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## Hiking Develops Initiative



Undeterred by wintry weather these three London Guides set out on the first hike of the year—to Streatham Common, within six miles, as the crow flies, of Trafalgar Square. In an article on page 53 three Trainers suggest ways of encouraging hiking as a regular activity so that the Tenderfoot enjoys her first hike and gradually builds up her knowledge and skill for the First Class test



# Within the Commonwealth

## The Royal Tour

It is a terrific day for Australians because Her Majesty has just set foot on Australian soil—the first time that a reigning monarch has done so. This is how Miss Gwen Hesketh began her airmail letter on February 3rd from Tasmania, and she goes on to give us the exciting news that on February 22nd the Governor of Tasmania's two daughters, Susanna and Karina Cross, who are both Guides, will have the honour of presenting a Thinking Day Message to Her Majesty The Queen at breakfast. The Message was sent by the Chief Commissioner for Australia, Mrs. Fairbairn, on behalf of 40,000 members of the Girl Guides Association in Australia and Mandated Territories, including New Guinea, Papua, Norfolk Island, Palm Island, Croker Island and Northern Territory. It was hand printed on parchment in the three Guide colours—gold for Brownies, blue for Guides and red for Rangers.

A Message of Welcome to Australia (decorated with Guide badges, the Australian Friendship Badge and a map of Australia) was also sent to the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh from all members of the movement (including not only Australian girls but European, New Australians, Chinese, Aborigines and Natives of New Guinea) by the Chief Commissioner on February 3rd. Two Brownies, two Guides, two Rangers and the New South Wales State Secretary, Miss Macartney, handed the Message at Essendon airport to Captain Lionel Thrift, of the Trans Australian Airliner Convair, *George Bass* (an Australian explorer), who took it in his personal charge to Sydney, where it was handed to a Guide Guard of Honour at Kingsford Smith aerodrome.

On February 3rd, 4,000 Brownies, Guides, Rangers, Guiders and Commissioners watched the Royal Progress from the lawns of Moore Park, Sydney, and three days later 350 First Class Guides, Patrol Leaders, Queen's Guides, Rangers, and members of Headquarters' staff were invited by His Excellency the Governor to line the drive of Government House when the Queen left on one of her engagements.

In Victoria 1,200 Brownies, Guides and Rangers will line the drive of Government House when the Queen arrives in Melbourne on February 28th, and fifty members of the movement will be present when she attends the dedication ceremony at the Shrine of Remembrance. In country districts Scouts and Guides will form Guards of Honour and many of them will travel hundreds of miles to 'see the Queen'.

## Making an Illuminated Map

Are your Guides following the Queen's tour on a map—or even making a special one of their own? Map making is fun. Have you ever tried to illuminate one? The map-maker will increase her own knowledge enormously; it will create a lively interest in other countries and Guides will learn more in one evening by the fairy lights on the map than by hours of more laborious study. This is all you have to do. Get a good outline map of the world, or of any particular part of the world you want to talk about and study. Stick it all over on to thick, black paper or cardboard. With a sharp instrument, spike holes round the world's outline. If you have the complete world map, next spike holes (slightly closer together) around all Dominions and larger Colonies. Spike one good-sized hole at exact position of every Colony (not already outlined with holes).

Now to illuminate the Commonwealth: stick red sticky paper over all the holes relating to the Commonwealth. Turn the lights out and, with the rest of the room in darkness, hold your map in front of a powerful lamp. The world will shine with white shining stars, the Commonwealth will glow red. If you want to use your map to show 'World Guiding' it can be most effective if you spike a hole in the

centre of every country that is a Member Country of the World Association, cover the back of the hole with green sticky paper and these will then stand out like green lights dotted all over the world.

To complete the story, use another colour for those countries where there are British Guides running their own companies in foreign lands. The size of the holes will depend on the size of the map you choose to use. Experiment first with holes, coloured sticky paper and lamp until you get the desired effect. You will find that the stronger light you can use behind the map the better; some form of reflector is essential; if possible you will need to enclose your 'back-stage' in a kind of cardboard screen, or with small curtains so that none of the light from the lamp escapes, but all is concentrated on shining through the holes of your map. Miniature portable maps could be made with a strong torch for demonstration purposes. If any further help is required, do please write and ask for it.

## Queen's Guide Candidates Overseas Service

There is still a good deal of confusion over the new Queen's Guide test although it is in the latest *P.O.R.*, and there is also a Queen's Guide test leaflet (price 3d.) on sale at Headquarters. Prospective Queen's Guides, or their Guiders, are continually writing to Headquarters for 'addresses overseas'—no countries being mentioned. One of the main points in the overseas section of the test is that the Guide herself shall choose her country and then learn more about it, and only when she has done this will she be able to decide on a suitable gift. Candidates for the Queen's Guide test will find it a great help to have a pen friend in the country they are studying, and applications for this should be made to the Post Box Secretary at Headquarters, giving name, address, interests and country of choice. The previous paragraph makes it all the more important that Queen's Guide candidates should apply for an overseas pen friend in the Commonwealth as early as possible.

If advice about a suitable gift to send overseas is needed this will be given by the County Empire Representative, and only where there is no County Empire Representative should the Guide write to Headquarters. Guiders should encourage the candidate to despatch her gift parcel overseas in good time, and not leave this until the last moment of her test. Although it is considered adequate if the parcel is inspected and passed by the District Commissioner before it is despatched, it is infinitely more satisfactory for the candidate to have received acknowledgement from the country overseas. This is only possible if enough time is allowed, remembering how infrequent surface mails are to some of our distant Colonies. County Empire Representatives are waiting to be used. Please do not bypass them!

## The Chief Guide Comes Home

Guides of the Bahamas had their greatest thrill when the Chief Guide spent twenty-four hours on the island on February 1st and 2nd. Though her boat only stops a few hours in Bermuda we hear the Guides are preparing to give her a wonderful welcome. She arrives home in mid-March.

## Other News From Overseas

In Brunei the Sultan has asked that Guides should be started in Brunei Town and the prospective captain is training the patrol leaders and seconds for the new company. In Fiji, on the island of Rabi, ten miles from Suva, a new company of Banaban Guides speak no English so the Postmaster acts as interpreter. He has helped the Guides with knots and morse, and when sixty Guides went to Suva to see the Queen they went under his care.

M. VERA ARMSTRONG



# Making the Most of Your Local Library

I'VE been talking to my local Librarian recently, and though I thought I knew all there was to know about how to use a Library, I discovered that I still had a lot to learn. Let's begin with the various departments. First, the straightforward lending section—fiction and non-fiction. All fiction is set out on the shelves in alphabetical order of authors' surnames. If you want to discover whether the

The Library doesn't only stock books, by the way—if you are studying music you will probably find a mine of music scores, and, quite possibly, of gramophone records.

And of course all good libraries have a Children's Library quite separate from the main section. Story Hours on Saturdays and during the holidays and Children's Book Weeks are making these more widely known, and widely used, and helping the children to feel at home and happy among books from an early age.

This is all very well for the folk who live in towns, country readers will be thinking, but what about us? In many rural areas a mobile library service is available which, stationed at pre-arranged places on definite days, acts as a branch library for many villages. You can also obtain books by post by writing or phoning the County Library (you only pay the postage on the return of the book). Where, as yet, there is no good service in the village in a branch library or centre, or through the mobile library, Book Boxes are sent to organisations like the Women's Institutes and you can obtain full particulars of this service from your County Library Headquarters. I have run a 'Book Box Group' and know the value of it.

Finally, as a Guider, why not go and see your Librarian and ask how the library can help your Guides? In my nearest town the Deputy Librarian (who, incidentally, is an examiner for Badge tests) gives regular talks to young people. She would be more than willing to meet a group of Guides, in the library, and show them what it can mean to

them. It was she who gave me the following list of hints on how to get the best out of *your* library.

1. Use all departments and encourage others to do the same.
2. Suggest books not in stock if you think they would be of interest.
3. Ask for advice—it is always willingly given.
4. Visit libraries in other towns. (Did you know that you can use your home library tickets when you are on holiday?)
5. Ask for lists of books on subjects which interest you.
6. Elect the right Councillors to serve on your Library Committee.

ELIZABETH GREY



[By courtesy 'Lincolnshire Echo']

Members of the 'Bookworms' Club' at Lincoln Public Library queue up on a Saturday morning

library owns a book which isn't on the shelves, use the index or catalogue which is also in strict alphabetical order of authors' surnames. In some libraries the fiction index is not available to readers and if this is so at your library don't hesitate to ask the librarian on duty—she will be only too glad to help.

Non-fiction is a little more complicated, as this is arranged in subjects, generally according to the 'Dewey' system. Again, if you are keen to understand the method, your librarian will always help you. A good library will have an alphabetical index of authors' names, and also probably an alphabetical index of subjects in the non-fiction section, but these will only tell you what books are available, not (unless you understand 'Dewey') where to find them on the shelves.

If you cannot find what you want—ask the Librarian. Though once you have begun to find your way about the non-fiction shelves you will be surprised how quickly you know where to look.

The main Library, with its fiction and non-fiction shelves, is not the whole of the library. How often do you use the reference room? (I always find the assistants here particularly helpful.) And the newspaper room? Do you sometimes slip into the magazine room, and browse through the periodicals?

The library service doesn't even end at its own front door. One of its most valuable services to anyone studying a special subject (say, for a badge) is the Inter-Library Loans Scheme. If you want a special book and it isn't in your library tell your librarian, and it's ten to one she will be able to track it down for you at another branch, or in another town.

If you are at a loss for a book on some subject you wish to study ask for a book list. If you feel that a certain book *should* be on your library shelves, but isn't—ask for it to be put on the list for purchase. It is more than likely that your request will be granted and other people will benefit, besides yourself.



[By courtesy North Thames Gas Board]

A corner of the Lewis Carroll Library, Islington, where over 1,000 books are borrowed by children each week. Classes of children from nearby schools visit the library with their teachers to carry out 'research' with the help of books connected with a school subject

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## The Brownie Pennant

**J**UST lately there has been a good deal of discussion about the Brownie Pennant. Many people feel that we should have printed directions about its use. The Brownie Committee have given a great deal of thought to this and feel they would rather leave it, on the whole, to the Brownie Guider's good judgment. We do want to keep things as simple as possible for the Brownies, and not tie them up with 'red tape'. The main point to remember is that whatever is done should be done well and reverently.

The Pennant was discussed at the Brownie's Guiders' Conference last April. Here are some of the questions and answers that arose out of that discussion, together with further comments in italics.

Q. Where may the Pennant be used, other than in Church and at Revels?

A. Apart from Church and Revels it may be used in the club-room. Perhaps at enrolments. This is left to the discretion of the Guiders.

*(It should always be cased whilst carried in the street. See Rule 37, P.O.R. and the Brownie Ceremony leaflet.)*

Q. Will the Pennant ever be compulsory?

A. No.

Q. How is it to be carried?

A. It should be carried upright and the child should hold it with both hands. It should not be carried with a holder.

Q. Does it have an escort?

A. Here again the Guider may use her own judgment. A Brownie may carry it alone, or she may have a Brownie on each side of her.

*(Usually the Pennant is carried up after the Colours and handed to the clergy and placed in a corner near the altar.*

*There has been a suggestion that the Pennant be placed in the Children's Corner. There is no reason why this should not be done, but here again there need be no definite ruling.)*

Q. Can Brownie Packs make their own Pennants?

A. Packs need something worth while to take to Church, and while some packs might make leather ones, others might make poor affairs which would do them no credit in Church. Therefore, at present, if the Pennant is to be taken to Church, it must be the official Headquarters' one. *(The Pennant is expensive, but serious thought was given to this fact, and it was felt that as the request was for 'something to take to Church', we had to have something worthy to appear in Church.)*

Q. Can the Pennant be dedicated?

A. If that is what you wish, it may certainly be dedicated. There is no special form of service for such dedication. The service should be kept as simple as possible and arrangements about the form of service made with the clergy.

*(There have been requests that we should have the Pennant 'blessed' rather than 'dedicated'. The general feeling is that we can do either.)*

Q. Is the Pennant equivalent to Guide Colours?

A. No, it is not equivalent to Colours. It is not a flag and there is no ceremonial attached to it.

*(Nevertheless it should be treated with respect. On it is the name of the pack and the Brownie Motto. It is therefore a symbol of Brownie Pack tradition.)*

B. H. GIBBON [Brownie Adviser, I.H.Q.]

## The Ranger Service Star—Part I

*Hints and suggestions for the interpretations of Part I Ranger Service Star (see P.O.R. 1953).*

**A**S camping accommodation for sleeping on the expedition is now only one of the alternatives, it may be necessary to interpret the test rather more elastically, for which reason the following suggestions have been compiled.

**Collection of equipment:** The Ranger's collection of equipment should be suitable for one person for a variety of expeditions. It is therefore suggested that this should be judged on a previous and separate occasion to the equipment required for the specific expedition (Part 2). This complete collection will be assessed on its suitability and lightness and on the thrift, ingenuity and effort shown in the collection.

**Equipment for the expedition:** It is then suggested that the equipment from the above for the specific expedition of the test should be judged at the time of the expedition for its general suitability and compactness. Certain items, of course, can in this case be shared among the members of the party.

There will probably be queries on the following points:—

(a) **Bedding:** The provision of bedding should not necessarily be considered essential, but Rangers could be encouraged to know how to pack and carry bedding for use in emergencies.

(b) **Cooking utensils:** While it is appreciated that on some expeditions it will not be necessary to cook food, the well-equipped explorer would possess the necessary utensils for emergency use. It could also be pointed out that picnic meals also require proper planning, preparing, packing and handling.

**Borrowing:** It may not be possible for every Ranger to own all the expensive items, such as rucksack, groundsheet, lightweight tents, etc., and these may have to be borrowed, either from the unit or a private lender. In this case the

Tester should ascertain that the Ranger has made reasonable provision to borrow such equipment and knows how and where to obtain it in an emergency. All other personal equipment should be the private possession of the Ranger in question.

**Ways in which the capabilities of the candidate may be assessed from:** (a) The plans submitted beforehand. These need not be too detailed or they might cramp the exploration, but must, of course, give the overnight stopping place and approximate time of arrival and departure.

(b) The courtesy and intelligence shown in making the arrangements.

(c) The suitability and condition of the equipment.

(d) The meeting of the Tester and Rangers during the expedition.

(e) The rough record which is generally accepted should be kept on the route, though a well-documented log is not necessary.

(f) The alleged purpose of the exploration and whether it fulfils its purpose satisfactorily.

(g) A verbal account which can be given to the Tester.

### Sea Ranger Burgees

The Sea Ranger Section will be interested to hear that the Lord Commissioners of the Admiralty have generously given permission for the rope and crown surround to the ship's badge to be incorporated in the Sea Ranger burgee. Further details regarding the new design for the burgee can be obtained from the Heraldry Adviser, I.H.Q., and it is hoped that a transfer of the rope and crown surround will soon be available.

P. M. TAYLOR [Sea Ranger Section Adviser, I.H.Q.]



# They Haven't Learnt to Play

THE Swanwick goose was waiting expectantly outside the glass door and as the Guider escaped from the noise of the dining-hall she murmured:

'If seven trains and seven trams came hurtling through the air, Do you suppose', the Guider said, 'Their noise would half compare?' 'I doubt it', honked the tame white goose. Guzzling the proffered fare.

The Guider sank into an arm chair in a comparatively quiet corner to read for half an hour. An article headed 'School Holidays and Crime' caught her eye in a Sunday newspaper. The Chairman of a London Juvenile Court was concerned because the number of juvenile crimes mounted during school holidays. He felt that the responsible authorities should consider providing some form of guidance for outdoor as well as indoor recreation. 'It is no use', he had said 'spending money on open spaces unless there are organised recreational facilities to attract the young people'. The Guider read through the article more slowly. Somewhere there was a distinct challenge to the movement.

Memories of her own school holidays passed through her mind—long afternoons of play, sometimes alone, sometimes with one kindred spirit. No adult guidance was asked for. Their suggestions would have been far too restrictive. What small excitements became adventures in retrospect—the successful negotiation of boggy ground, trespassing on railway banks, exploring derelict buildings and old pit shafts, creeping up back entries and peeping with shameless curiosity at other folks' domestic arrangements.

Being chased by a bullock and tracked down by an irate farmer or sworn at with strange new words by some court-dweller whose scant privacy had been invaded were some of the high-lights of these expeditions.

None of them was bad enough for the culprit to be hauled before the Juvenile Court. The Guider thought of all the children, mostly boys, she had seen there. They were normal enough as a rule, though when they appeared in court they had an unconvincing 'scrubbed' appearance. If the 'authority' in many of their lives had been sufficiently steadfast, and 'organised recreational facilities' sufficiently adaptable to their needs, would they have found themselves in the disapproving atmosphere of a Juvenile Court?

What can Guides and Scouts and kindred organisations do to meet this problem? The Guider's thoughts strayed to an occasion some years ago. On a cold, wet night she had arrived in the County Headquarters, in a poor part of the town, to find a group of children peering into the hall. Acting impulsively, she gathered the boys and girls together and taught them an old, traditional singing game. The children quickly responded (if rather garrulous about each other's performance) and they had been happy.



'She taught them a traditional singing game'

Suddenly a policeman had appeared in the doorway and the children melted away like snowflakes on a warm window pane.

He came forward with amused tolerance. 'I understand you have been having a lot of trouble with the children round here lately'. The Guider had been con-



The Swanwick goose waited expectantly

sistent of the irony in his voice as she murmured hastily: 'Well—not tonight, thank you, Officer'. She had often wondered afterwards whether those children had remembered the game and played their own version of it. An idea slowly took shape. Supposing every Guider in the country undertook to organise one games' afternoon or evening in the year to which would be invited 'unattached' boys and girls from housing estates or overcrowded areas. It could be clearly understood that this was not a recruiting campaign but simply to give them ideas for spending their leisure. The Guiders could teach observation games, singing and dancing, tracking and knowledge of the neighbourhood.

Objections there would be, of course. 'Why squander our stock-in-trade?' 'There is no time'. 'The children would become more of a nuisance than ever round our club room doors'.

At this very conference had they not been reminded that the Founder once said our goal was 'to make Scouting and Guiding available to every boy or girl of Scout or Guide age'. Had he not also said: 'You have all the time there is'.

Just then the gong sounded for the next session. As the Guider hurried across the grounds towards the conference hall she passed the goose again. A cord struck in her mind and she continued the parody:

'If every Scout and every Guide should give up half a day To teach their games to boys and girls Who have not learnt to play, Do you suppose 'twould stop these crimes?' The J.P. said 'It may!'

D.B.

## Blocks for County Annual Reports

Some Counties have been disappointed to find that blocks of county events which have appeared in THE GUIDER, THE GUIDE and THE RANGER are no longer available when they have wished to borrow them for use in *Annual Reports*, etc. This is because blocks no longer needed at I.H.Q. are sold for scrap metal after publication. If Counties will make application within *one month* of publication they may hire the blocks for 2s. 6d. for a period of one month (or longer by arrangement) or buy them at a reduced rate. I.H.Q. will gladly co-operate, but it is essential for early application.

## Holidays or Camps at Lorne

Lorne, within easy reach of the sea, country or town, is open for holiday bookings during July and August. Fees are now 15s. a day, but for a party of ten or more the fee is reduced to 12s. 6d. per day. The boat trip is by night from Liverpool, Heysham or Stranraer. There are also two fully equipped camp sites. The charge is 30s. for an equipped site, with extra for hiring of tents and groundsheets. For further particulars apply to the Guider-in-Charge, Lorne, Craigavad, Co. Down.



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## Patrol Leaders' Training

**W**HY do not all of us who are Guiders in Guide Companies have regular Patrol Leaders' Trainings? It is obvious that the Company Guider is the person to train her P.L.s. She knows their difficulties and needs—perhaps Mary is diffident, Sally is bossy or Jane has a very bright child in her patrol and has a job to keep up with her. The time given to P.L.s' trainings is invaluable—not only for what is taught, but because it provides an opportunity for Guiders and P.L.s to get to understand each other and learn to work as a team. This, in itself, is training for the P.L. in her job of leadership in the patrol.

From time to time experiments are made with courses for P.L.s on a District or Division basis. (See 'A Training Experiment', on page 28 of the February GUIDER.) These are probably fun for the P.L.s, but are not as satisfactory as company trainings. One reason for this is that not all the P.L.s from any company can attend regularly, so it is difficult for the captain to follow up, even if she has taken the trouble to find out what training has been given. The personal training and work as a team are not possible, and, although no one would deny that an occasional training day for patrol leaders can be an inspiration, 'mass' train-

ings are not to be compared in value with company ones.

Why, then, are company trainings not as regular as they should be? Probably because of time. Guiders would like to have an extra evening with their leaders every month but, even if the Guider can be free, homework, music lessons, etc., probably make it impossible for the P.L. Sometimes it is possible to keep the P.L.s for an extra half-hour after a company meeting and this time can be used for Court of Honour or Leaders' Training. When this is difficult, or the extra time is needed for Court of Honour, I suggest that once a fortnight captain or lieutenant should take the patrol leaders for twenty minutes or half an hour during the company meeting while the other Guider takes the rest of the company. If there is only one Guider this is still possible, provided occupation is provided for 'the rest'. Making collections, preparing to act sometimes, colouring and cutting out pictures from THE GUIDE, and many other activities are possible under the charge of the patrol seconds.

Nothing can take the place of the Company Patrol Leaders' Training. Let us make an effort to make these trainings a reality in our company. The results will justify the effort.

GWEN CLAYTON [Captain, 48th Liverpool Guide Company]

## 'We Must Cut the Cost by Half!'

**W**ILL you save a little harder?' said Miss White unto the staff.

The Executive's behind me, we must cut the cost by half'.

See how eagerly they all join in and start the way to pave.

They are waiting to go further, will you come and help them save?

After reading this verse and looking at the illustration you can easily guess what the focal point of interest at Headquarters was in mid-February—a competition for I.H.Q. staff entitled 'My Pet Economy idea'. Exhibits ranged from the dust collected from a neglected typewriter to scribbled pads made from scrap paper, from warning notices to

'Switch off the light' to exhortations in an exhibit called 'Our A.B.C.' to walk up stairs:

'L is the lift that is always in use.

Why don't we all walk, and so save the juice?'

One of the most effective exhibits (it was awarded the prize by a member of the Executive who judged the competition) was called 'Hands Off the Telephone'. It showed a gun aimed at hands stretching out for the phone, a directory map and below a postcard and letter which the competitor suggested could often be used instead of a phone call.

The answer to the query I'm not quite sure,

So I'll telephone to Glasgow 314.

If there's no reply, I know what I shall do,

Telephone Miss Tiddlepush at Cardiff 632.

But, wait a moment, I think perhaps I better

Send a twopenny postcard, or even write a letter.

Hands off the telephone, unless in dire distress,

And so make H.Q.'s expenses grow less and less and less'.

Members of the staff were intrigued to discover just how much would be wasted by a number of very small faults—such as using a size larger envelope or sheet of paper than necessary. Their discrimination was tested by a competition, 'Is this economy a good one?' in which they had to be aware of false economies and give the answers about ten exhibits. Other exhibits showed that if twenty-four people use home-made 'jotting pads' instead of bought ones a saving of £1 10s. is effected and £13 a year is saved if the two hundred letters a week sent to Training Centres, branch shops, etc. are collected and forwarded in envelopes with economy labels on instead of new ones. On the other hand if Guider's berets are dispatched in corrugated cardboard and brown paper instead of in boxes the berets arrive in a dented condition and are justifiably returned by irate customers.

Economy is defined in the dictionary as 'management of concerns and resources of a state, a business or a household' and the 'judicious expenditure of money'. This exhibition was devised to encourage every member of the staff to see how this definition could relate to her work and if anyone can add to the many ideas produced by the staff, Headquarters will always be glad to have them.



Part of the 'Economy Exhibition' organised by I.H.Q. Staff





## Anne Crawford SAYS

*—success is certainly sweet, but hard work is the only way to get to the top—and stay there.*

### Jill Green:

I've seen your latest film, Miss Crawford. My goodness you were wonderful, and how I envy you. It must be heaven to be a famous star!

### Anne Crawford:

Well, success certainly is sweet. No one can deny that. But I wonder if people ever realise the years of hard work and patient determination that go to put your name in lights?

### Jill Green:

I suppose you mean stars are made, not just born.

### Anne Crawford:

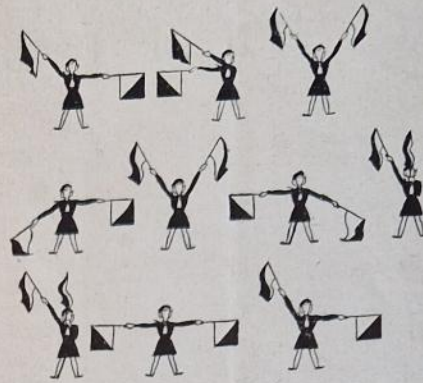
Well, some people are naturally talented, of course. But without the will to win, talent alone never gets you anywhere. There are many set-backs and disappointments in acting and you just have to have the determination and enterprise to overcome them.

### WHAT'S YOUR LINE?

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## Hiking—A Regular Company Activity

**F**IRST impressions, good or bad, are sometimes lasting. Do your Guides remember their first hike for the thrill of cooking on a wood fire and the enjoyment of eating out of doors or do they remember hanging about with nothing to do, trying to eat 'kippered' or uncooked food and returning home hungry and bored?

For everyone in the company to enjoy hiking it must be a regular company activity all the year round. Then there will always be Guides in the patrols able to help new members before, and during, their first hike. They will then learn something and enjoy it. One Guide can be made responsible for them on the hike. She can help them build their own fire apart from the patrol's, so that if it is a failure they will not be hampering the others or delaying the meal, but if it succeeds they can have the fun of cooking on it. In either case they will be happily and usefully occupied, and it will be valuable experience for the Guide tutor.

The next important point to aim at is a good standard when testing fires for Second Class. Training and practice for these should include (1) an elementary knowledge of suitable woods and 'punk', not only those recommended in books, but those available in the neighbourhood; (2) the meanings of the terms, punk, kindling, etc., with examples; (3) one way to remove turf; (4) the building and lighting of a fire, particularly how to strike, protect and apply a match without it going out.

'Cook on it' means something more than boiling a drop of water! Toast is a good test, and a slice of bread, with something to spread on it, is usually easier than other foods to procure and, if it is burnt or dropped in the fire, is less wasteful.

There is no need to practise all these things at one time nor to do them on a special hike. It is much better to take the items separately. They can be done indoors as well as outside in a garden or yard, according to the weather, and can be used as patrol competitions for winter or summer meetings. Suitable woods and punks can be brought to one meeting as a competition, and used the following week to build fires, with or without actually lighting them.

Have a competition for the best type of gadget for toasting bread. The experienced hikers will produce various ideas from which the rest will benefit. Turfing can be done the same way. Lastly, practise the whole operation out of doors, with special care over the clearing up. After this it should be possible for the Guides to pass fires for Second Class with a good standard, particularly if they have practised on their own, not only lighting the fire but cooking on it.



With the rucksac raised from the ground it's easier to unpack

In the period between finishing Second Class and taking First Class, the Guides will need opportunities for building other types of fires, using different woods and punks, trying out new menus, cooking with, and without, utensils, and collecting suitable equipment for hikes, including the First Aid outfit. Again, much of this can be planned indoors during bad weather and put into practice outside afterwards.



A helping hand up a slippery bank

If a good standard is maintained in a company the Guides will be keen and interested. Those taking First Class will require very little extra training and there will be a happy, confident atmosphere during tests instead of depression and over anxiety.

The standard of testing for First Class hikes may vary in details in different places, but the important points remain much the same everywhere, especially those under the following headings, which mainly affect other people.

**COURTESY** and thoughtfulness are often forgotten during any excitement and an opportunity for doing a good turn may be missed. Guides need a reminder about thanking those who have helped with the test, and about their general behaviour, especially to each other.

**CARE OF PROPERTY:** Permission should be asked before cutting wood, and a small saw used to prevent spoiling the trees. Do not remove turf if there are suitable bare patches, which must be cleared before use and dug up or covered over when finished with. If it is necessary to turf, cut deeply enough and remove a sufficiently large piece to prevent scorching the roots or surrounding grass. This also allows space for the billy to stand in the earth and not on the grass. The site should be left as perfect as possible even though it may mean clearing up other people's rubbish! Take the rubbish home if it cannot be burnt or buried. Use a sheet of clean paper to prepare the food on, not a groundsheet or coat!

**TO BE HAPPY** the team must be organised so that all have a share in the various jobs and know what is expected of them. All the cooking should be done at one time, as far as possible, and the food kept hot, so that the Guides sit down together to eat in comfort. Small squares are better than large groundsheets to sit on and kneel by the fire. The wood-pile needs to be within easy distance of the fire and the wood ready graded. The menu should provide a really good two-course meal with a drink, or everyone will



## THE GUIDER

be hungry. A simple meal, well cooked and served, is much better than something elaborate and messy.

APPEARANCE means how the Guides look to others. Whether camp or proper uniforms are worn they should be correct, clean and neatly put on. A coat or mackintosh is usually necessary in our climate. A small apron is a protection to a navy skirt and a simple cleaning outfit will be needed for a 'wash and brush-up' before leaving the site. Equipment should be carried in haversacks and rucksacs, not paper carriers, coloured shopping bags or just loose. Cyclists need to be just as careful as walkers, and may need a puncture outfit as well! Throughout the hike the site must be kept clean and tidy, with everything hung up if possible, or put neatly on a log or groundsheet.

COMMON SENSE is a very valuable asset. Discourage elaborate gadgets and unnecessary equipment. It is usually possible to make use of things found on the spot such as logs, bricks, etc. A knife, spoon and mug should be adequate tools for a meal. Use really small tins or waterproof bags for food, punk, first aid, etc., and don't forget a cotton bag for the billy or the black will come off on everything on the way home. Fire, cooking and eating need not take more than two hours—this leaves time for other activities before or after the meal.

It may seem that too much training is expected for this section, but is it so much? It covers the Guide from recruit to First Class, is essential training for all campers and includes quite a few badges apart from general training.

A. E. SALMON

### Suggestions for Town Companies

May I add a few suggestions for town companies who have real difficulty in getting out to anywhere approaching 'country'? First of all it will probably mean an expedition for captain, or some willing and knowledgeable friend, to collect leaves and twigs, but it is quite essential if town Guides are to have any idea of how to begin, on the rare occasions when they can do a genuine hike.

Next, the Guider simply must ask help from Commissioners and Guiders who either have large gardens or access to places where there are trees so that she can show branches and leaves to her Guides. Then the company can visit parks where they can learn to recognise the growing tree and 'match up' their branches and leaves. Interest in the shape of leaves and twigs may be aroused by plaster casts and smoke prints, but these handcrafts should never be a substitute for learning about real trees.

Most cities have waste patches, builders' yards and school playgrounds where permission could be asked to practise fire lighting, having first learnt, by trial and error, which woods burn best. From there the next step is learning to cut turf. The various shapes can be shown by cutting paper, but an effort must be made to go outside the city and really make fireplaces. Again the Commissioner and her friends are sure to be able to help to get permission to cut turf.

M. McCORMICK

### Begin at the P.L.s' Training

'Have all the pleasure of a camping holiday without the bother of it', runs an advertisement on a hoarding near my home, and it might be true to say of many Guides they 'have all the bother of hiking without the pleasure of it', because they set off with insufficient preparation. Can we resolve to remedy this and begin at our next P.L.s' training?

Ask each P.L. to arrive equipped for a First Class hike, except that she need only bring a menu and the containers in which she would carry the food. If each P.L. cannot bring the complete outfit ask each to collect what she can and from this the P.L.s can make up a set of suitable equipment. Ask the P.L.s to set out the equipment as if they were at the spot chosen for a hike and then give them points for discussion such as: 'Is the equipment suitable?' 'Is it too heavy?' 'How is it best packed?' 'How can it be shared between the number hiking?' 'Can the food be cooked easily and quickly?'

Check up on the P.L.s' knowledge of suitable woods for fire-making. Do this in the form of a game which they can afterwards use in patrol time. If practical, a fire-lighting competition would be excellent. Look over the first aid equipment and make sure the P.L.s know how to use it.

The next step is to encourage the P.L.s to go out and use their knowledge. If they are not very experienced a good start is made if captain can take them out, acting as the P.L. and the P.L.s form the patrol. After good preliminary training only hiking, and more hiking, will really produce good hikers.

F. MOLE

### The Prevention of Crimes Act, 1953

AN ARTICLE on this Act, by Mr. D. Francis Morgan, was published in the September, 1953, *Scouter* and, through the courtesy of the author and the editor, we publish the following extracts.

'The Act makes it a criminal offence, punishable by imprisonment or fine or both, to have with one, without lawful authority or reasonable excuse, in any public place any offensive weapon; and a constable can arrest, without a warrant, any person he has reasonable cause to believe is committing that offence if (a) he is not satisfied as to the person's identity or place of residence, or (b) he has reasonable cause to believe that it is necessary to arrest the person in order to prevent the commission of any other offence in which an offensive weapon might be used . . .

'Now for us the importance of all this lies in what risks a Scout or Scouter may incur by wearing a sheath knife (or a hand-axe) in uniform in the street or other public place. These risks are: (1) Of being arrested on the spot by a constable, even though subsequently acquitted by the magistrates of any offence. This, I think, is improbable; a Scout or Scouter in uniform, behaving himself properly, is unlikely to attract the attention of a constable in that way; and, even if he did so, would be still more unlikely either to fail to satisfy the constable as to his identity and place of residence; or to give the constable reasonable cause to believe an immediate arrest necessary in order to prevent the commission of some other offence in which the knife might be used.

'2. Of being found guilty of an offence under the Act. This again I feel unlikely . . . and it seems to me that it would be impossible for the prosecution to prove that the Scout properly proceeding on his lawful occasions intended to use his knife to cause injury to any person. . . . Nevertheless, the really safe course will be not to wear anything of the kind in a public place, but, if they do, Scouts, Rovers and Scouters will be well advised to use a great deal of common sense in the manner, and the occasions, of their carrying such articles. It would, I think, be very unwise to do so whilst, for instance, lurking in a dark spot at night, even during a Scouting game or practice.'

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## Notes of the Month

### A Display Competition

The importance of good displays at exhibitions or shows to interest the general public in Guiding cannot be over-estimated yet this publicity is often neglected because Guiders feel diffident at trying out their ideas.

To discover 'hidden talent' and to produce ideas which are effective yet simple to carry out the following competition has been arranged: Submit a sketch or sketches, not larger than 14 ins. by 16 ins. (preferably in colour), showing the lay-out of part of a hall or tent (not less than an 8 foot exhibit) to show the public some aspect of Guiding—woodcraft, Rangers, First Class test work, International, etc. Indicate the materials chosen, which should be as inexpensive as possible.

It is the idea that matters so if you are no good at drawing do not be deterred from entering. Entries should be marked 'Display' and should be sent to the Public Relations Department, Girl Guides Association, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London, S.W.1, by May 1st, 1954. The winning sketches will be exhibited at I.H.Q. and Book Tokens will be awarded as prizes.

When arranging displays Guiders may like to be reminded they can always obtain advice by writing to the Public Relations Department, enclosing a stamped, addressed envelope.

### The Princess Royal Visits the Trefoil School

The children and staff of the Trefoil School had a wonderful day on January 17th when the Princess Royal honoured them with a visit. As it was a cold winter afternoon the children could not be outside to welcome Her Royal Highness, so it was arranged that the car should drive along the front of the house where, at every window, boys and girls were cheering and waving flags.

The Princess entered the school by the dining room door where she was received by the Lord Lieutenant, Lord Rosebery, and by Mrs. Carnegie of Lour, the President of the Council of the School, and met members of the Committee at tea. Then the youngest Wolf Cub invited Her Royal Highness to 'come and see our house' and, led by a proud and beaming Jimmy, she set off on a tour.

Everyone had something to show the Princess and she was interested in everything—a dolls' tea party, puppets made at school, a film strip operated by a Scout, a Guide working a loom. The Scouts were delighted that Her Royal Highness knew all about 'Meccano' and the most exciting moment for one boy in bed with chicken pox was when she spoke to him on the telephone.

It was a happy coincidence that Guiders from New Zealand, Australia, Switzerland and Finland are at present working at the School. 'How many do you have on the staff?' the Princess asked the Guider-in-Charge. 'Not nearly so many as you would think today, m'am', was the reply, because of course the Guiders who come

regularly as week-end and holiday relief workers were all there. Every member of the staff was presented and while the Princess was shown the upstairs rooms the children were hurried to the dining room to be there to say good-bye and to sing 'Will ye no come back again?' as the car drove away in the darkness.

There will be vacancies on the Trefoil School staff in April and it would be most helpful if Guiders or Commissioners who know of suitable applicants will ask them to write for further details to the Hon. Secretary, The Trefoil School, Hermiston, Currie, Midlothian. In April two household staff members (one over 18 and the other older) are needed for housework (the rough work is done by daily women). Someone over twenty-one, who has had some experience with children, is required to look after them after school hours and another member of staff, for the same duties, is needed in May. There is also a vacancy for a trained nurse.

### Holidays at Les Courmettes

For all information about this international hostel, run by the Fédération Française des Eclaireuses, write to: Direction de Courmettes, Tourrette-sur-Loup, A.M. France. It is open from the Easter holidays until October and the cost of board and lodging is 650 to 750 francs a day. Coach excursions to the surrounding country can be arranged and there are camp sites and a swimming pool at Les Courmettes.

### What's On at the Training Centres?

Opportunities to make the most of outdoor activities with Brownies, Guides and Rangers this spring and summer will be found by Guiders at Waddow from April 2nd to 6th or at Foxlease from May 14th to 18th, when training will include scouting games, outdoor cooking, hiking and mapping. For the Easter training at Foxlease from April 13th to 20th, and at Waddow from April 15th to 26th, preference will be given to those who can stay all the time, but those who can only manage part of the time are asked to apply in the usual way as they will be very welcome if there are vacancies. There will be bird watching at Waddow in the mid-week period. The Whitsun trainings include a ten-day training at Foxlease and a week-end training, with sessions on Pack Holidays, for Brownie Guiders at Waddow. At Broneirion from April 2nd to 5th the 'Land of the Red Dragon' week-end (a follow up to the book) is open to all Guiders. Professor E. G. Bowen, Aberystwyth, will talk on Welsh Life, Dr. Parrott, also from Aberystwyth, will be in charge of the music section and Mrs. Lois Blake of the folk dancing.

### Good News for Husbands

Husbands of members of the Guide Club are invited to join the Guide Club as non-resident members. The annual subscription is £1 1s. and there is no entrance fee. Use of the Club is available from 8 a.m. to 10.30 p.m.



Jimmy Shields, a Trefoil School Cub, invites the Princess Royal to 'come and see our house'



## Census of Membership 1952 and 1953

	ENGLAND		SCOTLAND		ULSTER		WALES		GRAND TOTALS	
	1952	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953
Local Associations .. ..	1,164	1,134	305	372	28	28	130	133	1,627	1,667
Cadet Companies .. ..	158	157	16	20	3	3	6	8	183	188
Land Ranger Companies ..	692	681	94	82	23	27	39	42	848	832
Air Ranger Flights .. ..	40	43	5	4	1	—	—	—	46	47
Sea Ranger Crews .. ..	344	330	42	37	4	4	22	22	412	393
Guide Companies .. ..	8,377	8,394	1,518	1,518	234	247	384	387	10,513	10,546
Packs .. ..	7,812	8,040	1,544	1,581	217	228	353	363	9,926	10,212
Lone Companies .. ..	55	51	14	13	1	1	1	1	71	66
Extension Companies .. ..	302	319	55	56	13	11	17	17	387	403
Commissioners .. ..	2,151	2,183	524	524	80	87	185	185	2,940	2,979
Secretaries .. ..	2,907	2,934	222	231	59	51	188	213	3,376	3,429
Guiders .. ..	25,036	25,548	5,870	5,972	897	951	1,099	1,073	32,902	33,544
Cadets .. ..	1,586	1,620	161	202	30	27	43	53	1,820	1,902
Land Rangers .. ..	6,149	5,672	888	769	264	300	382	417	7,683	7,158
Air Rangers .. ..	388	355	56	41	9	—	—	—	453	396
Sea Rangers .. ..	4,083	3,855	464	388	65	67	232	254	4,844	4,564
Guides .. ..	159,570	157,951	35,520	35,537	4,826	5,123	7,179	7,460	207,095	206,071
Brownies .. ..	152,392	157,259	34,826	35,216	4,493	4,672	6,367	6,536	198,078	203,683
Lones .. ..	503	496	141	145	8	8	7	13	659	662
Extensions .. ..	3,516	3,802	600	581	139	142	213	211	4,468	4,736
<b>TOTALS</b> .. ..	<b>358,281</b>	<b>361,675</b>	<b>79,272</b>	<b>79,606</b>	<b>10,870</b>	<b>11,428</b>	<b>15,895</b>	<b>16,415</b>	<b>464,318</b>	<b>469,124</b>
<b>AGE GROUPS</b>										
Under 15 .. ..	298,487	302,022	66,519	66,452	8,590	8,970	12,884	12,968		
15-20 .. ..	31,817	31,150	6,137	6,968	1,320	1,425	1,623	2,034		
Over 20 .. ..	27,977	28,503	6,616	6,186	951	1,033	1,388	1,413		
<b>TREFOIL GUILDS</b>										
Guilds .. ..	397	440	33	39	4	5	10	13	444	497
Guild Members .. ..	8,256	8,514	828	968	161	180	183	200	9,428	9,862

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# From the Trainers' Notebooks



## Collecting Camp Equipment

**Equipment:** A collection of cards with items of equipment written or drawn on them, or pictures cut from camping catalogues. One set per patrol.

The Guides are in their patrol corners. A list of equipment is given to the P.L. or to anyone whom she may choose; one by one she demonstrates these items to her patrol by acting. Immediately anyone guesses she runs to find the card with the object on it and takes it back to her patrol and then the next object is acted. The first patrol to get through their list are the winners.

An alternative way of playing this game is for the Guider to have the list, the Guides going to her in turn to be told what they have to act. The one who guesses tries to get the card first to show to the Guider. Only one set of cards is needed for this, the total number of cards the patrol has gained determining the winner.

**Object:** Both games help the Guides to realise the items of equipment needed for camp, and their name and shape.

F.A.

## Not 'Any Old Rope!'

Rope is an item of equipment which is often treated badly, and is quite expensive to replace. When you buy new rope for screening, flag pole, etc., let Guides cut it into correct lengths, and whip ends with fine string of the company colour, or splice ends, and paint, or dip in dye of company colour. Guides will then guard it carefully, and it will last for years.

D.M.M.

## 'Ideal Camp' Exhibition

P.L.s and Seconds spend training evening making as many different gadgets as possible (either full size or a third.) At the next company meeting stage an exhibition; 'wash house furnishings here', 'tent furnishing here', 'stands for dixies', etc. Guides who have been warned to bring wood or taken on an expedition to find it, and have been taught the basic lashings, are allowed to make the one of their choice and each patrol then stages its own exhibition. This could be developed into a basis for a parents' pre-camp evening.

A. de F.

## A Compass Game

**Equipment:** One compass, one watch and some cards or paper for each patrol.

Patrols are sent out from some central starting point, each taking a different route. The P.L. is told she has a certain time to reach a spot some little distance away which can be chosen by the patrol. At the start the card is marked with the compass direction taken by the patrol and the number of paces, or the time taken, to reach the next point. Here some natural object can be hidden, to be retrieved by the next patrol. The patrol move off again in another direction, always putting down the compass directions, paces or time, until they finally reach the chosen objective. They then return to the start where all patrols should arrive at the same time. Cards are exchanged and each patrol tries to follow another's directions, returning when they have found all the hidden objects.

**Object:** Correct use of compass, observation training in pacing and timing. (It is as well to give each P.L. a time

limit which must be kept, leaving time afterwards for discussion and the criticism which is pretty sure to come about pacing and timing.

**Advantages:** This game takes the company out, gives the P.L. a chance to organise her patrol so that each member really takes a share, one with the compass, one or two with the pacing, another with the timing, others being responsible for finding the natural objects (leaves, twigs, fir cones, etc.) and drawing any necessary tracking signs. Even the newest recruit can really learn and help.

C.P.

## Woodcraft in March

Lengthening days give more opportunities to take the company out. For those who can get to parks, bombed sites, gardens or other open spaces why not try a patrol competition on 'the first signs of spring' in a nature log book? There is so much to look out for—the first celandine, colts-foot, primrose, the little red flower hidden among the catkins on the hazel bushes, the flowers on the elm trees, the lovely green tufts and, a little later, the red cones on the larches. Then, if the locality is suitable, there is the thrill of hearing and seeing the first migrants. Here Guides could note the date of arrival and, if possible, whether it is a cock or hen bird. The former are usually the first, some to their old haunts, others to stake a claim for a building site. (A competition like this does arouse interest and should prove good training in accurate observation.)

C.P.

## Night Alarm!

Patrols settle down for the night in their 'tents' (patrol corners), with coats and berets on an improvised coat-rack and shoes on a shoe rack. The lights are put out. On the 'Danger' whistle the Guides dress in the dark and find their way outside. Give points for speed, organisation and appearance.

E.D.

## Jungle Semaphore

The Brownies are explorers and are lost in a jungle infested with (imaginary) lions of the utmost ferocity. They are unable to see these lions in the undergrowth, but a friend in a high tower on the edge of the jungle can see them and signals advice to the explorers to help them to reach safety. Whenever 'W' is signalled they may walk quietly ahead; at 'F' they 'freeze'; at 'S' they shoot and at 'C' they crouch. The signaller continues until all the explorers reach safety. The Brownies generally find this game exciting enough without the introduction of any penalties, awards or racing.

A.B.

## What Can You Hear?

The Brownies divide into pairs or groups of three. Each group draws an outsize ear and cuts it out. They then go out of doors for about three minutes, each group as far away from the others as possible. Later they draw or write in their 'ear' all the things they heard in that time.

If they wish, the Brownies can all cut out an 'ear' and, during the week, make a note in it of the three most beautiful sounds they hear and compare notes at the next pow-wow.

A.B.



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# Headquarters' Notices

## The Finance Scheme

As announced last month a list of the proposals for raising money that have been received at I.H.Q. is published below, with the exception of those that would involve Guides in begging or selling.

The most frequent suggestion was the 'Willing Shilling' week or fortnight. One Division reported a successful week in conjunction with the Scouts, while others were in favour of an autumn date so as not to encroach on the Scouts' effort. In addition to official cards carried by Guides seeking jobs one County had used a window card through which householders could advertise their offer of a job to Guides, and another had given out window cards on the completion of jobs so that the same household would not be asked a second time.

Some counties suggested a competitive effort. Varieties of this included a crossword competition, a 'talents' scheme whereby every Guide should be given 6d. or 1s. out of which to make as much as possible in a given time, or simply a competition between Divisions to make what they could in their own way.

Several counties wanted one big money-raising event annually—a première, dance, sale of work, or a show given by past members of the movement who were now in professions, or an annual effort by the Local Association.

Various ideas for local appeals included a 'Friends of Guiding' scheme of annual subscriptions collected by a voluntary person not in uniform; an appeal to parents, or to past members of the movement to help the younger generation; an effort to collect covenanters who would pay £1 each.

One county also suggested a Coronation Coins collection. The idea is that the new coins of this reign (which are now in circulation) should be collected as they come into the ownership of any given individual, and the corresponding amount marked on the card is crossed off so that when each card is completed the sum of 6s. 4½d. is in hand in the new coins. Where this scheme is applied to Guides (in patrols or companies) the coin would no doubt have to be earned but it could still be changed at the bank for its counterpart in the new minting.

## 'The Guide'

There have been many letters from readers of THE GUIDE saying how much they enjoy the paper but asking that it should be increased in size. This is one of the few children's papers, if not the only one, that has not been raised in price since the war. Indeed, it has been published at 2d. ever since its inception in 1921. Since materials increased in price the paper has not paid, so that it can only be enlarged and improved if the price is raised. It has therefore been decided that the price will be increased to 3d. from April 2nd and, for the present, one issue each month will be larger. As soon as sufficient reserves have been built up larger issues will become more frequent.

THE GUIDER has been making a profit which has, to some extent, been used to supplement THE GUIDE. It is the intention that each paper should be financially independent and the profit on THE GUIDER should be used to improve itself.

The result of this change of policy will not be seen immediately

but it will help us to attain this objective, as well as to improve THE GUIDE, if Guiders will explain to their Guides who already take the paper the reason for the increase and encourage new readers to take it regularly. The larger the circulation the better value we can give you for the money.

## Coming Events

**The Empire Circle.** There will be a talk by Miss Carmen Peterkin, of British Guiana, and a social at the Guide Club, 46 Belgrave Square, London, S.W.1, on Wednesday, March 24th, at 6.30 p.m. (If any Empire Circle member would like to help by making a cake or biscuits for that evening would she let Mrs. Benjamin, Briavels, Downs Hill Road, Epsom, Surrey, know by March 20th).

**Presbyterian Church of England.** The Youth Offices of the Presbyterian Church of England are arranging a meeting of Scouters and Guiders at Girl Guide Headquarters on Saturday, March 13th, 1954. Any Guiders interested are invited to write for details to: Miss M. Simpkins, Presbyterian Church of England, 134 George Street, London, W.1.

**Retreats for Church of England Guiders:** The Church of England Youth Council has arranged the following retreats for Guiders of England Guiders: The Diocesan House, St. Albans, from April 30th—May 2nd. The Old House, Cropthorne, near Pershore, Worcestershire, from May 14th—16th (*Conductor:* The Rev. B. L. Spurgin). The fee in each case is 30s. which includes a booking fee of 2s. 6d. (not returnable). Bookings and programmes from Miss Thompson, Little Meadow, Burcot, Bromsgrove.

**Empire Youth Sunday:** Under the Patronage of H.M. the Queen, Empire Youth Sunday will be observed on May 30th, 1954. Procedure for the distribution of the Queen's message and particulars of the special orders of service are given in a leaflet, 'Empire Youth Sunday, May 30th, 1954', which may be obtained free from the Secretary, Empire Youth Sunday Committee, 44 Rutland Court, Denmark Hill, London, S.E.5 (Telephone: Brixton 1524). The leaflet also gives addresses of organisations to consult about speakers, Empire visitors and pen-friendships.

**Ranger Advisers' Conference.** It is proposed to hold a representative conference of Rangers Advisers at I.H.Q. on February 5th—6th, 1955. Subjects for discussion should be sent to the Secretary, Branches Office, I.H.Q., as soon as possible and not later than the end of April, 1954. Countries will announce later details of preliminary conferences to be held in various areas.

## In Memoriam

Mrs. Isobel Marsden, who died on January 15th, was believed to be the first woman in the country to become a Scoutmaster. She ran a troop at Drewsteignton, and later at St. Marychurch, also serving as a member of the Boy Scouts County Executive. Mrs. Marsden's outstanding record of service to Guiding began in 1914 when she was appointed Captain of the 1st Drewsteignton Company, a post which she held until 1923. Later she became Captain of the 1st St. Marychurch Guides and Rangers and Commissioner for St. Marychurch and Babbacombe District. In 1919 she was awarded the Certificate of Merit and in 1935

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the Beaver. In the same year she became President for the Torquay Guide Association and the County Recorder for Old Guides.

Miss Frances Gotch Robinson, who died on December 23rd, 1953, was a member of the Executive Committee and the Council and County Commissioner for Bristol for twenty years, and under her leadership the Guide movement increased in public prestige in that city. Not quick to praise, she had a commanding manner which expected the best from those she led and she nearly always got it. Her fearless attitude and sense of responsibility expressed itself in work for girls' clubs which she started in the slums of Bristol at the end of last century and in mothers' schools and infant welfare. Impatient of trivialities, she saw through humbug and laughed at the pompous. Her friends were everywhere because her help was always practical and generous.

### Notice Board

**An All England Schools' Camp** will be held at Foxlease from Friday, July 23rd to Friday, July 30th, 1954. The purpose of this camp is to provide a meeting ground for Guides from boarding school companies and Lone Guides who are at boarding schools. Applications from day school companies may be considered if space allows.

The camp will be run in groups and a Ranger and Cadet group will be arranged if there is a demand for one. The number of places will be limited at first to four from any one company, but an extra two names may be sent in which may be accepted if space permits, making a total number of six for any one company. It will help very much with the planning if Captains of interested school companies (or Lone Captains with interested Guides) will send a postcard at once, or by April 10th at the latest, to the Assistant Adviser for Guides, England, Miss Morrison, Girl Guides Association, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London, S.W.1.

**County Week-ends at Foxlease and Waddow, 1955.** Applications for County Week-ends at the Training Centres in 1955 should reach the Secretary, Imperial Training Department at Headquarters by June 30th, 1954.

**Omission from C.A. List, 1954.** Under South-West Area please add: Jersey: Island C.A. (Admin.), Mrs. Biddle, Solnet, Greve d'Azette, Jersey. (No site correspondence.) Island Camp Recorder, Mrs. J. Barnes, Highlands, St. Annes, Bellozanne, Jersey (all correspondence).

**The Extension Section Competitions** will be held for the hospital and physically handicapped group Brownies and Guides and the Post Group Rangers and Guides. The Hospital Guides are asked to make equipment for a Brownie pack and the Brownies a model to illustrate the 'Rules of the Road'. Post Rangers will collect pictures and information about the Queen's tour so that they can enter their record books and Post Guides will visit an imaginary island. Details of all the competitions can be obtained from the Extension Secretary, I.H.Q.

**The Committee of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts** is meeting in London from March 22nd to 27th. The Chief Commissioner hopes to entertain members of the Committee at I.H.Q. during that week, but on this occasion it will not be possible for members of the Committee to accept hospitality or to see anything of British Guiding.

**Vacancies at Our Chalet:** There are some vacancies from May 23rd-June 3rd. Applications should be made as soon as possible to the Secretary, Our Chalet, Adelboden, Switzerland, enclosing the Commissioner's recommendation and an international reply coupon.

### New Publications

*Brownies of the World*, giving outlines for colouring of Brownies from Costa Rica, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Luxembourg, Mexico, New Zealand, Pakistan and Switzerland, has just been published by the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts at 1s., postage extra. This is the third booklet in a delightful series and it is hoped to publish the last one in the spring.

A full-colour portrait of *Her Majesty the Queen as a Sea Ranger* is now available from I.H.Q. at 1s., plus 9d. for postage. The portrait appeared in *Coronation* and has been printed on a card measuring 9 ins. by 10 ins.

Although *Beauty Quest* by Freda Collins (University of London Press, 6s. 6d.) is written for Brownies, Brown Owls will find many good ideas for programme building here. The main theme is, as the title suggests, to encourage a sense of beauty in Brownies, not merely by telling them that 'this thing is beautiful but that is not', but showing them, either in story form or by sending them out on a 'beauty quest' each month to discover beauty for themselves.

H.B.



## The Guiders' Postbag

### Into Line with the Scouts?

I agree with E. R. Tanner (January GUIDER) that the word 'Extension' is bewildering. The Scout term 'Handicapped' is self-explanatory but, if our aim is to help the girls to break through their disabilities as much as possible, to go around saying 'We're in the Handicapped Section' is rather dismal and disheartening.

If I remember correctly it was in 1946 that this matter was last widely discussed. No new title could be found and a vote, between Extension and Handicapped, was taken from the whole Section. My own Guides voted unanimously for Extension, but from their letters they were not voting for Extension—they were voting against Handicapped! I never heard the final result but as Extension was retained it seems that others voted likewise. There seems to be no particular 'sentimental' attachment to Extension and E. R. Tanner would probably gain large support for a change of name if she (or anybody else) could produce a word which was self-explanatory and yet attractive.

BRENDA MORTON (Captain, 1st Scottish Post Guides)

May I support the suggestion that the word 'Handicapped' should be used instead of 'Extension'. It is high time that we conformed not only with the Scouts but also with the various bodies with which we have contact and with the general public. To the public it seems pointless to use a name which needs so much explaining before it can be understood, and they naturally ask why, when we mean handicapped, we don't say so. Can it be that the name Extension was used originally in a misguided effort to ignore that the girls concerned are handicapped? If so, this is merely pandering to those who will not face facts. Having been handicapped since childhood I have always used the word Handicapped in preference to Extension, even when a young Guide, because it explained itself at once. It is no kindness to encourage handicapped people to live in a fool's paradise—even in a comparatively minor way such as this—it is merely assuming, quite wrongly, that they haven't the courage to face life as it is.

If the word Handicapped were used it might cause our Guides and Rangers to be called Guides and Rangers, instead of being referred to just as 'Extensions', as though they were a race apart. It should also help to reduce the present confusion between the use of the words 'Posts' and 'Extensions' and it should save the double explanation that is now necessary to explain first the Extension Section and then the Post Group.

MARY-PAT HALL (H.I., Extensions)

### Guiding and Communism

A report in *The Daily Telegraph* of February 1st confirms my conviction that the one unassailable argument against a member of the Communist Party being a Guider is that the latter must promise to do her duty to God, and the former is pledged to a cause which is atheistic in principle and practice. *The Daily Telegraph* reports on a survey prepared by the Bishop of Chichester for the Church Assembly entitled: *The Churches of Europe under Communist Governments*. Two quotations are enough to give an indication of the conclusions. "... the objective in all Communist countries is "to undermine and destroy the Christian faith and the Christian Church in the most effective possible way", and secondly: "The great weapons against the Church were removal of financial support, education of the young in atheism (the italics are mine) and intimidation of individuals".

Thinking people will also see clear evidence of this process in the book *Communism and the Churches*, by J. B. Barron and H. M. Waddams (S.C.M. Press) in which quotations are given, almost without comment, from the documents, pronouncement and laws published in Communist controlled countries.

On this question of the compatibility of Guiding and Communism there are, of course, many other arguable points, such as political discrimination and the Christian Communist position on the one side and the fostering of class hatred and the denial of ultimate moral standards on the other. But there is no purpose in debating these since the first hurdle cannot be cleared: a sincere Guider must be 'a believer'—a good member of the Communist Party must be an atheist. One assumes that membership of any organisation is intended for those who accept the principles of that organisation. Belief in God is the fundamental principle of the Girl Guide Movement.

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**Fare Bursaries.** Assistance will be given to Guiders on a basis of four-fifths of the railway fare in excess of £1. Further details from the Secretary, Training Department, I.H.Q.

Guiders wishing to apply for either of the above bursaries should get in touch with their *District Commissioners*, who will get the appropriate ticket or form from the Secretary, Training Department, I.H.Q. When applying, District Commissioners should state the date of the training the Guider wishes to attend. Applications must be made at least a fortnight before the training.

### FOXLEASE

March	
†5-9	i. Guide and Brownie Guiders ii. Commissioners and Secretaries
12-16	Guide and Brownie Guiders (Full)
19-30	Sussex
April	
2-9	Extension Guiders
13-20	(Easter) Commissioners, Guide and Brownie Guiders
23-27	Guide and Ranger Guiders
30-10	May. Middlesex East
May	
14-18	Outdoor Activities
21-25	Guide and Brownie Guiders
28-1	June. Essex
June	
4-14	General
18-21	I.H.Q. Staff
22-29	Guide and Brownie Guiders (Guiders may bring children under five)
July	
2-9	Guide and Brownie Guiders
12-16	Chief Commissioners
20-27	Guide and Brownie Guiders
30-6	August. General
August	
10-17	International Song and Dance
*20-30	Patrol Leaders
September	
3-10	Guide and Brownie Guiders
14-21	Outdoor Activities
24-28	Cadets
October	
1-5	Commissioners, Secretaries and Ranger Guiders
8-12	Guide and Brownie Guiders
15-19	Oxfordshire
22-26	Guide and Brownie Guiders
29-2	Nov. Surrey East

### WADDOW

March	
5-9	Ranger Guiders (all Sections)
12-16	Campfire
19-23	Guide and Brownie Guiders (Full)
26-30	S. Lancs.
April	
2-6	Outdoor activities
9-12	Cheshire
15-26	(Easter) Guide, Brownie and Ranger Guiders (Bird-watching in the mid-week period; field glasses useful)
30-4	May. Guide and Brownie Guiders

May	
7-10	Commissioners
14-18	Yorks N.R.
21-25	Staffordshire
28-1	June. Guide and Brownie Guiders
June	
4-8	Brownie Guiders (Pack Holiday Training included)
18-20	Yorkshire W.R.S.
July	
*19-28	Patrol Leaders (note changed date)
31-7	Aug. Rangers
August	
*11-21	Patrol Leaders (applications for this training will not be accepted before March 15th)
Sept.	
3-6	General training for Guiders and Commissioners (Guiders may bring their mothers and may stay to 9th)
10-14	Guide and Brownie Guiders
17-21	Ranger Guiders (all Sections)
24-28	S.E. Lancs.
28-1	Oct. Local Association
Oct.	
1-5	Guide and Brownie Guiders
8-12	Outdoor Activities and Winter Camp Training
15-19	Guide and Brownie Guiders
22-26	English Diploma'd Guiders
29-2	Nov. Guide and Brownie Guiders
†	Separate Training
* Guiders are reminded that only two Patrol Leaders (13½-15½) from each Company will be accepted.	

### M.T.B.

March	
24-8	April. Guiders (Fitting out)
April	
15-22	(Easter) Guiders
May	
1-8	Guiders (Fitting out)
22-29	Commissioners
29-8	June. (Whitsun) Guiders
June	
8-12	Guiders (Maintenance)
July	
3-10	Prospective Guiders and Cadets
August	
7-14	Guiders (Sailing opportunities)
31-7	Sept. Guiders (Sailing opportunities)
(For trainings available for Sea Rangers see page 17, January GUIDER)	
Fees: £3 5s. per week. All applications should be made to Miss V. Lees, 6 Middleton Hall, Torquay, enclosing a deposit of 10s. and a stamped addressed envelope.	

### I.H.Q. CONFERENCES AND TRAININGS

**Lone Training.** There will be a training at I.H.Q. for all Lone Guiders from the United Kingdom and overseas on Friday, April 23rd, from 7 p.m.—9 p.m.; Saturday, April 24th, from 10.30 a.m.—9 p.m. and Sunday, April 25th, from 2 p.m.—5.30 p.m. Fee 5s. Applications, enclosing fee and stamped addressed envelope, to the Secretary, Imperial Training Department.

**A Camping Conference** will be held from November 12th—15th at High Leigh, Hoddesdon, Herts. This is open to all C.C.As., C.C.As. (Admin.) and holders of the

Camp Training Diploma. In the case of counties where there is no C.C.A. or C.C.A. (Admin.) a representative may be sent.

## ENGLAND

The following trainings will be held:  
**Commonwealth and International Training.** Saturday, May 22nd, 11 a.m.—6.30 p.m. at I.H.Q. Further particulars in the April GUIDER.

**Northern Extension Guiders:** At Birchfield School, Birchfield Road, Manchester, on Saturday, March 20th from 11 a.m.—7 p.m. Fee 3s. 6d. Training in all handicap groups and camping. Applications, enclosing fee only, to Miss K. Warner, 1019 Rochdale Road, Blackley, Manchester, 9, and not to I.H.Q.

**A Guiders' Boating Training** will be held at Thamesfield, Henley, from Friday, June 4th to Monday, June 7th. Fee: £2 2s. 6d. for week-end (£1 18s. if under 19). This training is catering especially for Sea Ranger Guiders, Petty Officers and all interested in the Sea Ranger Section and boatwork, including Commissioners with Crews in their Districts. Application forms and further details may be obtained from Miss Staley, 65 Butts Hill Road, Woodley, Reading.

## SCOTLAND

### Netherurd

March	
5-8	Brownie Pre-Warrant and Pack Leaders
12-15	Guide and Brownie Guiders
19-22	Durham County
26-29	Guide Pre-Warrant
April	
2-5	Leadership (Training your Patrol Leaders)
8-10	Square Centres Conference
10-12	Dundee: Guide and Brownie Guiders
15-20	(Easter) Warranted Guide and Brownie Guiders
23-26	East Lothian
30-3	May. International (Training to go abroad)
May	
7-10	Ranger Guiders
14-17	Handcrafts
21-24	Commissioners
26-27	County Commissioners and Executive Conference
June	
4-7	Lanarkshire
11-14	Campfire
18-21	Outdoor Activities
July	
9-13	Patrol Leaders
16-20	Patrol Leaders
29-5	Aug. Patrol Leaders' Re-union Camp
August	
11-18	Patrol Leaders' Representative Training
24-31	Commonwealth and Empire Week and Edinburgh Festival
At all County week-ends a certain number of places are kept for Guiders from other areas, and any Guider may apply for a place at these trainings.	



## WALES

### Broneirion

- March  
19-22 Denbighshire County Booking  
\*26-29 Outdoor activities (Open week-end, but special booking from Wallasey North District)
- April  
2-5 *The Land of the Red Dragon* (Welsh Culture week-end based on this book)  
8-13 Patrol Leaders  
15-20 (Easter) General Training  
23-26 Huddersfield District (Closed)  
30-3 May. Ranger Guiders (Guiders may bring mothers)
- May  
7-10 Brownie Guiders  
14-16 Cheshire (Closed)  
21-24 All Branches. World Guiding, with special emphasis on the Commonwealth  
28-31 Commissioners and Secretaries
- June  
4-8 General Training  
11-14 Guide Guiders. Special emphasis on First Class  
28-8 July. Extension Holiday

\*This training will include hiking, stalking, tracking, firefighting, nature, mapping, etc.

## ULSTER

### Lorne

- March  
5-7 Extension and General  
12-14 S.E. Belfast  
19-21 International  
26-28 Co. Down
- April  
2-4 East Belfast  
16-19 (Easter). Guide Guiders  
23-25 Co. Tyrone
- For applications and fees at all Training Centres see pages 18-19 January GUIDER.

## Campsites and Pack Holiday Bookings

Blackland Farm, East Grinstead, Sussex: Applications to the Warden.

Hindleap Warren, Forest Row, East Grinstead: Details of this unequipped site from Miss Swan, Ballard, Forest Row, Sussex.

Pack Holiday House: Applications for 1954 are being considered.

Foxlease or Waddow: Applications to the Secretary, accompanied by C.A.'s recommendation and 5s. deposit.

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### ROVER/RANGER CONFERENCE

The first N.W. Kent Rover/Ranger Conference will be held in Bexleyheath on June 12th and 13th, 1954.—Full details obtainable from Mr. W. Hunns, 45 Percy Road, Bexleyheath.

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Vacancies for Women Teachers, trained religious education; also Women Drivers, essential both Communicants C. of E., for Canadian Caravan Mission. No salary, expenses and return fare paid if stay 18 months.—Eva Hasell, Dacre, Penrith, Cumberland.  
Two friends wanted as Gardener and Cook in small house. 15 miles from London, on bus route, 1-hour service. Accommodation bedroom, bath and sitting room; separate wing, or two bed-sitting rooms, bath. Two ladies in family, opportunities for Guiding.—Apply to Lady Devitt, St. Just, Northaw, Potters Bar. Tel. Potters Bar 2027.  
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