from Berkshire, proud of their reputation of having "the best food in camp," and always ready to offer a snack to all who called, whether inspired by hunger or merely the desire to tease. Their patrols were known by Pooh signs—each child

being badged with a lifelike design of Tigger, Eeyore, Piglet, Pooh and the rest of the family.

The Herons were run by Hertfordshire people of equal charm. The Guides earned a special reputation for hardiness in hiking to the farthest woods and in sleeping out. This latter accomplishment caused a surprise to at least one early morning rider, who came suddenly on rows of sleeping forms.

The days passed all too quickly—Hatfield fete; Hatfield House and its treasures; camp fires; hiking in pairs; stalking games in the bracken; target ball matches; Visitors' Day; "Guides' Own" on Sunday morning; St. Albans' Cathedral in the evening; a moth-hunting expedition with Mr. Fryer; a camp fire under Miss



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Tennant's direction; the leisurely purposeful clanging of the big cow bell by which Miss Thompson gathered her flock together; the camp nurse's thrilling adventures in Serbia during the War; Miss Albrecht and her camera; the pride that our camp flag was the actual one which had flown at the masthead during the Battle of the Falkland Islands; the appreciation of the Guides and their parents; the spirit in which all chores were done; the gaiety in the early morning; the silence after lights out; and, above and around all, the jokes and the friendliness, and the interchange of ideas and friendships made a memorable week for us all.

Everyone at the camp felt that the spirit of Guiding was very much alive and the flame of Guiding was burning more brightly as we said farewell, determined to meet again.

FINOLA SOMERS,
Commissioner for
Schools & Colleges.

INVALID CHILDREN'S AID ASSOCIATION

HOME-MADE TOY AND DOLL COMPETITION.

The Invalid Children's Aid Association transports the seriously invalided and crippled children of London to Convalescent Homes in the country and at the sea, where they gain health and strength, and where even lessons are a joy. When they return, they are still watched over; some are given surgical instruments and carriages, others, gifts of warm clothing, toys, books and dolls.

During 1936 thousands of delicate children were assisted in various ways. Will you help to carry on this great work and enter for the Competition?

Rules.

1. Competitors are divided into two classes:—
(a) Those under 17—entrance fee, 6d.; (b) those 17 and over—entrance fee, 1s.
2. All dolls and materials for clothing and for toys are to be provided by the competitors.
3. Only dolls and toys guaranteed to be non-inflammable may be sent in for the competition.
4. Toys and dolls should be sent to the Competition Secretary, I.C.A.A., 117, Piccadilly, W.1, with the entrance fee, and attached to the toy or doll the competitor's name, full postal address, and, in the case of members of the



(Above) The Water Carriers.

(Below) Mess Patrol.

British Red Cross Society, particulars of the unit, Girls' Friendly Society, their Branch and Diocese, Girl Guide Company and Young Women's Christian Association, the Branch to which they belong, not later than Wednesday, November 24th, 1937.

5. The toys and dolls will be sold for the benefit of the funds of the Association. Those unsold will be distributed among the invalid and crippled children at Christmas.

6. Prizes will be given for:—
(a) Most original animal or toy;
(b) most skilfully-made toy; (c) doll best dressed in knitted costume; (d) doll best dressed in miscellaneous costume; (e) Doll best dressed in baby clothes.

Please make this Competition widely known among your friends, and help to bring happiness to many a crippled child at Christmas.

A NEW BOOK FOR RANGERS.

From One Ranger to Another. A Book of Suggestions. (The Girl Guides Association, 1s. 6d.)

At last the Book of Ideas for Rangers is in print. Don't be misled by the fact that it appears under the above title. It is the book for

which we have waited so long, and it seems to have been worth waiting for.

The Foreword tells us that a hundred people have contributed over 500 ideas to the making of this book, one of the chief objects of which is to help Rangers to satisfy the Chief Scout's ideal for us all, that of becoming—

"Happy, Healthy and Helpful."

If we succeed in following even half of these suggestions we should surely be nearing the goal. And there are suggestions for every type of Ranger. Every company and ship's library must, of course, have a copy, though Guiders, Patrol Leaders, and many Rangers, will prefer possessing a copy of their own. No one in future need be faced with the awful moment when, with a mind blank of all inspiration and no time to invent or even to think, one is faced with the dire necessity of producing something new and alluring for that evening's meeting! A couple of minutes with this book, and the problem is solved.

But this gold mine of bright ideas does not deal solely with entertainment. The chapter on Handcrafts gives useful hints on the employment of the leisure hour. Problems which face the average company from time to time are faced and solutions suggested. The chapter on Service is a valuable contribution and will help many to find scope for their varied gifts.

We are very grateful to the editors, Mrs. Monteith and Mrs. Griffith, for the tremendous amount of work they have put into the compilation of the book. The illustrations are attractive, and Miss Anne Hopkins' clever line drawings are a good indication of the entertainment provided. Altogether very good value for the money!

G. I. JANSON POTTS,
Commissioner for Rangers.



WITH HORSE AND PACK TO KOSCIUSKO

DO you know the Upper Murray District in North-Eastern Victoria? It's a lovely land of mountain ranges, clear streams and verdant pastures, where the air is a tonic in itself. We, the 1st Corryong Guide Company, decided to go to Kosciusko by horse, so promptly set about our plans. Our Lieutenant, Miss Fanny Paton, had been to the "Tops" before, so in her capable hands the main scheme was left, and to her must go a main share of the credit for the success of the undertaking. Mrs. Arthur Nankervis deserved the rest, to share with her husband and his two brothers, who lease the whole of the watershed from Geehi to Groggin, and to the peaks of the very range itself, for their extremely generous treatment of us.

At 2.30 on a delightful summer's day, we set our faces to the forests and hills with joy and the thrill of the long-desired at last to be fulfilled. The first stage of 12 miles (or thereabouts) was to Geehi, up hill, down dale, stringing along the face of cliffs, threading ferny gullies, down precipitous Geehi Wall, a creek-bed tumbling down the mountain side below musk and tree-fern, with beautiful vistas 'twixt towering gums, of the rugged mass of Kosciusko in the distance, fording mountain streams where stones rolled beneath the horses' feet, and a firm hand and seat were necessary.

Then we came to a pleasant green grassy valley, and in the distance, the hut, and with a cheer and a song we

cantered over the flat and up the ridge to Geehi Hut, the first of the Nankervis' shelters on our route. Towering behind us was the grim grey giant, all peaks and rocky masses. There is a track up from Geehi, with a rise of 6,000 feet in a few miles, but very hard going for man and beast and not our choice.



(Above) Your horses' needs—then your own.
(Below) The Deadwood.

Tents were soon erected for the Guides; the men would sleep out in true cattleman fashion beneath the stars, and the bunks in the hut were allotted to the women of the party. Wood and water patrol were smartly on the job, and in no time, it seemed, the cooks were blowing "Cook-house"—and were we hungry? First, of course, of all duties, as

soon as you slip (or fall) from the saddle, you must store your saddle and bridle, and attend to your horse's needs—then your own. Although we had hobbles, the horses were allowed free range at Geehi, and took quite a lot of mustering next morning, as a few outlaws

would persist in breaking for the hills, when the others would race pell-mell after them. Some cattle, too, had to be taken on to Groggin (18 miles), so we made two groups, Mrs. Nankervis with the majority of the Guides went on ahead, and the men strung out behind with the cattle. The pack horses knew their way and jogged along between the two parties.

The way now led through mountain gullies, really along the length of Kosciusko, approaching it from the farther side. We penetrated lyre-bird land, and the bush rang with the songs of birds, from the tiny wrens to

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vivid parrots and the shy black cockatoos. The nature of the forest changed from time to time from stringybarks to white gums, messmate and blue-gums, interspersed with wattle and blackwood in the gullies, with the fern family well represented. Sometimes at a jog-swinging beneath the green canopy, sometimes at a trot, mostly at a walk, and often with steep climbs up and down, we went on, through the hot noon, and on into the afternoon, slowly progressing towards Groggin. No green grassy valleys until we came to the Long Plain, a few miles from the homestead. Immediately the horses put down their heads to crop the clovers and crisp grasses, still so green here, when all around our Towong, Goryong and the lower hills, the grass was brown and dry. Then a last ford, across the Tom Groggin River, famous as a trout stream, and on to the homestead, and here to our surprise we found several log huts, a huge barn, cultivated paddocks, and every indication of thriving and industrious pioneering. There is always someone at Groggin. It is the headquarters of the Nankervis brothers, and there we lived in luxury. The Guides were bedded on fragrant hay in the huge barn, and there were bunks for everyone else.

We stayed two days at Groggin, fishing, hunting, walking, lying in the shadow of the apple-trees in the orchard, doing our washing, playing games and reading, and enjoying every minute. We cooked at a huge open fireplace, using camp ovens.

Unfortunately Mrs. Nankervis wrenched her ankle at cricket on the second evening, and was unable to accompany us to the top. Mr. Nankervis and Mrs. Burke stayed with her, and the rest set out on the next stage. This led across the Groggin again, through land known as Rileys, of interest because here is the tumble-down hut where Jack Riley, the Man from Snowy River, lived. This set everyone reciting the exciting story.

Our way led upward now, first through grassy hillocks where honeysuckles grew, and these gave way to groves of wattle, which in their turn gave way to stringy barks, blue and white gums, and lastly the tough and twisted snow-gums. Higher and higher we rode, keeping to the ridges, till at length we came to a huge drop, known as the

Leatherbarrel. Down and down and down we went, the horses sliding and slipping on the steep sheer walls, making us wonder how on earth we were ever to get up it. Across the creek at the foot, when we all drank thirstily and stretched our legs, and rested our horses before the cliffs that rose before us. Then—up and at them, slipping nearly over the horse's tail, scramble—stumble—grab and pull, up and up and up, stand in the saddle to ease the climb, and at last—up and up, rest, almost on level ground again. Round the ridges, with magnificent mountain panoramas on our right, and behind us. Then through marshy ground into the "deadwood," a weird tangle of burnt and bleached snow-gums, standing with their tortured limbs writhing to heaven, or lying in tangled masses upon the ground.

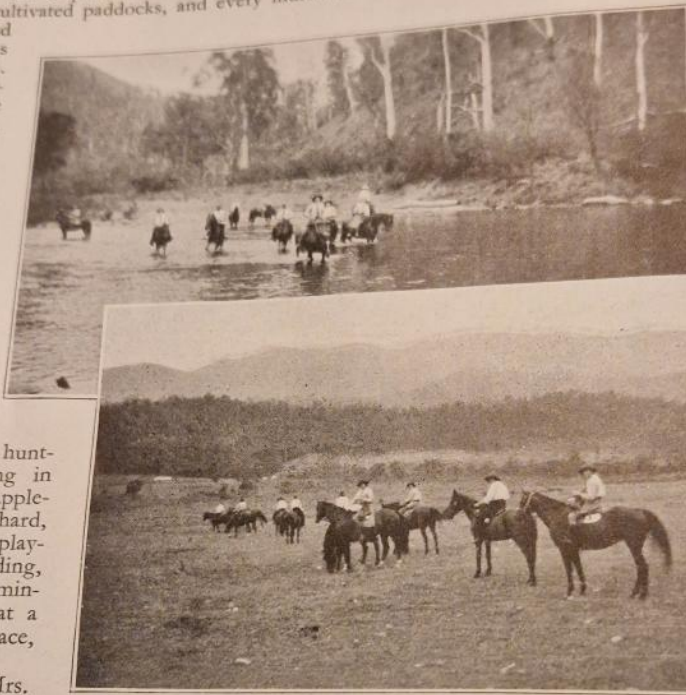
Here one must go very carefully, or find oneself hemmed in with white branches all around, and no room to turn. Then out of the dead forest, into no forest at all,

above the tree-line, where tough snow-grass fills the valleys and creeks, send their ceaseless flow to the rivers. Boys are bad here, and horses must follow horse, nose to tail, to avoid danger. Up the Valley and over the ridge to see a sheltered hut surrounded by snow-gums—our goal and the end of a further 16-mile stage.

This is a galvanised iron hut, six miles from the summit, very snug and comfortable. No sooner were tents up than with a roar the wind was upon us, and fast upon the wind, the rain, pouring and lashing, in sudden fury. We heard afterwards that 5 inches fell. Anyhow, we had to race for

the hut, and made merry within. After tea, Mr. Byatt, a cattleman, played the accordion and the girls danced. There were two other young mountain men there too, and the hut rang with joyous songs and laughter while the rain still poured overhead. We were a packed family that night—the men in the annexe, and the Guides and four other children in the bunkhouse, while the Lieutenant and Captain slept on the floor. And all slept soundly.

Next day, the downpour continued. In the afternoon, we donned mackintoshes and walked across a near-by hill, keeping a wary eye on landmarks, for fogs are a real danger.



(Above) Fording the River.

(Below) The Long Plain.

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We danced again that night, wishing fervently for a fine day on the morrow, but alas! it dawned grey and heavy with fog. However, Mr. Byatt said he would go with us to the summit. He has ridden over these ranges in all weathers and is the most experienced of the mountain men. We donned woollens and waterproofs and set off for the final 6 miles, and steep and arduous enough it proved, at first at all events. The huge rock masses looked weird and ghostly as the grey veils of fog swept over them. In gaps on the heights above, great fields of snow clung and sleek Herefords cropping the mountain grass below them were red dots.

At last the path led through a morass in a valley with drifts of large white and purple daisies in the grassy slopes. We detoured to see Lake Kootabamba, the source of one of the numerous rivers having birth among the Alps. Snow on the main ridge prevented motorists ascending the summit, but we cheerily rode our horses over the white crunchy wilderness, and followed our leader to the summit of Kosciuszko. What a thrill for us—we were now veritably on the roof of Australia, the first group of Girl Guides, we believe, to have ascended the monarch through its forest bulwarks on horseback. Unfortunately, fog, dense and white, and drifting, prevented us from enjoying the real magnificence of the view, which is, of course, unsurpassably grand.

After celebrating our achievement, we rode back slowly, savouring the thrill of it, to a sheltered spot, where the men of the party boiled the billy whilst we disported ourselves in the snow. Tea never tasted so good, nor did sandwiches disappear so quickly.

Then it was time to go home, or rather back to the hut at Dead Horse Gully, so in long drawn line, but keeping well in sight of each other, for mountain fog is truly treacherous, we rode home, singing.

The next day dawned fine, with high scudding clouds, and a wind strong enough to blow us off our horses—nearly. Every article of warm clothes we donned before leaving our good friends, whose company we enjoyed so much.

The ride home was marked by the descent of the Leather-cliff, with the corresponding climb up the opposite cliff; it was so wet and slippery, and so extremely steep, that the men-folk deemed it advisable for us to dismount and walk down, whilst they drove the horses, alternately slipping, sliding, and falling to the bottom. It took some of us comparatively ages to zigzag down, slithering, and with aching knees that also wobbled, but at last we all assembled in the grassy dell, shed our warm clothes, because it was so much warmer now, forded the stream on horse-back, then on foot made the ascent. It was quite an achievement, and gladly we mounted after regaining our breath, and cantered off through the marvellous scents and songs of the bush.

The bells rang musically as even the packhorses broke into a canter nearing home. A wonderful tea awaited us, and appetites had grown with the miles we had travelled, so full justice was done to the stew and dumplings. It was late that night before the laughter was stilled, and the cross blazed clear in the sky for our last evening in Groggin.

"Pack up" was the general order the day after next, and out came everything for inspection and ownership. Plump valises were strapped once more to saddles, fewer pack horses were loaded, and then "Good-byes" were said, and we were once more upon the track. There was

no need to urge a horse now—their heads were all towards home. What a magnet! Even though we were ending our holiday, we were eager to get home and tell all about it.

THE DIFFERENCE

By EDITH ERSKINE.

AFTER many years of work in one of our largest cities, where Guiding is of necessity a highly organised and smoothly running affair, it is rather an illuminating experience to suddenly transfer oneself to the captaincy of the "one and only" company in a tiny and isolated Scottish fishing village.

The company had been disbanded for a year owing to lack of Guiders, but had managed to leave green in all memories a wide reputation for "wildness." So much so in fact, that before taking them on I had solemn warnings regarding their "impossible" nature from the minister, schoolmaster, and local J.P.

The Guides were all the daughters of fishermen, children who have lived all their days in these tiny red-roofed cottages, clinging to a rugged coast and swept by the full cutting blast of ocean winds. In winter time the sea often sweeps right over them, and in summer the salt still crusts upon their windows. What wonder that the children of such rearing, the daughters of men who take their lives into their hands each time their frail boats set out upon the midnight pilgrimage, should have hot blood in their veins and difficulty in subduing it? Will they are—yet theirs is the type that once donned brothers' hats and poles and called themselves Girl Scouts. They still live in daily company with the spirit of adventure—of risk—which city children's ordered lives have too often lost for them. But my fisher lassies were at the opposite extreme, and badly needed some of the discipline and organisation of the city brought into their isolated community.

I use the last two words advisedly. That *isolation* is one of the chief things I have had to fight against—and the fact that the village is a self-contained community that deliberately shuns contact with the outside world. All along the coast they have a reputation for "keeping themselves to themselves," and they are so closely intermarried that all the children are at least "far-off cousins" to each other. Even their dialect is different from the villages on either side of them—but the differences have deeper root than that. Sometimes I have played with the idea that a foreign ship, perhaps Spanish, was wrecked there long ago; and their Southern blood still runs in these dark haired and skinned children, some of whose surnames are certainly curiously un-Scottish.

They are of an excitable, highly strung, and temperamental nature—apt to go to pieces at any nervous strain. We had a team in for a Country Dance Competition. Naturally musical, and vastly enthusiastic, they had practised till they were very near perfection. But transported to a strange hall and under the eye of the examiner they lost their heads completely, and made mistakes they had never dreamed of before; while the company from the next village, coached by the same person, went through it in stolidly unruffled placidity.

It is said that in these days of wireless and cinemas isolation has ceased to exist—but I was faced with the

phenomenon of a girl of nineteen who had never written a letter. As she said, quite simply, "But who would I write to?" All their interests are centred in the one small spot of ground, and in the hungry, ever changing sea on which their men ride out to wrest a living.

To introduce some idea of the world-wide nature of Guiding was one of my most urgent necessities. This aspect came as a real revelation to many of the younger ones; who though they knew they had a rival company in the next village had vaguely thought the affair ended at that. The idea that there were Guides in the big city from which I had come, and in every corner of Scotland, England, and Overseas, left them gaping—and asking questions! Thinking Day, opportunely arriving just then, provided a good excuse for a "world tour," and photographs, badges etc. of foreign Guides were vigorously fought over. After which we had the real thrill of writing and stamping Thinking Day cards to some city companies who had been sending us uniform and equipment.

The boys of the neighbourhood provided one of the chief trials of my early days (though now I feel that I have cause to be grateful to them in many ways). Having little else to do, they gather outside the school on every Guide night, tease and molest the "lassies" going in, and then throw stones at our windows. The bolder spirits on several occasions managed to get to our gasmeter and cut off the light—but having once been plunged in darkness I took along a Morse flashlamp and buzzer and was ready for them. When the gas again departed we promptly played "detectives," "shipwrecks," and other rescue games in the most satisfyingly realistic manner.

The girls were not slow in informing their brothers that they had thoroughly enjoyed themselves and they were welcome to do it as often as they liked—so that prank lost its savour. But an even more satisfactory result was that the Guides had developed a keenness for Morse, having realised its practical usefulness, which produced the unusual spectacle of a large batch of Tenderfoots passing their Morse code before any other item of the Second Class Test.

We are still at the very beginning of an uphill path, for in a large and ever-growing company we have not as yet got one Second Class badge—though many are now very near to it. But we have at least patrols which are beginning to be aware of themselves as separate entities (not just the divisions that one stood in for a game); and Leaders (all new) who are slowly discovering that their job really is to *lead*—not in name only.

When I took over I found P.L.s. of eighteen, nineteen, and even twenty—with the inevitable result of a company of eleven-and twelve-year-olds. Having been assured that the District Ranger Company was impossible for them to get at (the isolation spirit again I fear), I formed a Ranger Patrol for the "old stagers"—and found my new Leaders bobbing up under my feet, as the fourteen-year-olds saw their opportunity and came flocking back.

How pathetically little idea of leadership or the patrol

spirit they had at first! At corner time they dumped themselves down anywhere—and a Guide always had to have a hasty glance at her emblem if you asked her to which patrol she belonged. But now there is no mistaking a Robin and a Violet—they have developed rivalry and a healthy sense of their own importance.

The creation of the usual paraphernalia of screens, boxes, and charts has made them use their hands, brains, and imagination to transform their Corners into places that are really homes and really *theirs*. Great was my joy the other day, on puzzling over a weird looking notice displayed in one of them, to be told by a jubilant P.L. it was their Secret Code—"an' now we can say anything we likes without th' others knowing." Those grins of pride upon the faces of her patrol! But the envious looks of the other Guides told me they would not be left far behind.

I started off to show the difference between City Guides and these fisher girls—but seem to have ended by pointing to the similarity of all childhood when we get back to

the root ideas our Founder gave. The organisation of the city may be lacking here, and we have to act without advice and on our own initiative; but Guiding surely has a special meaning and message for these girls, whose lives hold few other interests. Special problems there undoubtedly are—but the "wildness" of the girls is not one of them. That is merely surplus energy, which can be harnessed to the better playing of our Game. They are eager to learn—to learn by doing things, not from books—

THE PLANETS IN SEPTEMBER.
VENUS continues as a morning star, rising gradually later throughout the month. On September 2nd she will appear to be close to the waning moon.
MARS will be visible low down in the south-west during the early evening. On September 12th he will be in conjunction with the moon, and they will appear to set together at about 10.30 p.m.
JUPITER will be a brilliant object in the south-west sky, setting about midnight. On September 15th he will be in conjunction with the moon.
SATURN will be visible throughout the night. At the beginning of the month he will rise about 8 p.m. and south about 2 a.m., but by the end he will rise at sunset and south about midnight. He will appear very close to the full moon on September 21st. (This is the Harvest moon.)
MERCURY will make one of his infrequent appearances in September, and towards the end of the month may be seen above the eastern horizon about 6 a.m.

N.B.—The times given above are Summer Time.

and though they have not the precocious sharpness of the street-trained city child, the general level of intelligence is high. Pride in their patrols and company has gradually produced the discipline which was lacking before (I was told that no child from that village was *capable* of standing still, or being quiet. But they are!).

They are capable of many things which hitherto no one has expected from them—and that perhaps is the secret of it. *Expect* the highest and you get it. At least I have found that true in both town and country—trust your Guides and they will not let you down.

Stories of the knights of chivalry may not mean much to my fisher lassies, but tales of great sailor heroes of to-day and yesterday mean much—and they can understand. That spirit lives on in their own kinsmen—who have a reputation far down the coast for a reckless daring which sends their frail craft out when all other harbours are closed. The romance of the Law and Promise, that golden link which makes *all* Guiding one in every land, makes it appeal here as elsewhere in the world. Most fisher folk are deeply religious at the core of things, and have a simple faith in Providence which overrides the many sects and dogmas (there are ten in this one tiny village). But all unite in the one Guide company, which acts as a useful "first illustration" of our wider fellowship.

We have much yet to achieve, to learn—and to live down. But secretly I hope that they will never *quite* live down their reputation, or become a "model" company. We have more fun!



ADAPTING PROGRAMMES FOR EXTENSION COMPANIES

"THE County Training Days are no use for us; there's so much running about, outdoor tracking, and so forth." "I never go to ordinary Trainings; I've only got an Extension company." One Trainer to give us specimen programmes for two "ordinary" company meetings, and then we asked experienced Extension Guiders (who in contra-distinction are presumably considered "extra-ordinary") to adapt these programmes to the needs of the Guides and Rangers in their section.

The Trainer admitted that she had chosen programmes as "impossible as possible" for Extension companies, but, even so, there are remarkably few items which cannot with a little ingenuity be adapted to all sections.

So, Extension Guiders, even if you have "only" an Extension company, perhaps you could look in on your next local Training; it's just possible that you might pick up a few hints!

You will find it possible to adapt most of the training to the needs of your own company, bearing in mind these very important points:—

1. Think out the object behind the original idea or game, and, if possible, carry this out in adapting.
2. If much change is necessary, do not be afraid of discarding the original idea and taking the idea suggested by it rather than trying to hold on to something that is not of much use.
3. Always look wide, and, when adapting, do not confine yourself to the walls of your building, but bring in plenty of new interest.
4. Games, etc., have frequently to be split up, and played as two separate games, e.g., concentration, movement and speed are too much for handicapped Guides in one game.
5. Much more apparatus is needed in order to simplify everything.
6. Team games can frequently be played in pairs to avoid waiting.

ORIGINAL PROGRAMMES.

PROGRAMME I.—*All Guides can arrive in time.*

7. Patrol Drill. Inspection.
- 7.15 Game with football.
- 7.25 Patrol Corners.
- 7.40 Test Game (bringing in last week's group work on emergencies). Talk over points of game.
- 8.10 Physical development game.

- 8.20 Group Work.—(a) Second Class Guides—Long-distance signalling; (b) Non-Second Class Guides—fire-making.
- 8.40 Notices. Patrols-in-Council preparatory to next Court of Honour.
- 8.55 Form Horse-shoe. Vesper. Dismiss.

PROGRAMME II.—*Guides cannot all arrive in time.*

7. Physical drill.
- 7.20 Patrol Corners.
- 7.40 Good-turn Tableaux. (Each patrol dresses up and shows any form a Good Turn might take.)
8. Historical Trail. (Patrol leaders are given envelopes containing clues, which give patrols trail of about one mile, taking in as many points of historical interest as possible.)
- 8.30 Discuss Trail (difficulty of clues; whereabouts of monuments, etc.).
- 8.45 Patrol Drill.
9. Dismiss.

BLIND COMPANIES.

PROGRAMME I.

Patrol Drill—May be adapted as follows:—Patrols fall in in file behind patrol leaders on opposite sides of the room to Captain.

Patrols, two paces forward, march.

Leaders to double-arm distance, extend.

Patrols behind your leaders, fall in.

Patrols, left turn.

Inspection.—It is advisable to inspect only one or two items each time, as it takes too long for patrol leaders to check up everything.

Football.—Game can be played with hands instead of feet, and ball rolled on floor.

Physical Development Game.—Enquire how much exercise Guides may take, as it is often dangerous to their eyesight for them to bend, etc.

Group Work—Long Distance Signalling.—Even long-distance signalling can be done if signal is repeated (*as signalled*) on buzzer and read by blind Guides and written down in Braille.

Fire-making.—Different woods can be taught by feel or smell. Fires can be laid, even if lighted by a seeing person.

PROGRAMME II.

Physical Drill.—See note on physical development game. Breathing and balancing exercises are good.

Historical Trail.—If there are sufficient seeing people to take Guides out, clues can be written in Braille and followed; if not, Braille slips containing clues to buildings,

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etc., of historical interest can be given to patrols and sorted into countries, towns, etc.

MENTALLY DEFECTIVE COMPANIES.

PROGRAMME I.

This programme needs no adaptation for mental defectives, except that all mental defectives will not be able to reach "long-distance signalling" standard, as many of them cannot read or write sufficiently well to signal this. Most of them can learn Morse well enough to signal isolated letters or short words; a few have actually learnt how to read in this way.

Only the really high-grade Guides can cope with a totally unexpected emergency. It is very often because they are mentally unable to face and grapple with the "unexpected" that they are in mentally defective companies. They can be taught and encouraged to practise what to do in cases of certain emergencies, and will reach a high standard of efficiency; but if asked to deal with a totally unhearsaid situation it is doubtful if they will be able to rise to the occasion.

PROGRAMME II.

The only adaptation necessary is regarding the *Historical Trail*.

This trail could possibly be followed if there were a Guider with each patrol. Alternatively, pictures of "places of interest" could be hidden in the Institution grounds; envelopes containing clues as to their whereabouts could be given to the Guides, or a rough sketch map of the Institution with these places marked could be given to each patrol.

POST COMPANIES.

PROGRAMME I.

Roll Call.—Guides enter date of receiving company letter beside their name.

Inspection.—Two or three questions—i.e., "Did you make sure your hands were clean before touching this Company Letter?" "Did you brush your teeth last night and this morning?"

Football Game.—A fairly small drawing of goal-posts in the middle of the page. Each Guide is told to shut her eyes, take a pencil and make three large circles in the air with it, and then see how near the goal she can dab. She draws a football round her mark, and initials it.

Patrol Corners.—A blank page for each patrol leader, to use as she likes.

Test Game.—In the last Company Letter the Guides were asked to tell of any emergency they had come across. One, whose mother was suddenly taken ill, had found herself obliged to take on the cooking for the family. As a test game in this Company Letter, pretend that two friends arrive suddenly for lunch. Captain states what there is in the house and garden, and asks each Guide to "prepare" a meal.

Physical Development Game.—This should not be included in a Post Letter, as each Guide must be considered individually in this matter.

Group Work.—(a) *Long-Distance Signalling*.—A short message, in Morse, is enclosed in an envelope. The first Guide transcribes it, tears up the Morse message, and puts her version in the envelope. The next Guide puts it back into Morse, and so on. One envelope to each patrol.

(b) *Fire-making*.—Drawings of various leaves (or twigs, or trees). Guides to name the trees, and say which would be useful for fire-making, and in what way.

Notes.—*Patrols in Council*.—A page of company news and an envelope for suggestions.

Home Shot, Vesper, and Dismiss.—A drawn horseshoe with the Guides' names round it, and a prayer or vesper written inside it. Captain draws her hand at the salute in the gap, and initials it. Each Guide draws a saluting hand beside her own name.

PROGRAMME II.

Physical Drill.—In some companies it might be possible to give illustrations of exercises to be practised, but in most companies this is best done individually, not through the Company Letter.

Patrol Corners.—Blank page for each patrol leader, to use as wished.

Good-Turn Tableaux.—(These should have been discussed in the patrol corners in the previous Letter.) Each patrol in the patrol corners in the previous Letter. Each patrol to make a drawing showing any form a good turn might take. The patrol leader starts the drawing and each Guide adds to it.

Historical Trail.—Outline map of (for example) some London streets, with little sketches of well-known buildings, etc. Scale given, and compass directions, and clues. An envelope contains a tracing of streets for each Guide, on which she marks the trail she has followed.

Discuss Trail.—Each Guide writes something she knows about any one of the monuments. (Captain will add points of interest in the following Letter.)

Patrol Drill.—Roll call as in Programme I.

Dismiss.—Draw saluting hand and initial.

DEAF COMPANIES.

These two programmes need practically no adapting for the deaf, who love movement and activity in their meetings. The *Historical Trail*, however, would be above the mentality of the average deaf girl, so far as the history goes, but very good training if it could be simple enough to cover items of local knowledge. It would be necessary for the leaders to be familiar with the district; once a deaf Guide loses the clue on a trail she is indeed lost, as she is not able to ask her way or make herself understood by strangers.

HOSPITAL COMPANIES.

(Both programmes are adapted for a company where some Guides are in bed, and some walking or in wheeled chairs.)

PROGRAMME I.

Patrol Drill and Inspection.—It might not be wise to allow the patrol leaders to take drill—even if it could be managed—owing to the children's state of health, but they could see that their patrols were ready, and practise saluting smartly.

Football Game.—Use a large soft ball or bean bag.

Test Game.—Pair off an "up" Guide with a "bed" Guide, the pair to act as a unit in the patrol. For such emergencies as putting a washer on a tap or mending a fuse, the real thing can be got from a builder and everybody can then practise.

Group Work.—*Second Class Guides*.—Signal from end to end of ward; the international method is the least tiring.

Non-Second Class Guides.—Guides can be provided with sticks and punk, and a newspaper to catch the bits, to learn fire-laying.

Notices, etc.—Guiders must see that no immovable member of a patrol is left out, and must carry messages for the patrol leader if necessary.

Dismiss.—A horseshoe is probably impossible, but the company might—with stretching—all link hands for the vesper.

PROGRAMME II.

(It often happens in hospital that Guides cannot all arrive in time owing to treatment.)

Physical Drill.—Substitute an action song, a game such as "O'Grady Says," in which everybody can take part, even if some can only move one hand.

Patrol Corners.—This will have to be managed as well as can be, depending on whether beds may be moved.

Good-Turn Tableaux.—This may have to be done in groups instead of patrols, the "up" Guides being divided amongst the "bed" Guides. It would take at least thirty minutes, as preparation for anything in a hospital company is a slow business.

Historical Trail.—Each clue could lead to a certain spot in the ward—a picture, or locker; when a patrol had unravelled a clue, one "up" Guide could go to the place indicated, where she would find an envelope containing pictures of some historical place; after two or three minutes' inspection of these another clue would be given, and so on. Each patrol should have different places in its trail, or a large number of the same pictures would be required. The places given should be local, if possible those the Guides might see if they went for a walk or drive from the hospital. Each patrol should be given a map, and find the places on it. The trail would take considerably longer than the time allotted in the original programme.

Discussion.—Descriptions of the places by the Guides, and questions.

Patrol Drill.—See Programme I.

A self-control game could be substituted such as some form of "Grandmother's Steps."

Dismiss.—This should be done with as much ceremony as possible.

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in their Guiding. Old Guides' Clubs should make a strong appeal to such people.

In Bedford we meet fortnightly, for an hour and a half, at 8 p.m. The annual subscription is 2s. 6d. to cover expenses of room, firing, etc. All non-active Guides are eligible and active Guiders with three years' service in the Rangers. The object of the Club is to provide social activities for its members who, at the same time, keep before them the watchword of "Service" and the link that binds us all so strongly together is our Guide badge and Promise.

ACTIVITIES.

Our meetings are purely recreational, ping-pong, deck-tennis and other games in winter, interspersed with a great deal of friendly chat, and in the summer out-of-doors games and hiking. On November 5th we had a fine display of fireworks, at Christmas we had our first party, which was a great success. But we are not always frivolous—for example we have had lectures on first aid and we hope to hear others on different subjects from time to time.

SERVICE.

We have become interested in a definite form of service—the adoption of the Post Guides in our neighbourhood. Some of us visit them in their homes or take them out for drives, others make pages for their Company Letter and we are ready to help them in every way we can.

On other occasions the Old Guides have helped in various ways at Guide functions, acting as ushers, etc. At the annual Guide Exhibition the Club sent four dressed dolls as "the St. Neots Quads." These were afterwards given to the Invalid Children's Aid Association, who wrote us a very appreciative letter of thanks.

Many are the ways in which we are able to be useful from time to time. The following, I think, is the most novel. Some time ago I was asked if I could provide volunteers to play a hurdy-gurdy outside a hall when a bazaar was in progress for a local charity. Four members of our Club offered their services. On arrival, no hurdy-gurdy was to be seen; however, nothing daunted they discovered its whereabouts, placed it in position and played it for three hours, realising the excellent sum of £3!

If anyone from Bedfordshire should read this article and would like to join our Old Guides' Club will she please write to me.

K. M. GRATTAN,
Recorder.

4, Goldington Avenue, Bedford.

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THE BEDFORD "OLD GUIDES" CLUB.

BROWNIES! Guides! Rangers! Cadets! Guiders! Old Guides! Thus the circle ever widens till there is a niche in this great Movement of Girl Guiding for every girl and woman in the land!

It is quite a mistake to suppose that Old Guides are elderly, decrepit people, on the shelf so to speak, far from it. The Old Guides' Club—Circle—call it what you will—is a branch for the Guide whose motto is "Once a Guide, always a Guide," and who feels the flame of friendship burning so brightly within her that although she may be unable to do active Guiding, she still derives enjoyment and benefit from mixing with fellow-Guides with the same ideals and aspirations as herself.

Now, scattered here and there, up and down the country, there must be many who have enrolled as Guides, who, for want of time and other reasons, are no longer active

THE CLIMBER

*With sweat and agony he sought to scale
Each crag and chasm; watched each glacier pale
Beneath him, and reached at last the brow, unreckoning
Of further heights. Yet, as he rose to cry,
To exult: "The world is mine!" he saw unfold
A world undreamed of; a world that filled his sky
With mountains mightier yet; that mocked him, beckoning
With peaks untrod and summits of virgin gold!*

BRIDGET LOWRY.

—From *The Observer*.

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spores, and one has the fun of getting the spore prints referred to above. Take a grown specimen, but not too old, cut off the stem with a knife close to the gills, then lay the cap gills down on a piece of paper. It is best to cover it with an inverted glass but that is not necessary. In a few hours the spores will be found to have fallen on to the paper. Lift the cap carefully so as not to smudge them and the pattern of the gills will be marked. The four colour groups are White (Leucospora), Green (Chlorospora), Pink (Rhodosporea), and Black or blackish purple (Melanospora).

It would be worth while to have a notebook of generous size. Draw outlines and colour them. Then put down any information you have discovered by observation or otherwise. Colour of spores if it is an agaric, where it was found, growing on what, the date, and any special characteristics you care to add. You can add other dates and places found. With many fungi the situation is always the same. The Birch polypore, for instance, is so-called because it is always on birch trees, or on fallen birch trunks. You would, I hope, be able to name the tribe of your specimen with the help of the list above, and the specimen illustrations.

Although, as said, the majority of the Ascomycetes are very small and require a microscope, there are some conspicuous ones and common. Look out for Elf-Cups, also for the Candle-Snuff Fungus which is common on old stumps.

If once you begin you are sure to become interested. There are such varieties of colour, size and shape, from the big chunks of Beef-Steak fungus on trees and Toadstools that become Toad Tables, to the small one shown growing out of a pine cone and the tiny ones growing on trees or out of fencing.

I have said nothing about the edible ones and the poisonous ones. My advice is to regard them all as *not* to be tasted. Their value as food is very small so go fungus hunting without any thought of their possibilities on the menu. The Death Cup is the one responsible for cases of poisoning reported in the papers. It is possible to mistake it for the common mushroom in the button stage. The beautiful and brilliant Fly Agaric, with its scarlet cap dotted with white, is also very poisonous. I have read somewhere that there is no fungus that grows on a tree that is known to be poisonous, which does not mean that it may not be very indigestible. An excellent book to start on is *Fungi and How to Know Them*, by E. W. Swanton. (Methuen 10/6)

SUGGESTED DEDICATION OF A STANDARD

When the time comes for the dedication, the Colour bearers shall march up to the appointed place.

In a dedication in Church or Chapel this will be before the altar as the Bishop, Priest or Minister shall appoint. If in a hall or out of doors, it shall be at a prepared place—a table covered with Union Jack, and the Guide World Flag is suitable.

Then shall the President of the Association or the person who is chosen for this purpose, hand the Standard to the Dedicator saying:—*

On behalf of the Girl Guides, I ask you

to pray for a blessing on this their Standard, a symbol of the Guide ideals and of their Loyalty to God.
The person appointed shall then lay the Standard on the altar or on the table on which are spread the Guide World Flag and the Union Jack.

The Dedicator shall say:—

Let us pray God to enlarge our minds and raise the vision of our hearts, that with swift wings of thought our spirits may reach Him, the Eternal Wisdom Who is from everlasting to everlasting. Let us thank God—

For the deepening sense of the spirit of fellowship.
For the development of the spirit of fellowship.
For the example of all who have given of their best in the service of their fellow-men.

For all opportunities for His service.
For beauty, truth and goodness revealed in art and craft and literature.

For all ways in which men and women and young people reflect the Love of God in the world.

O Son of God who wast pleased Thyself to be reckoned among the craftsmen, bless all those who labour with their hands, that their work may be done perfectly and thoroughly for Thy honour and so be rewarded with Thy approval, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit art one God for ever.

Here the Captain or other person shall say:—

In the Book of Ecclesiasticus it is written "The handiwork of their craft is their prayer"; in the Book of Isaiah, "Let them that are called lift up a banner"; and in the Psalms, "Thou hast given a banner unto them that fear Thee," and "In the name of the Lord we set up our banner."

A Commissioner or the Dedicator shall then say:—

Guides, you have learned from these passages from scripture that, in the past, peoples have delighted to set up banners for God. I am charged to pray for the Blessing of the Almighty upon this your Standard. Forasmuch as the Guides are bound together in Loyalty to God and in the spirit of honour, purity and service let us lift up our hearts to Him in prayer.

Here shall be said the Girl Guide Prayer of the County, Country, or Company—

O Heavenly Father, bless and take care of the Girl Guides everywhere. Help us all to be brave, to speak the truth, and to be loving, kind and helpful to everyone. And when we fail, may we always ask Thee to forgive us, and to help us to try again. For Jesus Christ's sake, Amen.

(This is the North-East Lancashire Girl Guide prayer.)

All stand at attention for the Dedication.

Then the Dedicator shall say:—

O Thou whose banner over us is love, bless and hallow we beseech Thee this gift of Thy servants; bestow upon them that are called together under it the blessings of goodness and honour, of purity and service. Sanctify their lives that they may ever truly be faithful to their Promises and to Thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

* If the Standard belongs to a company attached to a religious body the dedication will probably be done by a Minister of that body but when the Standard is for a District or any other group consisting of Girl Guides of various Religions or Denominations, then it is usual for the Commissioner to do the part assigned above to the Individual described as The Dedicator.

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, we dedicate this Standard that it may be a sign of our duty to God, to our King, to our Country and to our neighbour. Let those who gather under it go forth day by day in the spirit of service under the banner of His love who hath called us to bear one another's burdens.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

Final prayer all together—

Teach us, Good Lord, to serve Thee as Thou deservest, to give and not to count the cost; to fight and not to heed the wounds; to toil and not to seek for rest; to labour and not to ask for any reward save that of knowing that we do Thy will.—Amen.

As our Lord hath taught us, we are bold to say:—
Our Father . . . (etc.)

Then follows a hymn sung while the Standard bearers are given their Standard. If a chaplain is present a blessing may be added.

At the end of the service, "Jerusalem" is sung.

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orally preserved till recently, when their scientific collection by men of foresight, such as the late Cecil Sharpe, put them within the reach of all just when the traditional singers were dying out, due to the competition of "canned" music, easy transport, ready-made pleasures compulsory education, and other factors of modern life. Now there are hundreds of Folk Songs of every nationality compiled for our delight, and it is to the traditional singer that we owe their existence.

We cannot err in choosing Folk Songs for our camp-fires or other recreational purposes. Let us consider the various aspects of their appeal. To begin with, they cover an enormous range—Ballads, Shanties, Carols, Singing Games, Street Cries—all part of Folk Song when they have been transmitted orally through the ages. There may be variants in different counties, or, wider still, in different countries, and the tracing of these divergencies is in itself a fascinating study, just as we find endless versions of fairy tales and other folk legends. However, for Guides it is the *practice*, and not the study, of Folk Song which has true educational value. Folk Song is never slush or mawkish—it would have been too offensive to popular taste to survive; that which is left to-day has only survived because of its sincerity; it was not advertised by publishers or "plugged" over the radio in the manner of modern commercial music. It has lived because it expressed some inherent truth or emotion, told a popular tale, or recalled a well-loved scene; and if we find a Folk Song unintelligible to us to-day we must remember that it must have been interesting and "ringing true" to people in the past. One would not pretend that *all* Folk Song is supremely beautiful or of great artistic worth, but in every language there is enough that is attractive, even in this day and age, to suit every mood and occasion.

As a reflection of history Folk Song is invaluable; it takes its colour from the social and geographical background of the people. For instance, English Folk Song possesses a peculiar musical beauty, it has no great emotional range, it generally depicts a whole-hearted love of the open air, a joyous exuberance in the commonplace things of life, the quiet philosophy of the countryside, and a love of stories ending "happily ever after," with no trace of bitterness or introspection. Compare this with the rather settled fatality of Russian Song, or with the happy-go-lucky, jovial motives of Italian music reflecting an easy life under blue Mediterranean skies.

Simple, spontaneous, modest in size, self-contained and unpretentious in melody, Folk Songs make a natural claim on children's affection; they are easily learnt by rote, and are ideal for outdoor singing because they require no accompaniment. The dramatisation of Folk Ballads such as the *Raggle-Taggle Gypsies*, *The Dark-Eyed Sailor*, or *The Farmer's Daughter*, and the playing of Singing Games bring activity to Folk Music, and the wholesome enjoyment of the tunes is a sure weapon against cheap or debased popular songs. We know that when we sing our traditional songs well we are carrying on proudly an age-long heritage and, in my experience, one has to go far to find Guides or Scouts who do not get endless and effortless entertainment from the many forms of Folk Song—but it is up to the leader to present it in a worthwhile manner!

JANET E. TOBITT,
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Camp Edith Macy, U.S.A.

A SURVEY OF FOLK SONG

MOST of us sing folk songs at school or at camp fires and other recreational gatherings, but perhaps we do not have a very clear understanding of their significance and real place in the artistic and young; like a wild flower it persisted almost unnoticed until comparatively recent years, while its half-sister, Art Music, the hot-house plant, was brought to rare perfection by self-conscious musicianship, which often ignored the fact that both sprang from the same soil.

Let us consider Folk Song and its background. Its strictest definition is music evolved from unlettered society independent of harmonic support; its actual origins are often unknown. It has been described as the voice of the people become articulate in a poetical or musical way; its idiom is different from the popular ballad (such as the *Marseillaise* or *Annie Laurie*, written by a known composer and then caught up by the people to be their own), and still more different from the art song. Art Song is individual; Folk Song is universal—a record of what people have felt and cherished as appealing to their sense of the beautiful and worth-while. Although never originally committed to actual notation, and although in a state of constant flux, here a phrase changing and there the words being shifted to local application, Folk Song is permanent, and therefore modern; it approximates to the inherent good taste of the community and is expressive of its ideals.

Song is the natural outlet of human emotions. Years before the science of music, with its harmony, counterpoint and other technicalities, man sang, knowing nought of major or minor modes, of three- or four-time—he sang! It was with simple melody that the primitive mothers lulled their babes to sleep, and with it the labourer beguiled the long day in the fields, and to its rhythm early adventurers rowed on the deep. Spontaneous songs passed from one generation to another and were only

THE INTERNATIONAL CAMP

Held at Blair Atholl,
July 10th to 19th, 1937

SCOTLAND was particularly lucky to have such a camp site as Atholl Park in which to receive its visitors. His Grace the Duke of Atholl and the Atholl Trust most kindly lent us a very beautiful piece of land surrounded with woods and scattered with Scots pines, silver birches and other lovely trees. All around lay the hills, and close behind stood the historic towers of Blair Castle. Endless trouble was taken by the factor, the forester, and many other Atholl men, to provide the camp with wood, water and all other facilities. As well as this, a wing of Blair Castle itself was lent to the World Committee, who were catered for and waited on by Perthshire Guiders and Rangers, and were thus able to give the camp the pleasure of several visits.

The camp numbered rather over three hundred people, of whom between eighty and ninety were guests from other countries. We were lucky enough to have representatives from Australia, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Egypt, England, France, Iceland, Irish Free State, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, South Africa, Sweden, Switzerland, U.S.A., Ulster, and Wales. The Scottish Guides were chosen from each county, according to its strength and camping record. Every Guide in Scotland was eager to go, and the counties had a most difficult time picking their representatives.

In the old days of Highland warfare the clans were summoned by the Fiery Cross being sent round from the rallying place. This cross was made of rough wood; it was lighted in a fire and quenched in goat's blood. It was then given to one of the best runners in the clan, who went from house to house, knocking at the windows and calling the name of the rallying place. At each hamlet a new runner would take on the cross, so that the clans could be raised in an astonishingly short time, even in the most wild and sparsely peopled countryside. The twelve Group camps at Blair, all of which were called after Scottish lochs, were so spread out that the staff adopted a Fiery Cross system of communication, and whenever an urgent message had to be sent it was marked with a fiery cross, stuck in a cleft stick, and carried by a runner to the first group, where it was read, initialled, and sent on by another runner, this proving immensely popular.

Near the gate was the "Street," as it was called, where the Headquarters shop, the Post Office, the Enquiries



Two Representatives from Norway.

Office, the tea tent, and a tiny ridge tent devoted to the camp paper, made quite an imposing show. The canteen toured the camp daily in trek carts from its headquarters near the Quartermaster's store. The Post Office looked incredibly efficient, with its neat pigeon-holes and wire-netting screen, and was just as efficient as it looked. Not only did it deliver the post twice daily, but it was open all day for general business, and had a most complicated and effective method of dealing with snapshots. The Headquarters shop had an alluring show of equipment, large and small. The Enquiries tent dealt with anything from trains and unexpected visitors to people who wanted to know what to do with apple cores! The Treasurer and Secretary worked there, taking in money and receiving guests. The Equipment Department dealt with all unexpected calls for equipment (including a sudden demand for five ponies!) as well as doing tremendous things before and after the camp in collecting and distributing the equipment for all the Groups. The Transport Group had a very busy time, for they arranged all expeditions, kept the gate, and did any odd jobs that cropped up. The Hospital staff had, fortunately, less to do. Another group of workers who had less to do than was expected was the Interpreters' Staff: our guests put us to shame by their excellent English, and the Interpreters were generally discovered helping quietly with some other job, where their assistance was more needed.

Every morning before breakfast the campers were roused by the cry of "Papers," and all hurried out to get their copies—for this was the camp's own newspaper, *Mercurius Rusticus*, or *The Camp Spy*, edited in camp and printed a few miles away by the two Guiders in charge of the press department. Many people turned quickly to the back pages to see the latest camp jokes—an example of which ran as follows: Some French Guides were unable to attend the Camp, and a telegram was sent,

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"Four French Eclairuses not coming." The telegram, as received, ran—"Four fresh eclairs not coming."

All the Scottish Guides were very anxious that the guests should enjoy their visit and see something of Scotland. On their arrival in Glasgow they were given hospitality and entertained by the Glasgow Guides, who took them for a sail down the Clyde. It happened to be the day on which the King and Queen were visiting Glasgow, so our guests were also taken to see the Royal Visit to Bellahouston Park. H.M. the Queen caught sight of the party and, to the surprise and delight of everyone, she at once went over and spoke to many of

them. The following day they were driven to the camp in private cars, and given lunch on the way, as well as being entertained at Luss by Sir Ian Colquhoun. During the camp long and short excursions were planned for the guests.

They had the choice of going, among other places, to Balmoral, Loch Leven, Loch Rannoch, Glamis and Kinnaid, as well as several short expeditions and climbs. The guests were most charming and enthusiastic about it all; and, I believe, went home doubting whether it could rain in Scotland!

We had a central campfire almost every evening; the two most exciting were those held on Friday and Saturday nights, for the Chief Guide came to one and the World Committee to the other. The Chief Guide's talk gave tremendous pleasure to the campers, and on Saturday night several members of the World Committee gave their impressions of Scotland and their appreciation of the welcome they had received.

On Tuesday there were camp sports. The blindfold tent pitching was the most popular item, though the water-carrying relay ran it close, and we had one or two fine exhibitions of life-line throwing. On Friday the world-famous Mr. Wilson, of Innerleithen, brought three of his champion sheep dogs and gave a demonstration of their work. On Saturday the Perthshire county rally was held near the site, and the camp made a most appreciative audience at it. On this occasion the Scottish Chief Commissioner made the presentation of a Thanks Badge to the Duke of Atholl, and the campers were delighted to have this opportunity of expressing their gratitude to him, and also of showing their appreciation of the kindness of Mrs. Clerk-Rattray, the County Commissioner for Perthshire, who, along with the Guiders

in her county, had made it possible for the camp to take place in such ideal surroundings. Throughout the week an exhibition of National Handicrafts was held. Many of our visitors had brought most interesting specimens of the work of their countries, and a fine exhibit had been collected of Scottish woollens, tweeds, old creels, Celtic silver, etc.

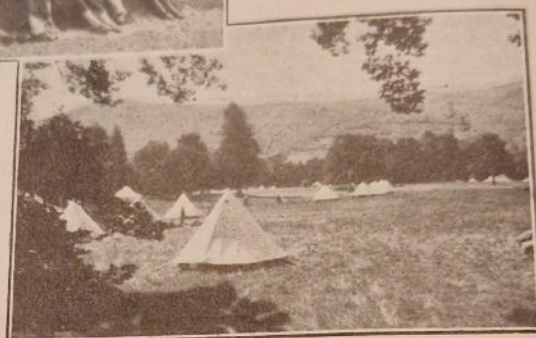
Probably the outstanding feature of the camp and the one which will longest be remembered was the friendly spirit which ran through everything. The Commandant had organised things so thoroughly and happily that one hardly noticed any organisation at all. Every country had sent us splendid representatives of their Guides or Girl Scouts, who worked together with our Scottish Guides like old comrades, so that when Mademoiselle Beley addressed us at Guides' Own on the final Sunday, we all most fully appreciated the message she gave us. She reminded us that this was not only "the end of a perfect camp, but the beginning of a better life," in which we would go home and help in all our countries to build up the spirit of international goodwill and friendship which will make for world peace.

When on Monday the guests departed we could all give wholeheartedly the old Atholl farewell, quoted at the final camp-fire by Mrs. Clerk-Rattray, "Happy to meet, sorry to part, happy to meet again."

K. M. B.



Expedition to Balmoral.



The Camp Site.

ENQUIRE WITHIN

Do Guides salute during the playing of the National Anthem?

In answer to your query we should state that at a purely Guide function, such as Enrolment, Colours in Camp, Rallies, all Guides stand at the salute during the singing of the National Anthem, but where an individual Guider finds herself at a big public gathering she need not make herself conspicuous by standing at the salute; she should then stand at attention. In church Guides will only stand at attention and never salute.

It may be interesting to point out that there is one other uniformed body in which all ranks stand at the salute, not only the officers, and that is His Majesty the King's Bodyguard of Archers.

HANDICRAFTS FOR GUIDES AND CLUBS

JOINT SCHEME OF THE GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION AND THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF GIRLS' CLUBS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF HANDICRAFTS.

HANDICRAFT ORGANISER: Miss E. M. Clark.
ASSISTANT HANDICRAFT ORGANISER: Mrs. I. Sonnis.
SECRETARIAL AND HANDICRAFT ORGANISER: Miss D. Brown.

UP till now the services of the Handicraft Department of the National Council of Girls' Clubs have not been available for the Girl Guides, but through the generosity of the King George V Jubilee Trust a further grant has been made to the N.C.G.C. for the development of Craft work in Clubs and Guide companies, and there are, therefore, now two Craft Organisers who travel about the country and a secretary who deals with the organisation of the department and helps with the work. By the terms of this grant, Guides will now rank as affiliated members of the N.C.G.C. and it is hoped that counties will at once avail themselves of the opportunities offered.

The work of the Handicraft Department is threefold and can be summarised under the following headings:—

1. Instruction.
2. Advice.
3. Publications and Sales.

INSTRUCTION.

Craft Organisers will visit various parts of the country for the following:—

- (i) Lecture Demonstrations on General Crafts.
- (ii) Demonstrations in Individual Crafts.
- (iii) Courses at Residential Trainings and Conferences arranged by Club Unions and Guide Counties, Divisions or Districts.
- (iv) Holiday and Summer Schools arranged by the Handicraft Department.
- (v) Judging of Craft Work.

Instruction will be given in crafts suitable for all age groups, including Rangers, Guides and Brownies.

If time allows, the Craft Organisers will visit Clubs, Brownie packs, Guide and Ranger companies, to see the Craft Class in progress and discuss the work, but obviously it is quite impossible to take individual classes for such a small group as one company or club.

The Crafts chosen by the Craft Department are of a really practical nature. We live in a mechanical age when almost everything can be bought (and very cheaply) ready-made, and we are rapidly losing sight of the need to create. Yet there is in everyone a real love of creation and thus we find that many things are being made for the sake of making rather than for utility. We have, therefore, to get back to the idea of creating because there is a real need for the things that are to be made. Everyone knows the satisfaction of creating something of beauty, from the youngest Brownie to the most senior Ranger or Club member. And that satisfaction is even more complete when, having created, the Craftsman at once puts his creation into use, whether it is a mechanical toy or the finest piece of embroidery. It is with this principle in view that the choice of Crafts is made.

CRRAFTS.

All companies and clubs at some time or another require *posters and notices* and, therefore, demonstrations are given to show that with a little help and advice it is possible for all members to help with the making of these. The use of a *fretsaw* is of inestimable value in practical Craftwork, as so many parts can be made for other Crafts and activities—buckles for belts, handles for bags, ping-pong bats, exhibition stands, toys, models, etc., etc. Brownie packs will find this especially suited to their requirements. The development of the imagination of a child of Brownie age is an important consideration and work with *plywood* and a *fretsaw* lends itself very definitely to this side of mental development. Work can be arranged along individual lines or in groups for the creation of *models*, etc., and thus the team or co-operative spirit is stimulated and encouraged.

Company Log Books, snapshot albums, design portfolios, etc., should be made, not bought, and in that connection *bookcraft* is another practical Craft to be encouraged. This includes designing of covering papers in *potato printing*, *lino-block printing*, *paste paper designing* and the covering of boards, boxes and corners. *Sewing and embroidery* are too often nowadays shunned by the younger members and this is very often caused, not from a real dislike of sewing but rather a dislike of the article to be made or embroidered. *Free-hand embroidery* (sewing without the use of transfers) is introduced by various easy stages through *patchwork*, *colour-running*, *cross-stitch*, etc., ideas for design in form and colour being acquired through *scissor cuts* in coloured paper. The desire to express form with a needle and thread rather than with a pencil will soon be felt and with that desire will come the need for more knowledge of embroidery stitches. Thus the making of a stitch sampler will be creation for utility as well as for decoration. Various ideas are given for simple lingerie decorations so that members may be encouraged to make their own underclothing in the same way that they knit their jumpers, caps, etc. Perhaps never before have materials been so cheap and yet so artistic and attractive in colour and design, yet the average person will always buy ready-mades! The making of *soft toys* is a very popular and truly practical Craft and is within the scope (financially and creatively) of most people, if they are given some guidance and advice. Suggestions are also made as to how some of the Crafts which require a greater outlay in expenditure, such as *leatherwork*, *weaving*, *stool-seating*, *rugmaking*, etc., may be approached. The Craft Organisers have had experience of teaching Crafts to all ages, so that the Brown Owl who is just starting her pack will, it is hoped, glean as much information and advice as the most experienced Guide or Ranger captain.

ADVICE.

It is hoped that the advice of the Craft Department will be sought on all subjects, especially the purchase of apparatus, tools, materials, books, etc., the staging of exhibitions and the arrangement of Craft syllabuses. The N.C.G.C. Magazine, *The Signpost* (published monthly from October—June, price 2½d. post free) is probably going to have a special section devoted to Handicrafts. As well as directions for the making of various things, there will be a correspondence column where questions and answers on all points connected with Craftwork will be published.

PUBLICATION AND SALES.

The Handicraft Sales Department of the N.C.G.C. has already issued a large number of leaflets (price 1d.) on all Crafts suitable for Clubs with designs and instructions for making various things. These may be bought singly or in a folder containing thirty-six (price 3s., postage extra). As well as the leaflets there are various other commodities for other Crafts, such as boxes of letters for posters, templates for patchwork, etc. These can be had by writing to the:—Handicraft Sales Department, National Council of Girls' Clubs, Hamilton House, Bidborough Street, London, W.C.1.

Please write for a list to be sent.

HOW TO ACQUIRE THE SERVICE OF THE HANDICRAFT ORGANISER.

It is hoped that, wherever possible, Guides will combine with the local Club Union for the services of the Craft Organiser. A list of Union Secretaries is now at Guide Headquarters and Guide Commissioners should get in touch with their local Union secretary and so learn of any visits that are being arranged by that Union.

Inquiries for the services of the Craft Organiser should be sent to:—

The Handicraft Department,
The National Council of Girls' Clubs,
Hamilton House,
Bidborough Street,
London, W.C.1.

and lists of the places being visited will be published in THE GUIDER.

The following charges are made:—

Handicraft Lecture Demonstration	...	7s. 6d.
Demonstrations of Individual Crafts	...	7s. 6d.
Course of more than one Lecture, Demonstration or Class	...	per session
Judging—1-240 entries	...	per entry
over 240 "	...	" "

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" 25th ...	Blackburn G. F. S. Training Week-end.
" 28th-30th ...	Birkenhead Union of Girls' Clubs.
	(There will also be one night in Southampton, not yet fixed.)
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" 7th ...	Worthing Union of Girls' Clubs.
" 9th ...	Middlesex Guiders' Conference.
" 14th-16th ...	Durham Union of Girls' Clubs.
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" 11th ...	Stoke-on-Trent Union of Girls' Clubs.

HAMMOCKING

by

D. E. KERR



"To utter strange incantations over grease-pits..."

THEODORA lives in the Province of Overcoat, and does quite a bit of Guiding. She doubts whether she could be called a good Guider, because she has never been able to take Guiding with due seriousness and

meet solemnity. In the early spring of 1937 she received an invitation to a camp for licensed Guiders only, and those Guiders were to have held their licence some years. She went about for some time afterwards greeting her friends thus—Hallo, are you going to the invitation

camp? and soon discovered who were sheep and who were goats. At the site arrived some forty of those who had got their licence in the dear dead days beyond recall, all agog to see how things had retrogressed since they had first learned how to utter strange incantations over grease pits and to take a correct stance for beating out a tin.

Theodora was a bit overcome to find a Commissioner of long camping experience in her Patrol. For those with a classical education, and who like to get an easy allusion now and then to convince them that the hours they spent doing Latin have not been entirely wasted, we will call her Augustissima. The said A. helped Theodora to pitch her tent, and Theodora noticed with relief that they were still hitting in pegs in the same way and, greater relief still, were still using mallets to do so. A. murmured something about a hiphole, Theodora

affected not to hear, and said in firm tones, "Where do we go for straw?" and A. said "Down there at the farm" and didn't look at all contemptuous. All craven fears were calmed, and everyone settled down to be a most cooked for themselves. Certainly, the small patrol system is fun, everyone gets so much more of the exciting things to do, and so much less of the unexciting jobs, such as washing up.

The chief event of the weekend was an overnight hike. Theodora had intended to join it, but not having had time to go up to the local Zoo, and practise carrying the elephant, she decided to stay in camp. The morning was spent delightfully in trying on everybody's rucksacks, and admiring the various kinds of kit. Everything seemed to be of the lightest possible kind, but there had to be so many things.

Theodora began to wonder could there not be some sort of compromise over bed and shelter, and suddenly she thought—"Why not bring a hammock?" The hammock could be knitted during those long winter evenings, when, outdoor activities being suspended, Guiders hibernate by the fireside. They could be in marvellous colour schemes (the hammocks could, though really what with these new bright overalls for ordinary wear and the variegated ties affected by some companies Guiders will look not so much a scheme as a medley), or they could be in camouflage tints, and could be very light and large meshed. Or again, need the hammock be netted; could not the rucksack unfold to become a hammock, and the contents, being neatly packed in oilskin bags, be piled at the bottom of the tree?

The tree—oh yes! Of course you would have to find a tree, a tree that lifts. . . . But think of all the things you have got to look out for anyway, and what's a tree more or less? The introduction of hammocks wouldn't make overnight hiking any easier, and anything that tends to raise the standard is a "good thing." From the mystical point of view, how much better to lie poised between earth and heaven, than to hug the ground; cradled in space what lofty thoughts would be ours—how sweetly we should sleep in the bosom of a tree. Instead of crushing the daisies and buttercups, we should be hurting nothing. Instead of agitating the blackbeetles and earwigs, or conversely, we could observe them with Olympian detachment.

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Having bagged your tree so to speak, and chosen the right branch, and slung your hammock; before settling up for the night, you must light a tiny fire, preferably of ash wood, underneath, and get into your hammock when the flames have died to glowing ashes. How cosy! How much less bedding the hiker need carry. How often have we not heard the expression, "I should just love to take that fire to bed with me," or "It does seem a shame to leave that gorgeous fire, I don't think I'll go to bed just yet." Well, ham-

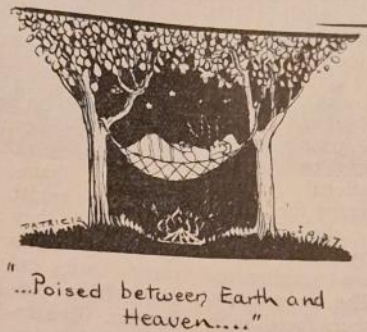
mocking gives you a chance of getting over a fire literally. But please note it is not suggested that this fire should be used to cook on, being necessarily rather near a tree. However, compared to the carrying of bedding and a tent for miles, what is the cutting of a mere sod?

What schools of thought would arise, what new ideas! There would be the school who would take as their motto, "We needs must love the highest when we see it" and would scorn to sling their hammock anywhere in the lower branches; and this would in turn cause a few new items to be added to the Camp first aid tests, again keeping up the standard. There would be the school who would look for rare trees. "It was a marvellous hike, we all found Acacia trees, except Mary, and she found a Field Maple. It was a few fields off from us, of course, and she didn't know there was a bull in the field, because it was rather dark by the time she got settled."

There would be the danger of arboreal snobbery, "What sort of a Guider is she?" "Oh, there's nothing against her really, but you know what I mean, she's the sort who just slings her hammock on the first tree she sees."

And there would be the birdloving school—breakfast would be a series of exchanges of observations: "I woke up at 4 o'clock, and I opened my eyes, and there on the end of my hammock was a dear little tree creeper, two siskins, and a hen."

Maybe it would be discovered eventually that you don't really need a tree for a hammock. Theodora can't quite see how this could occur, but then she was twenty-six years of age before she realised that you could boil water in a paper bag, and she was twenty-nine before she found out how to cook a dinner for two on the top of a tin can, so she does feel that anything is possible by the time she is forty.



RESULTS OF THE GUIDER JOURNALISTIC COMPETITION

(Continued from August 1936)

CORONATION RALLY. GUIDES AT WEMBLEY.

By J. M. TREVOR PAGE (London).

Highly Commended.

Six thousand Guides to see their Chief and celebrate the Coronation of their King and Queen. Did ever Guide badges shine more brightly over excitedly pounding hearts than on the morning of June 5th, when the Guides of London took part in their Coronation Rally at Wembley Stadium.



Six thousand Guides at Wembley.

At 3.45 p.m. a cheer went up from the spectators as 6,000 Guides, Brownies and colour bearers entered the arena to take their places for the opening ceremony. A roll of drums, the dipping of 133 Union Jacks and a host of young voices raised to sing the National Anthem greeted the arrival of the Princess Royal.

Episode followed episode without a waning of interest on the part of the audience. The eleven-year-old Saint George looked very small when faced with a formidable dragon containing some 120 Brownies. Courage was rewarded, however, the dragon slain and the Princess rescued. The Princess Royal was delighted with the silver totem, taken from the mouth of the dragon and presented to her by the Brownie Princess after her rescue by Saint George.

Hardly had the Brownies finished their Grand Howl and scampered away, before the arena was filled with a whirling riot of colour, which resolved itself into sets for Sellenger's Round, followed by other country dances.

How much there is to tell. A display of physical training by teams from London Schools and Colleges. The Overseas Pageant, representing the Commonwealth of Nations come from overseas to greet the Mother Country. Camping scenes. The Joy of the Open Road, picturing every conceivable means of transport.

The applause which greeted the wreck of the pirate ship and the rescue of its crew by the Coast Watchers was well merited, and when it was announced that the rescue, by means of a breeches buoy, was believed to be the first public demonstration of its kind to be given by women it was felt that the Sea Rangers were indeed to be congratulated.

International Friendship was a fitting follower to the

pirate scene, and when the Jolly Roger was replaced by the World Flag there was not a heart which did not involuntarily respond to the unspoken question "Is Guiding worth while?"

The peak of the afternoon was reached when Lady Baden-Powell, with characteristic understanding and unselfishness, declared her intention of walking round the outskirts of the arena. Block upon block of Guides and visitors rose to their feet as their much loved Chief approached with a smile and a wave for all. Programmes fluttered in greeting and the enthusiastic cheers surely rivalled those at the Coronation itself.

The proceedings ended with a massed camp fire, and at least one tired captain, on the way home, thought "I did not want a Rally; I blessed the unending preparations; but by all that Guiding stands for I have received inspiration this day, and I pray to God that my Guides have received some small part of this same message."

CORONATION ZOO PARTY.

By MABEL F. F. DICKSON (Edinburgh).

(Highly Commended.)

Edinburgh on Saturday, June 5th, was indeed changed. From every corner of the city swarmed crowds of

small brown-clad figures. Trams wore a genial look as if they were delighted to carry their excited little passengers. Passers-by paused to exclaim at the strange sight, and one heard on every side the words "Brownie Coronation Zoo Party."

For weeks, the Brownies had looked forward eagerly to this day, and now that it had come their excitement knew no bounds. Pack after pack arrived at the Zoo gates and streamed in to meet the already assembled stewards. These amazing people stood calm and unflustered amidst the bustle, and with no fuss at all each pack was provided with a "pack-pony." The latter, by the way,



A Sea Ranger Hoisted the Colours as the National Anthem was sung.

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was a biped, in fact, a Ranger or Guide whose mission was to guide the pack to the top of the hill on which the Zoo is situated, relieve everyone of their coats and food, collect their milk, and, in short, act as a walking hall-stand.

Up the hill the Brownies streamed. With unseeing eyes they passed penguins, sea-lions and all the exciting animals lay in the fact that they had higher business on hand. At the top, each pack halted, the bulge in Brown Owl's pocket revealed itself as red, white and blue reins, and the "chariot" was formed. Tawny Owl came behind as driver, while in front with a Brownie on either side stood Brown Owl holding a large box. This was not her "tea." Oh no! Its contents were very thrilling—woolly balls, dolls, scarves and all sorts of wonderful things all made by the Brownies as Coronation gifts to babies, old people, and isolated families in Canada.

The exciting moment had arrived. The band struck up and the packs moved forward. One by one they galloped up, presented their gifts to the City Treasurer and assembled round the platform. Looking round the mass of eager little faces, one was impressed with a feeling of unity, as if only one great pack was gathered there. A tense silence fell after all had presented their gifts. A Ranger hoisted the Colours as the National Anthem was sung, and then three lusty cheers for the King! When these died down all voices united again in one big "Thank-you" to the City Treasurer for coming. Each pack then squatted and had tea, the indefatigable "pony" having appeared from nowhere with milk.

After this, the Zoo was explored thoroughly. At last, everyone wended their way down to the gates, and clambered into the waiting tram-cars. There were signs of rapture on every side, and more than one wistful wee voice exclaimed, "Oh, I wish it was just beginning."

Surely no event, be it ever so elaborate, could be more deserving of the title "celebration" than the whole-hearted enjoyment of these little ones.

LANARKSHIRE G.G. CORONATION CELEBRATION.

By A. S. McNAY (Larkhall).
(Highly Commended.)

The Coronation Celebration for Guides in the County of Lanark took the form of a Camp Fire held at the High Parks, Hamilton.

This place is dreamland in May, and it was in the evening of Friday, 14th May, that we held our Camp Fire.

We entered by a beautiful old bridge which spans the river Avon, a tributary of the Clyde.

A green grassy path led the way from the bridge to our selected spot. Groups of stars of Stitchwort and golden bands of Coltsfoot brightened our path, Lady's Smock greeted us all the way, and the blue eyes of the Speedwells were ever on their watch.

Amid this intent watchfulness the silence at first was broken only by the love-notes of the birds. The mellow song of the black-bird could be heard as he slipped among the sprays of blossom. Bird life had become vivacious in the High Parks.

To this activity was added the chatter and laughter of

hundreds of Guides, who took their seats around the chosen arena. Wreaths of smoke curled from their midst. A stack of fire-wood stood quite near, and very soon a camp fire was brightly burning.

Clouds of smoke obscured our view of the lovely foliage for a little, but the sun shone brilliantly.

On the arrival of our County Commissioner, loud cheers of "Hurrah for Mrs. Forgie" rang through the woodland. Our

County President, Lady King Stewart, was welcomed with similar loud and long cheering.

Inspiring words of doing service to our homes, our Country, and our Empire were given by Lady King Stewart. A crown of gold lined with royal red was placed in front of Mrs. Forgie. Camp-fire singing began, and a good selection of Coronation songs was chosen. A short interval was then given for snaps, after which more camp-fire singing was entered into with much enthusiasm.

At this point we had reached the most exciting part of our programme. Guides were asked to stand and move round in circles towards the gold crown. Each Guide carried an ornamental bag or envelope, and in turn dropped it most carefully into a mysterious opening in the crown. There was a smile on every face.

By rotation again tea and cakes were served, at the end of which an announcement that £130 had been collected from our golden crown cheered the heart of every Guide and brought louder and louder "Hurrahs."

This was enough money to train two guide-dogs for the blind.

"While barrèd clouds bloom the soft-dying day," and the crescent moon took her watch in the sky, the Lanarkshire Guides bade their adieux with the singing of "Glory to Thee, my God, this night," "Taps," and "God Save the King."



The County of Lanarkshire Guides' Camp Fire.



MUSIC AND DRAMA



MUSIC.

Arnold's Song Book for Schools. Edited by Thomas Dunhill. (Edward Arnold & Co. 1s. or 1s. 6d. cloth.)

This is a collection of twelve part-songs, by such well-known composers as Holst, John Ireland and Hubert Parry, preceded by three traditional songs with descants by Thomas Dunhill.

The latter, which are delightful, would be well within the power of most companies, and the part-songs, though more difficult, would repay the time and work expended in learning them. J. S.

Rowing Song. By P. J. Mansfield. (W. Paxton & Co. Ltd. 3d.)
A unison song with a very definite rhythm and a tune that Guides and even Brownies would soon pick up. J. S.

Bird Raptures. By R. H. Walthew. (W. Paxton & Co. Ltd. 4d.)
A pretty simple two part song on the familiar subject of the nightingale, which would be attractive, sung at a Ranger concert. J. S.

Scrubbing and November. By Cyril Winn. (W. Paxton & Co. Ltd. 3d. and 2d.)
Both these songs would be helpful to the company, Ranger or Guide, anxious to improve its singing, as to be effective they require particularly careful phrasing and diction and would therefore be excellent practice. J. S.

The Barque Bows Light. By Alec Rowley. (W. Paxton & Co. Ltd. 3d.)
Another unison song with the sea for its theme, written somewhat in the style of a folksong, J. S.

DRAMA.

The Eve of Chalgrove and The King in Check. By Margaret Ashworth. (Oxford University Press. 8d.)

These two plays have their action in the time of the civil war.

The Eve of Chalgrove has John Hampden, who was killed in that

battle, as its hero, and describes his encounter with Colonel Hurry, a traitor to the Parliamentary cause, in an inn near Oxford.

Hurry is taken prisoner by the Roundheads, but Hampden's sister Beatrice, who loves him in spite of his proved worthlessness, helps him to escape.

The King in Check is the story of one of Charles II's many hairbreadth escapes when trying to reach France after the battle of Worcester.

It has a genuinely thrilling plot, and the two plays together would form a very good evening's entertainment. J. S.

Christian's Pilgrimage. By Edford Priestley. (The Paternoster Plays. Elkin Mathews & Marrot. 8d.)

This play, written somewhat in the style of *Everyman* or any of the old morality plays, is taken of course from Bunyan's *Pilgrim's Progress*.

The seven scenes contain plenty of action, and the various characters in a large cast are well defined. Besides being an introduction to a great classic, it deserves to be produced for the scope it gives for acting. J. S.

Puppetry and Puppet Plays. By Arthur B. Allen. (Allman & Son, Ltd. 6s.)

What child has not longed to own a model theatre! Surely the building of one, the carving and dressing of the puppets, and finally the rehearsals for a real marionette show are ideal ways of filling part of the company's winter programme.

Every Guide could do something to help. Those who were good neither at carpentry nor sewing could paint the scenery, while others would write the plays and prepare the musical side of the performance.

Mr. Allen in his book describes in detail and with copious illustrations the different kinds of puppets and the best ways to build a model theatre, and he also gives a selection of plays taken from Nursery Rhymes, Fairy Tales, Folk Drama such as *St. George and the Dragon*, and the story of the Nativity.

Puppetry has great educational value, besides being tremendous fun, and Guides should certainly consider it when making their plans for future meetings. J. S.

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Acting Improvised. By Robert Newton. (Nelson. 2s. 6d.)
Mr. Fernald in his introduction to this book says, "The study of improvisation will help the amateur to free his creative spirit."

This seems to be the greatest value of improvisation, for with no hard and fast rules laid down and no written dialogue, both producer and actors are able to experiment.

With many Guide entertainments, the children are liable to feel that once having learnt their words by heart, nothing more can be required of them.

Improvisation avoids this difficulty and is therefore an excellent way of teaching the art of expression on the stage.

Mr. Newton includes many useful suggestions for scenarios and has much to say of value to all interested in dramatic art, whatever its form.

Crab-Apple Harvest. A play for women in one act by M. E. Atkinson. H. F. W. Deane & Sons. 1s.)

This one act play for seven characters, all women, has for its setting a farm on the Dorset coast, where there is an old crab-apple tree growing close up to the windows.

This tree has, for as long as anyone can remember, brought a curse on all young girls living in the house, in that not one has ever been known to marry.

The way in which this curse falls on the new owner is very ingeniously contrived. The play contains one particularly good acting part and would give plenty of scope to the producer in creating the right atmosphere.

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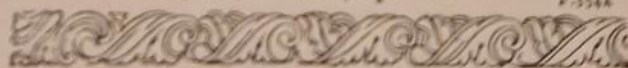
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AN OPEN LETTER TO CAPTAINS OF GUIDE AND RANGER COMPANIES.

Camps are over, holidays are over, and the weekly Guide meetings will very soon be in full swing again, and we hope that those Guiders Recorder up to now will do so before they get too busy with winter programmes.

All Guiders who read *The Guide* will know what we mean by Company Recorders, but those who do not see the paper each week will like to know something more about the scheme.

Recorders are chosen by the Court of Honour or by the company as a whole; and we hope, in time, to have a Recorder in every company in the British Isles, and as many as possible from overseas as well.

A Recorder is a go-between for the company and *The Guide*. She sends company news, special awards, photographs, and anything else of real interest to *The Guide* after it has been approved and signed by her Guider. She can also write to us for free copies for distribution and posters and leaflets which will interest the girls of the company in their own paper.

A form to be filled in by the Guider when the company Recorder has been chosen is published each week in *The Guide*. When it reaches this office a certificate of recognition is sent to the Recorder with a letter explaining her new "job" and its advantages to the company and paper.

The whole scheme has been working for about four months now; there are already 320 Recorders and the companies represented by them are realising how well the system works. Don't let your company feel out of things; choose your Recorder without delay; fill in the form in *The Guide* and send it in to "Captain," 17-19, Buckingham Palace Road, S.W.1. After that you will not have any need to worry any more for your Recorder will do all the rest, if you choose a good one!

BARBARA BLANDFORD,
"Captain" of *The Guide*.

THE EDITOR'S POSTBAG



GUIDERS WANTED. *To the Editor.*

DEAR EDITOR,—I am venturing to make another plea for Guiders in St. Helier, as we are still pitifully short of Brownie Guiders—Owls and Tawnies—and Guide Lieutenants as well. Guiding is flourishing on the Morden Estate and could be vastly increased, but at present we have not enough help even to staff existing packs and companies.

I should be delighted to give full details to anyone who could help in any way. Please give this your careful thought, those of you who read this letter.—Yours, etc.

E. N. GOAD,
Commissioner.

SECOND CLASS. *To the Editor.*

DEAR EDITOR,—I was very interested by the suggestion of abolishing Second Class. I put it to my company, as I thought the ideas of the Guides themselves might be helpful, and they discussed it in patrols, and then with my lieutenant and me.

One or two preferred to keep it as at present, but for the most part we came to the following conclusions:

The test is rather too long as it stands, but it is better for the Guides to have something definite to work for after they are enrolled; it gives the leaders something to teach; it is something everyone of them has to try for, and so does give a certain standard of efficiency. We should like further knowledge of the Guide law put into the Tenderfoot Test. (I, personally, feel very strongly about this, as it would do away with the parrot learning that is so difficult to counteract.) Also the 7 knots, and perhaps fire, should be included in the Tenderfoot, and Second Class to consist of:

1. Nature (6 things instead of 12).
2. Observation.
3. Good carriage.
4. Health rules.
5. First-aid.
6. Useful articles.
7. Bed.

And make Morse part of First Class.

I think these are all things that a Guide should know, and should be very sorry to see them done away with, but I quite agree that Second Class as it is now is a very long affair.—Yours, etc.

ANGELA BOLTON,
Captain, 1st Crowborough.

To the Editor.

DEAR EDITOR,—I am writing regarding the suggested abolishment of the Second Class Test.

We discussed it at a Guiders' meeting the other night, and the majority agreed with the suggestion.

As to the proposal of adding to the Recruit Test, we did not have time to go into it thoroughly, but I felt it was worth letting you know the verdict about Second Class. They felt Second Class definitely takes too long to get through; in fact, most of them allow their Guides to work for Proficiency badges before they pass Second Class, though they naturally don't wear them until they have their Second Class badge. I also got the chance of discussing the subject with a Ranger company, most of whom had come up from Guides. Their verdict was the same, and they confessed they had got bored with Second Class—were thankful when they managed to pass it.

Rutland is, as you know, the smallest county, and we have only seven companies and one Ranger company, but I felt it was worth sending in their opinion.—Yours, etc.

SYBIL LOWTHER,
County Commissioner for Rutland.

FIRST CLASS. *To the Editor.*

DEAR EDITOR,—I do so very much agree with what Miss Pasmore says about First Class, and I think the idea of a small badge for Guiders is a brilliant suggestion. It always seems very stupid to me that a Guider who has passed her First Class as a Guide shouldn't have the right to wear it.

I do think that something should be done, apart from this, to bring home to Guiders in general the importance of working for First Class in the company—so few Guiders seem even to attempt it.—Yours, etc.

DEBORAH GREEN-WILKINSON,
District Commissioner.



Must We?

THE CRIPPLEGATE INSTITUTE THEATRE.

Guiders will be interested to know that the theatre at the Cripplegate Institute, Golden Lane, London, E.C.1, is available for hire for dramatic competitions, etc.

The stage measures 40 ft. by 20 ft., with a proscenium opening of 23 ft. wide by 16 ft. high, and is equipped with modern apparatus and lighting effects. The seating capacity of the auditorium is 507—208 in the circle and 299 in the stalls—with additional standing room. Four dressing rooms are usually included in the hire of the theatre but extra rooms which are available can be added for changing.

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CAREERS



HOSPITAL NURSING—II

Last month we wrote about possible ways of filling in the gap between leaving school and entering a hospital to start the three years' training for the nursing profession. This month we propose to deal with different kinds of hospital nursing in rather more detail.

In the first place it is most important to choose a hospital which is recognised as a training school for State Registered Nurses, or which is affiliated to one. Many of the smaller hospitals in country places are now affiliated in this way and two years' preliminary training at one of them is allowed to rank as equal to the first year of recognised training at a bigger hospital.

This scheme may be particularly helpful to girls who are unable to go very far away from home at the beginning of their training or who would prefer to stay in a small place rather than go to a large town to train.

There is in existence a State Register of nurses. This includes the names of all who have taken the three years' general training and qualified successfully. There are also supplementary Registers for the following specialised forms of nursing: Sick Children's Nursing, Fever Nursing, Mental and Mental Deficiency Nursing.

It is usually advisable to take the general training and be placed upon the State Register in the first place. Specialised training can then be taken by those who wish to add to their qualifications, in a shorter time—one year instead of two. In the alternative case of nurses who have taken specialised trainings, such as Sick Children's Nursing, and are on the Supplementary Register, general registration may be obtained by a further two year training. It should be remembered, however, that although the General Nursing Council allow this in their regulations many hospitals discourage the shorter training and still insist upon the full three years.

There is no doubt that a nurse's life is full of hard work; that many of her duties are at first most distasteful and that she is brought face to face with the stark realities of life early in her training. In addition she is confronted with a bewildering variety of new duties, and new things to learn both practical and theoretical, but although nursing is still a hard profession, conditions of work, hours of work and hospital accommodation are improving rapidly, salaries are better than they used to be, and prospects are definitely good.

It is, however, most important that before beginning a girl should be convinced that this is her work and that it is worth while to get over all the difficulties so that she may be fully equipped to help in one of the most important professions open to women.

People often speak of the low salaries received by nurses and consider them out of all proportion to the responsibility and importance of the work they do; but they do not always recognise that this is almost the only training which is given free and that in addition to board and lodging being provided there is also a small salary paid during some part, if not all, of the training period.

In some of the big London Hospitals probationers are obliged to spend two or three months in a Training School before they enter the wards and for this there is a charge which varies with different

hospitals. In most hospitals, however, the probationer goes straight into the wards when she is accepted for training and there is no initial expense apart from the cost of uniform.

For the fully trained nurse there opens out a bewildering range of possibilities and prospects. She may remain in a general hospital and after further experience secure appointment as a ward sister and ultimately become a matron, or she may choose the educational rather than the administrative side and become a sister tutor or midwife teacher.

There are also many posts in private nursing, visiting nursing and in nursing homes, and some of these are well paid.

If the trained nurse does not wish to remain in ordinary hospital work there are other branches in which she may specialise. In the Government Service nurses are appointed in connection with the Army, Navy, Air Force and Prisons, and for those who particularly want to travel abroad the Overseas Nursing Service offers excellent prospects in the Army, Navy and Air Force (Foreign Service). Nurses are also employed in the Missionary Hospitals and Mission Teaching Centres, in Shipping Companies and in Red Cross International posts.

Nowadays many boarding schools and colleges are asking for nursing training as a qualification for matron's posts and for those who are prepared to undertake a further period of training there are openings under Municipal Authorities as Maternity and Child Welfare workers, Health Visitors and School Nurses. For the first three types of work the qualification in Midwifery, C.M.B., is essential.

We have not by any means exhausted the possibilities of work open to the fully trained nurse but the openings we have dealt with serve to show that the Nursing profession far from being a limited one offers a very wide scope and an interesting field in which the prospects are very promising.

THE ENGLISH FOLK DANCE AND SONG SOCIETY.

The English Folk Dance and Song Society are holding a special Week-end Course in country dancing and music-making for members of camping, rambling, and other outdoor organisations, with the idea of interesting these organisations and to enable leaders of groups to introduce it among their indoor and outdoor social activities.

DATES: OCTOBER 15TH—17TH.

The Society would welcome Guiders and Rangers to this course, particularly those who were unable to attend the special Guiders' Week-end held last year, but would point out that the instruction given will be elementary in character and chiefly adapted to the purpose of introducing English country dances to organisations which are as yet unfamiliar with them.

The fee for the course is 12s. 6d. (including tea on Saturday), and full particulars may be had on application to the Secretary, E. F. D. S., Cecil Sharp House, 2, Regent's Park Road, London, N.W.1.

HUDDERSFIELD ROYAL INFIRMARY

There will be vacancies for PROBATIONER NURSES at the Preliminary Training School on 1st November. Candidates will have a two months' course of lectures and practical work before entering the wards. They must be women of good education, aged 19 to 30. Three years' training. Salary: 1st year, £20; 2nd year, £25; 3rd year, £30; in addition to board, uniform and laundry. Probationers are coached throughout their training by a resident Sister Tutor. Federated Superannuation Scheme in force. There are also a limited number of vacancies for Nurses who have passed the final State Examination in Children's or Fever Nursing and who are desirous of a period of two years' General Training. Enquiries to be addressed to the Matron.

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Town Hall, Burnley.
27th July, 1937.

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PROBATIONERS REQUIRED. Candidates must be strong and well educated. For particulars apply to the Matron.

PLEASE NOTE: There are other Advertisements relative to "Trainings" to be found on page 381

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HEADQUARTERS TRAINING CENTRES



Foxlease

FOXLEASE

1937.	DATES.
September 10-17.	Guide Training.
September 20-27.	General Training.
October 1-5.	County Camp Advisers' Conference.
October 15-19.	Ranger Training. (Week-end.)
October 22-26.	Brownie Training. (Week-end.)
October 29—November 5.	General Training. (Commissioners.)
November 9-16.	Ranger Training.
November 19-26.	Guide Training.
November 30—December 7.	General Training.

Training weeks have been re-named as follows:—
 Guide Weeks ... Guide Training.
 Ranger Weeks ... Ranger Training.
 Brownie Weeks ... Brownie Training.
 General Weeks ... Covering Ranger, Guide and Brownie Training.
 Elementary Weeks... For Guiders of little experience.
 Refresher Weeks (for those who have already been to an ordinary training).

To include such subjects as Knotting and Splicing; Rangers; Brownies; Woodcraft (i.e. Stalking and tracking, observation and the use of signalling); outdoor work for town and country Guiders; practice in emergencies; First Class; and any other subject asked for beforehand.



Waddow

WADDOW

1937.	DATES.
September 10-17.	Prospective Diploma'd Guiders' Week.
September 21-28.	Guide Week.
October 1-5.	Commissioners' Week-end.
October 8-12.	Commissioners' Week-end.
October 15-19.	Guide Week-end.
October 22-29.	Brownie Week.
November 5-9.	Guide Week-end.
November 12-16.	Ranger Week-end.
November 19-23.	Guide Week-end.
November 26—December 3.	Guide Week.

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Applications for camp sites, giving dates and approximate numbers and with a booking fee of 2s. 6d., should be sent to the Secretary. All the sites have permanent shelter and sanitation, also drinking water laid on. The usual permission forms are necessary. No camps of over 50 may be held.

CAMP SITES.

Application for camp sites, giving dates and approximate numbers and with a booking fee of 2s. 6d., should be sent to the Secretary. Waddow has four camp sites with drinking water laid on. The North Riding, Canada and Cragg Wood sites include a permanent shelter and sanitation. The usual permission forms are necessary.

APPLICATIONS.

All Training weeks printed above the line are open for bookings immediately, but no applications will yet be considered for weeks below the line, as these are still liable to alteration.

All applications for a training course should be made to the Secretary, Foxlease, Lyndhurst, Hants, or to the Secretary, Waddow Hall, Clitheroe, Lancs., and must be accompanied by full name and address of each applicant, together with a deposit of 5s., which will be returned if withdrawal is made two full weeks before the date of the course.

It has been arranged that three vacancies should be reserved for Scotland for all training weeks until the 20th of the month in which the dates are first published above the line in THE GUIDER.

Further information applicable to both Centres will be found on page 380.

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THE GUIDER

HEADQUARTERS TRAINING CENTRES

[September, 1937]

GUIDERS, PLEASE NOTE.

Will Guiders please note that free places are available at both Foxlease and Waddow between October and April. Application should be made through the County Secretary, to the Secretary.

GRANTS ON RAILWAY FARES.

For return fare exceeding £2, a grant of 5s. will be made.
For return fare exceeding £3, a grant of 10s. will be made.
For return fare exceeding £5, a grant of £1 will be made.

(a) Where a Guider finds difficulty in attending a training course at Foxlease or Waddow on account of train fare, the following reductions may be obtained:—

(b) In cases where a Guider, who wants to go to a particular type of training week, finds that no such week is available at a time possible for her at the training centre nearest to her home, but is available at the other training centre, the difference between the two fares may be refunded by Headquarters.

In either case the application for rebate should be made through the Guider's Commissioner direct to Foxlease or Waddow.

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 charge for the cottage is 3½ guineas per week in summer, and 3 guineas per week from October to March.

The "Link," which is the bungalow furnished by America, contains three bedrooms, a sitting-room, a bathroom and a kitchen. The charge for the "Link" is £2 2s. per week in winter, or 2½ guineas per week in summer. These charges include light, coal and oil. Guiders cook and cater for themselves entirely, although, if necessary, a woman can be engaged to cater, cook and clean at the rate of 80s. per head per week, or merely to cook and clean at the rate of 9d. per hour, in addition to the above charges.

A charge of 5s. deposit fee is made for booking the cottages, and this is forfeited should the booking be cancelled. 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 cottages to wear uniform. Any enquiries should be sent to the Secretary, Foxlease.

WADDOW FARM.

The cottage at Waddow will be let by the week to Guiders requiring a holiday. It contains two double bedrooms and two single, a sitting-room, two bathrooms and kitchen. The charge for two people is £2 2s. a week (for one bathroom, sitting room, kitchen, and two bedrooms). For three or more Guiders, £3 15s. 6d. a week, and for others £4 4s. a week. The week-end charges are £1 5s. for two people and £2 2s. for three or four.

These charges include light and coal. Guiders cater and cook for themselves, but the gardener's wife is willing to board them for about 50s. per head if required. Applications, with 5s. deposit, should be made to the Secretary. Guiders wishing to bring their cars can garage them at Waddow by arrangement, at a charge of 5s. per week, or 1s. per night.

PRESENTS.

Donations: For the Garden, Southport, Birkdale and Formby Rangers, for Scotland Room, the Scottish Executive Committee; for Scotland Room, St. Christopher's Cadet Rangers, Edinburgh; Tea Table Cloth, Miss Smyth, N.W. Lancs.

PRESENTS.

Donation, Training Week (July 9th-16th); Book, Miss I. Goodman; Donation for Scotland Room, Scotland.

BOOKS RECOMMENDED FOR NEW GUIDERS.

Title.	Author.	Price.	Notes.
Girl Guiding	LORD BADEN-POWELL	2s.	The Official Handbook.
Scouting for Boys	LORD BADEN-POWELL	2s. 6d.	The Official Handbook for Boy Scouts.
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The Patrol System for Girl Guides ...	ROLAND PHILIPPS	6d.	Explanations of the Patrol System. Just revised.
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Colour Ceremonial	—	3d.	Pamphlet on Drills with Colours.
Games for Guides and Guiders ...	H. B. DAVIDSON	6d.	—
Brown Magic	V. RHYS DAVIDS	2s.	For Brown and Tawny Owls.
Education through Recreation ...	L. P. JACKS	3s. 6d.	For Ranger Guiders.
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MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL.

July 20th, 1937, at 2.30 p.m.

PRESENT.

Dame Helen Gwynne-Vaughan, G.B.E. (Chair).
The Lady Baden-Powell, G.B.E.
Mrs. Percy Birley.
Miss Browning.
Sir Percy Everett.
Lady Greig.
The Lady Rachel Howard.
The Hon. Mrs. Sydney Marsham, O.B.E.
Mrs. St. John Atkinson.

By Invitation.

Mrs. Cadbury (for the General Purposes Committee Report).
Mrs. Mark Kerr (for the International discussion).
Miss Leathes (for the Physical Training discussion).

The resignation of Miss Verrall as Secretary for Blind Companies was received with regret, and the appointment approved of Miss M. V. Wilson, of Yorkshire W.R.S., in that capacity.

The following amendment to Rule 3(b), *Book of Rules*, was approved:

Delete from "... and may recommend . . . as Guider" and substitute:—

"The Incumbent of the Church may make recommendations to the Commissioner in respect of the appointment or change of a Guider, but may not under any circumstances either appoint or dismiss a Guider. Decisions with regard to the internal organisations of the pack or company and the attendance of its members at pack or company meetings rest with the Guider."

It was agreed that the Guide Life Saver badge be embroidered in blue for Sea Rangers.

It was agreed that the verse on the Certificate of Merit be deleted.

The following amendment to clause (a), Rule 20, page 19, *Book of Rules*, was approved:

"Must be nominated by the Executive Committee of the local Association, or by the Commissioner acting on their behalf."

and that the same amended wording be substituted for present para. 1 under "A Brown Owl," Rule 31, page 25.

Routine and financial business was transacted.

The Reports from the Training and Camping Committee and the General Purposes Committee were submitted and approved.

The date of the next meeting, Tuesday, September 21st, at 2.30 p.m., was confirmed.

AWARDS.

Badge of Fortitude.

Patrol Leader Mary Eke, 1st Eastcote Extension Company, Middlesex.

Gold Cords.

Company Leader Eva Deboo, 1st Chilwell Company, Nottingham.
Cadet Patrol Leader Elizabeth Pike, 6th Dublin Company, I.F.S.
Ranger Patrol Leader Mollie Hills, 10th Guildford Company, Surrey.

Ranger Patrol Leader Edith Meek, 2nd Withington Company, S.E. Lancs.

Patrol Leader Elsie Davies, 4th Monton Company, S.E. Lancs.
Patrol Leader Phyllis Davies, 4th Monton Company, S.E. Lancs.
Patrol Leader Margaret Hampton, 1st Edgbaston Company, Birmingham.
Patrol Leader Margaret Pooley, 13th Cambridge Company, Cambridge.
Patrol Leader Edna Round, 2nd Gee Cross, Cheshire.
Ranger Maureen McKernan, 6th Hackney Company, London.
Sea Guide Cherry Pilkington, S.R.S. "Nimrod," Hants.
Ex-Cadet Patrol Leader Winifred Cooper, 49th Southport Company, S.W. Lancs.
Ex-Patrol Leader Myrtle Woods, 4th Ealing Company, Middlesex.
Ex-Patrol Leader Cecile Armstrong, 1st Anerley Company, Kent.
Cadet Ranger Joan Morgan, 192nd Cadet Rangers, Birmingham.

HEADQUARTERS NOTICES

GOOD SERVICE AWARDS.

A meeting of the Awards Sub-Committee to consider applications for Awards for Good Service to be presented next Thinking Day February 22nd, 1938, will be held on November 4th.

Applications should be addressed to the Commissioner for Awards, c/o The Girl Guides Association, 17, Buckingham Palace Road, London, S.W.1, and should arrive *not later than October 18th, 1937.*

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE.

A County Commissioners' Conference will be held at Imperial Headquarters on Wednesday, November 3rd, 1937, at 11 a.m. County Commissioners should notify Headquarters of any subjects for discussion not later than Wednesday, October 5th.

FILMS.

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NOTICE.

Mrs. Mark Kerr, International Commissioner, and County Commissioner for London, is away in the United States and Bermuda, and will not return home until the middle of October.

ALTERATIONS TO BOOK OF RULES, 1938:

The following amendments to POLICY, ORGANISATION and RULES for 1938 have been approved:—

Rule 31. Brownies.

Page 26, para. 8. *A Brown Owl.*

Delete and substitute:—

"Hold the Guide Second Class Badge, for which Owls must have a knowledge of semaphore, which may be substituted for Morse."

Page 26.—*Uniform for Pack Leader.*

Delete and substitute:—

"As for a Guide (see page 39) with the following exceptions:—

Tie ...	Brown.
Lanyard ...	Brown.

THE GUIDER

Page 28.
Transfer para. from top of page "A Brownie shall not pay for . . . pack" to bottom of same page and insert as first para. under "Brownie Badges."
Page 28.—The Brownie Law.
Delete "The Brownie. . . ." Substitute "A Brownie . . ." at the beginning of each Law.
Page 29.—Brownie Second Class. Section 1.
Delete and substitute:—
"Tie up and address a parcel for the post, using any slip knot."
And that this clause be transferred to Section 1 of the Brownie First Class syllabus.
Section 2.—Handicraft. Clause 1.
Delete and substitute:—
"Make some useful article which must include a turned-down hem sewn with a decorative tacking stitch."

Brownie Second Class Test. Section 1.
Add the following new paragraph:—
"A Brownie must have a practical knowledge of the rules of the road. Before she wins her Second Class, each Brownie must take Brown Owl or Tawny Owl for a 'Stop, Look, Listen' walk."
Brownie Proficiency Badges.
arranged, and placed in alphabetical order as in the Guide section, the groups of badges to be inserted as paragraphs under "Brownie Proficiency Badges," on page 30, similar to the paragraphs under Guide Proficiency Tests on page 42.
Brownie Artist. Page 32.
Delete 1 (a) and (b) and substitute:—
"Make in colours a pattern suitable for the decoration of a book cover, e.g., a Brownie Log Book."
Delete 2 (a) and substitute:—
"(a) A plant or flower and leaves."
Add to line 1, para. 3: "or pencil."
Brownie Weaver. Page 34.
Clause 5.—Delete and substitute:—
"Weave a useful article in wool, using either a heddle, a circular card-board loom, or a straight loom (not less than 10 in. by 7 in.)."

Gymnast. (Guide).

Substitute the following for present syllabus:—
"Guides should not enter for this badge unless they have been taught by a trained gymnast."

Under 16.

1. As at present.
2. As at present, but deleting ". . . and may include exercises with club-swinging."
3. As at present.
4. Be able to walk along the narrow side of a balancing form or bar, both forward and backward, with good posture.
5. Do three of the following in good style:—
 - (a) Climb a rope at least 14 feet.
 - (b) Somersault through and back between two ropes.
 - (c) Hand stand against a wall.
 - (d) Reverse hanging on wall bars or improvised apparatus.
 - (e) Under and over somersault on bar or improvised apparatus.
 - (f) Sideways travelling on bar.
6. Do three of the following in good style:—
 - (a) Cartwheel on right and left hand.
 - (b) Through vault (i.e., squat).
 - (c) Leap frog over high back.
 - (d) Wolf or Jack-in-the-Box.
 - (e) Bunny vault over box or two forms.

Over 16.

1. As at present.
2. Be attending gymnastic classes at school or some other approved physical training at least once a week.
3. Perform a table of free standing exercises approved by the examiner.
4. Perform two of the following in good style on the narrow side of a balancing form or bar:—
 - (a) Walk forward, throwing and catching a ball at every step.
 - (b) Walk sideways without support.
 - (c) Stand on form, lift arms and right leg sideways, replace, step forward and repeat, raising other leg.
 - (d) Walk with knees full bend and stretch every third step.
5. Perform one of the following groups:—
 - (a) Climb a rope at least 16 feet. Travel sideways on bar or wall bars both ways;
Travel backwards on bar.
(b) Hand stand unsupported.
Under and over somersault on bar or improvised apparatus.
Reverse hanging vertically between two ropes.

Athlete (Guide).

In Clause 7, the time limit for the three-mile walk to be amended to one hour.

Empire Knowledge (Ranger).

The first line of Clause 7 to be amended to read:—
"Act in a scene, or tell in an interesting way a story, from the history of two of the following . . ."

Folk Dancer (Ranger).

Substitute the following for present syllabus:—
Hold Junior Folk Dancer badge. . . etc. (as at present).
The dancer should be able to perform the six dances published in Volume IV, Graded Series, in any place in the set:—
Sage Leaf, Epping Forest, Childgrove, The Old Mole, Hit and Miss, Newcastle.
and also four of her own choice from the Coronation Country Dance Book:—
Gallopade, Speed the Plough, The Long Eight, Morpeth Rant, The Norfolk Long Dance, Circassian Circle, The Yorkshire Square Eight.

The danger will be expected . . . etc. (as at present).
Dances from any recognised National Dance Society's books . . . etc. (as at present).
The examiner should, where possible . . . etc. (as at present).

Dairymaid (Ranger).

- Class 1.—Delete and substitute:—
1. Understand the usual dairy routine with regard to the handling of milk, milking and preparing of filled churns for despatch or bottling of milk.
Class 2.—Delete and substitute:—
1. Understand the reasons for cleanliness with regard to handling of milk and the washing and sterilising (with steam or scalding water) of the utensils.
3. Any one of the following tests:—
 - (a) As present 2 (a) or
 - (b) As present 2 (b) or
 - (c) Be able to make clotted cream or Devonshire cream. Know how to market it attractively; or
 - (d) Have helped to make either hard or blue-veined cheese of the variety manufactured in her district, and be able to explain how it is done.

Farmer. (Ranger.)

- Substitute the following for present syllabus:—
1. As present clause 4.
2. Be able to take charge of two calves from weaning to one year old and understand how to feed them; or
Be able to take charge of two pigs from weaning until they are ready for pork or bacon market, and understand how to feed them; or
Know how to bring on lambs for early market, having helped to feed them.
3. As present clause 5.
4. Give a brief description of preparing a field for winter corn, giving the names and uses of the implements used; or
Give a brief description of the treatment of grass land in the spring for grazing and mowing.
5. Know when a corn field is ready to cut and carry, and the method of harvesting, with names of implements used; or
Know when to cut a field of hay and give a brief description of the process of haymaking, with names of implements used.
6. As present clause 2.

Nurse. (Ranger.)

- Substitute the following for present syllabus:—
Have a sound knowledge of:—
1. The feeding and care of the mother before baby is born.
2. Feeding.
 - (a) Advantages of natural over artificial feeding.
 - (b) Principles of weaning.
 - (c) Principles of artificial feeding.

Practical.

- Demonstrate at the examination:—
1. Bathing, dressing and handling the infant.
2. Making up cot.
3. Care of milk utensils.
4. Preparing suitable food for children from the age of weaning up to five years.
Bring to the examination examples of:—
1. Baby's laundry.
2. Making and mending baby's and toddler's clothing.
3. A plan of baby's and toddler's timetable.

GENERAL NOTICE

SCOTTISH HEADQUARTERS.

Everyone connected with Guiding in Scotland is requested to write for all requirements to the Secretary, Scottish Headquarters, 12, Melville Street, Edinburgh.

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TOADSTOOL, 9 in. modelled from Nature, orange or natural				7	6
colour				2	6
BROWN OWL, for Toadstool	3	6
plush	3/8 & 7/9	24

TOADSTOOLS

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