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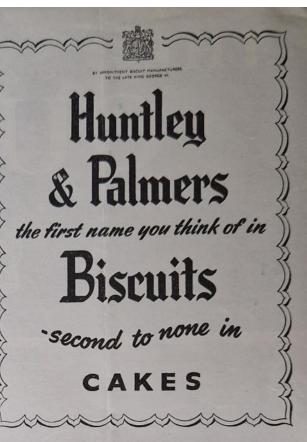
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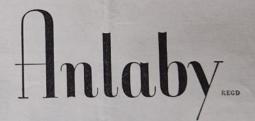


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### My Visit to Kenya

#### By the Chief Commissioner

ZOOMING down in a 'Constellation' from 20,000 feet there was Nairobi spread beneath me, and spread is what I mean! When we left it sixteen years ago it was quite small, almost a pioneer, type of town, and now great buildings have gone up, a New Parliament House, blocks of flats, big churches and so on. It is hard to understand how such giant strides can have taken place, but the remarkable thing is that this expansion is continuing.

#### The Women are Clamouring for Education

Despite the emergency there is great prosperity in Kenya—it gives one the feeling of a real boom, and schools, technical colleges, welfare centres for the African are going ahead like wild-fire. The African women for the first time are asking for knowledge, asking for education. They are training as midwives, as domestic science teachers and going back into the Native Reserves to practise their training.

In so many ways the country is normal and progressive and happy that it is hard to realise that this is going on despite the cloud of the emergency which hangs over the country, and one has the

greatest admiration for the men and women of all races-not least the loyal Kikuyu for the way in which they utterly disregard all danger and carry on. But it's much more difficult to comprehend the Mau Mau menace. Only the Kikuyu tribe is affected and the workings of their minds and fertile brains are so foreign to ours that very few Europeans would ever think that they could understand the labyrinth of secret societies, horrible oaths

and savage rites which they have developed. You can imagine how perplexing it is for Englishmen who have lived all their lives in Kenya and always employed Kikuyu, getting loyal service and giving complete trust and friendliness, looking after their employees in sickness and in

health, to suddenly find that these same Kikuyu, who have been their friends for thirty years, had, all except one or two of them, taken an oath to kill him and his family whenever they should be told to

told to.

One of my friends learnt when the police suddenly visited his house that his cook, to whom he was devoted and who had been with him for thirty-five years, slept with a strangling rope and a sharpened carving knife under his pillow—ready to be used on him whenever word came.

Against this dark background of horror stands out the bravery of the Kikuyu who have refused to take the oath. Thousands have been killed for it, and many of our Guides go in peril of their lives.

#### The Guide Answer to Threats

One company, whom I saw, warned by Mau

Mau not to be Guides or ill would befall them, gave their answer by wearing their Guide belts every day and not only once a week. I felt very, very proud of many Guides in Kenya and of the Guiders who help them, often at peril of their lives.

But what a wonderful country for Guiding
when this nightmare is
over and in the parts of
it now which are free of
Mau Mau. Hot sun,
cool breezes, cool nights
and one of the most
glorious camping



Lady Baring, who was Lady Stratheden's hostess at Government House in Kenya, with an Asian and African Cadet

countries surely in the world. I wish I could paint for you the beautiful night sky, with the stars literally shining so clear in the sky, the huge campfire of olive wood and cedar, with its delicious, pungent smell, and all around the African bush-still with the call occasionally of some night bird, the grunt of a zebra or the throbbing noise of a hunting leopard.

There are gleams of light and hope. One of these I heard of just before I left. One of the most respected farmers in the country was so broken and unhappy at all that had happened that he went to England on leave, feeling utterly discouraged and that his life's work had been in

On his return, the Kikuyu on his farm, entirely on their own initiative, gave a magnificent feast and party for him, with presentations to him and his wife and a wedding present to his daughter who had just got engaged. It was a wonderful proof to many that in the end love is stronger than

#### The Rally in Nairobi

One of the most thrilling rallies I have ever been to was held at Government House, Nairobi. A great deal of organization and planning had gone into it as many of the Guides and Guiders had to have special permits, owing to emergency travel restrictions. In the morning quite early buses, trucks and lorries started to arrive full of Guides and Brownies, European, Asian and Africanmany of them singing, and all so gay and happy.

Then in the afternoon in the shade of some lovely green trees, out of the hot sun, the rally was held. Cadets, Land, Sea and Air Rangers, Guides of every race, all doing quite excellent turns and enjoying each other's performance, so foreign in tradition to their own. It was lovely, too, to see how happily they came together.

#### Kenya is Tackling Her Problem

I have so many memories, encouraging and delightful, to take away with me from Kenya—of many different parts of it. Of a Masai company coming forward, each Guide in turn, for me to touch the top of their bent heads (the traditional Masai children's greeting), of a round-eyed, eager Goan pack, of an outstanding Arab company at the coast, and of the general harmonious, happy, inter-racial society which lives so happily together all along the coast.

Kenya is tackling her problem, which is the problem of Africa, in a broad minded, progressive way, as a whole, and the Guides, I am proud to say, are playing a great part in bringing nearer the balanced, happy future that all who love

Kenya wish for her.

### A Queen's Guide

ILLIAN PARTRIDGE was born a spastic with an above average brain. At the age of ten she won a scholarship to Lillesden School, Hawkhurst, Kent, and in due course took to Guiding like a 'duck to water'. Having been enrolled in the school Guide Company she found it almost impossible to raise her hand for a full salute, but by dint of hard practice in front of a mirror in a few weeks the hand was up to the beret.

Very soon after Gillian became a Guide she formed an ambition to be a Queen's Guide. Could she possibly achieve this? Slowly, clause by clause (always with the tester's comment 'above average'), First Class was completed-with the exception of swimming. Her captain made inquiries-could any exception be made for a handicapped girl? The answer was 'no, exceptions cannot be made for Queen's Guide candidates '

Could Gillian teach herself to swim? In six months' time she returned to school at the beginning of term with a certificate from the instructor

The first hurdle was scaled. Gillian was First At Court of Honour, Captain asked the

at her local baths. She had swum fifty vards.

leaders if they would like to recommend Gillian as a candidate for the Queen's Guide badge. The answer came back promptly: 'Of course, Captain, she is our best Guide '. So after she had completed the remaining clauses for the badge she was recommended for her B-P test.

The tester was doubtful. Did Gill realise no exceptions could be made. She did—and at the end of the great day her Captain and Commissioner, waiting anxiously by their telephones, heard the tester say: 'Passed, above average, one of the best candidates I have tested'. A few weeks later the badge was presented—by the Chief Guide.

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### 'Miss Someone' Sums Up!

By E. M. Beveridge, Camp Adviser, I.H.Q.

ISS SOMEONE ' is a Guider who is over twenty-one and has a warrant. She is captain of a company in which there are twenty-six Guides aged from 11 to 16½. One can't really describe these girls as they are twenty-six different kinds of people and 'Miss Someone' tries hard to help them develop their own individualities and not become copies of each other or of what they imagine she would like them to be.

All seemed simple till the Captain attended a training week-end, or rather till she had been home again for some days. Suddenly it dawned on her that she was shirking some of her responsibilities. That happens to all of us, doesn't it?

After much thought she decided to make a list of certain responsibilities and study it.

#### Guides

Her own Guides. They were keen and happy and seemed to do pretty well in tests, but were lost when left to themselves in recent competitions. Lieutenant and she had wondered why and were secretly, or even unconsciously, rather pleased when their presence gave confidence. However, as a result of what she had heard at the training, 'Miss Someone' realized that they were wrong and something must be done to make the Guides more independent. Something—but what?

more independent. Something—but what?

An idea came to her unexpectedly at the next Court of Honour when a P.L. described a game she had read about and which seemed to last for days and could only be played at camp. Captain suddenly knew that here was the answer. She

asked the P.L.s what they thought of the idea and was really amazed at the enthusiasm and to hear that they had always wanted to camp, but were sure she wouldn't take them. Once camp had been mentioned there was no end to the planning, and the Guiders knew that

I Plate: I Purill

A roly-poly for dinner

one of them must see about getting a Camper's Licence.

'Miss Someone' had, two years before, helped at a friend's camp, so was told that if she attended trainings during the winter and did well at the training camp at Whit, she could run her own camp in the summer. Lieutenant went to the trainings, too, and every week adaptations of what they learnt were passed on to the P.L.s who in turn initiated their patrols into the mysteries of living out of doors.

It was wonderful how the company gradually made and borrowed equipment and raised money to buy other essentials and how they found they had free Saturday afternoons to practise firelighting and learn from a Scout brother how to handle a tent. The company was doing things on their own.

The great day came and they set off for camp all agog with expectation. The Guiders were

rather overawed with the magnitude of their task of taking twenty other people's children to camp for the first time, though much comforted to know that their own C.A. would be camping on the same farm and ready to help at any time.

It was a grand camp, with the P.L.s really running their patrols and leading them into endless mischief and adventure. During one of the first rest hours, 'Miss Someone' looked at her list of responsibilities and found that several people other than her Guides were involved, so she amused herself by applying camping to all of them.



The Water Patrol gets the water for washing [Photo: W. J. Beer]

'Lieutenant, Brown Owl (Q.M.) and I are the Guiders, so what responsibility can I have towards ourselves? 'Yes,' she thought, 'I must be sure that we go on learning by experience and from seeing other camps, so that we are prepared for any eventualities; that we, as well as the Guides, have enough time to rest and to keep fit, not overdoing it in our anxiety that the children don't overwork—that is good management. We musn't go home tired and so be a bad advertisement. Apart from that it wouldn't be fair to ourselves, the Guides, our homes or our work, for this is part of our holiday, too.'

#### Guides' Parents

Captain didn't ponder long over that one-it 'The parents trust us to look after their children in this, what to many of them must be a strange idea of enjoyment, and we must be worthy of that trust,' she thought. 'Before camp I did visit them all and explain about everything, the cost, the kit list and pocket money, telling them exactly where we are with the address written down (and I have all their addresses). arranged about a bus for visitors' day and I said how we are trained and have the Camp Adviser near us all the time and that a local doctor is ready to come if necessary. Now I must be really sure that the Guides benefit so much mentally and physically that the parents will agree to let some of them train for their Camp Permits.'

#### Camp Site Owners

'How good to us the farmer and his wife have been. We must ask them along to campfire on Saturday, and after tea today I'll go and ask if there is anything we could do to help-perhaps with hay-making or pulling fruit. remembered to shut gates and do not use that short cut too near the barley crop. We'll try to leave everything as tidy as we found it, and I know the P.L.s will want to go and thank them themselves. I wonder if they would let that delicate looking grandchild came with us to Hilltown on Thursday?

#### Commissioner

'She was pleased to hear of our camp and signed the form saying I was a suitable person to take Guides to camp-would she think so if she saw us now? I do hope she comes to see us I wrote and told her the address in case she didn't note it when she signed the form. I'm glad we met that friend of hers after church on Sunday. She is the Commissioner for this District and said she would come up to see us. It was kind of her to say that we could shelter in her garage if we were ever caught in the rain when in the village.'

#### The Movement

When 'Miss Someone' reached this item on her list, she stopped for quite a time as she went over to remind Q.M. that eight of the older girls were going to walk up the hill after campfire to look at the stars and to ask her to leave cocoa in the haybox as they would probably not be back until between 1 and 2 a.m. Breakfast next day would probably be a movable feast so Colours were to be broken by the younger ones with Lieutenant, and prayers would be just after Court of Honour

This arranged, 'Miss Someone' turned her mind again to her responsibilities to the Guide Movement and felt how important they were. She thought of the Founder's ideals which included the points that young people should be healthy. happy and helpful. She looked round. Rest hour was now over and the campers were occupied in various ways during what remained of free time. Some were reading, some were almost waist-deep in the stream trying to make a bridge which threatened, so far, to be more under the water than over it! A few were helping Lieutenant repitch the First Aid tent, and the rest seemed to be bringing in large quantities of firewood-probably with thoughts of tomorrow's late rising.

Yes, they all seemed healthy, happy and even helpful. They were learning to think for them-selves and 'Miss Someone' knew that the 1st Promise meant more to them now even if they were too shy to talk about it. The visit of the vicar on Sunday evening, when he talked to them round the campfire, had made its mark and given much cause for reflection. 'I mustn't fail these Guides,' thought 'Miss Someone,' 'they are the future.' She thought, too, of how the whole movement was judged by its representatives and determined to help her Guides to be good representatives.

#### 'Mafeking to Modern Times' Scout Exhibition

THE CHIEF GUIDE is to open an interesting exhibition which Guides living in or near London may like to visit during the Easter holidays. Entitled 'Scouting —Mafeking to Modern Times', it is being staged by the Publicity Department of Scout Imperial Head-quarters by courtesy of Selfridges Ltd., in their Exhibition Hall from 12th-23rd April. There is no

charge for admission.

The exhibition will illustrate the birth, growth and development of Scouting from the time when B-P had the germ of an idea during the famous Mafeking Siege to the present day. Many of the rare historic exhibits from B-P's Room at Scout, I.H.Q. will be on view, as well as many interesting exhibits from all parts of the world. The Chief Guide has also loaned some items from her private collection. There will be daily demonstrations of Scouting activities, a film show and many static displays.

### Mrs. H. S. Mair, M.A.

ET'S show it to Mrs. Mair. She'll see if there are any snags.' Those of us doing jobs at Headquarters frequently find ourselves submitting our efforts to Mrs. Mair. One has to be prepared for remarks such as 'Rather ambiguous'. 'Have you confirmed this?', or for the somewhat shattering experience of having grammar or spelling unhesitatingly corrected. But the



Mrs. H. S. Mair, M.A.

treatment, if ruthless, is always refreshing and the result a statement more coherent and logical than the original. An argument with Mrs. Mair is always stimulating, and one goes away with a satisfying sense of having 'tidied up' one's own ideas with the help of her clear mind and her ability to recognize essentials.

As a chairman, Mrs.

Mair excels, deftly keeping members of her committee to the point, ruling out irrelevancies and getting the business through in the minimum of time. Her promptness in dealing with correspondence is a byword, and it is not unusual to receive at midday the reply to a letter posted the previous evening as she has 'caught' the 9 a.m. post!

A glance at Mrs. Mair's other interests and experience explains a good deal. She is an English specialist and was at one time Headmistress of Rotherham High School for girls. She is an examiner for the General Certificate of Education of the University of London and the Joint Matriculation Board of the Northern Universities, and for many Local Authority Examinations of the elevenyear-olds. But she has also knowledge and experience of the work of various voluntary organizations and brings to Guiding a wide outlook and a strong conviction that the people who are of most value to the movement are those with lots of interests outside it.

Mrs. Mair was for many years a Division Commissioner in Yorkshire. She became a member of the Education Panel in 1944 and was its chairman from 1945 to 1950. When, in 1951, the Ranger Branch found itself without a Commissioner she was persuaded to act as chairman of the Ranger Committee, protesting, however, that she knew far too little about Rangers. If this were so she certainly knew how to make use of those with the necessary knowledge and her skilled

chairmanship led the Branch through a happy

and progressive period.

Mrs. Mair has also served on the Public Relations Committee, acted as its chairman for the last year, and has for some time been a much valued member of the Publications Committee. Perhaps the most creative piece of work she undertook for the Guide Movement was the scheine for Housecraft Training that gave many of our Rangers the opportunity of living under Guide influences in the Chiefs' old home at Pax Hill, and of receiving a training for a career. At the same time it showed that our movement could work hand in hand with a statutory authoritythe National Institute of Houseworkers-and yet retain its own flavour and independence.

In 1950 Mrs. Mair resigned from the Executive Committee but was re-elected in 1952. tunately she retires in May and her contribution will be greatly missed. The World Association, however, will now benefit as Mrs. Mair has recently been appointed to its Constitutions Sub-

Committee.

With all her experience and efficiency Mrs. Mair remains very human. She is a delightful hostess, and, one guesses, an excellent house-Her sense of humour and sense of proportion are apparent in all that she does but an outstanding characteristic is her real concern for people. She is always ready to help and, probably because her own affairs are organized so competently, invariably finds time to give that help immediately it is needed.

#### THE GUIDE in April

During April a new, short series, 'Patrol Nature Log-Book, by Jean Gorvett, will help those entering for the important Nature Log-Book Competition announced in THE GUIDE, 4th March. Gardening articles, by the expert, Pauline Welch, and a new monthly Nature Strip, by James MacIntyre, will also help, and will be useful in developing habits of observation. A new occasional page, 'P.L.s Palaver', starts with 'How To Teach Knots', by Enid Prichard. 'Scout's Pace', by E. Bindloss; 'First Aid for Second Class', by H. B. Davidson; and 'Bus Routes', by E. Blackall, are among other practical articles, while 'Use a Compass' (1-3), by Marjorie Cobham, will link directly with THE GUIDER article.

The 'Just How' Series, by A. M. Maynard, will pass on from Tenderfoot to Second Class tests. The Chief Guide's letter will appear weekly. A new Photography series begins. 'The Bells that Ring Out the Easter Tidings', by the Rev. A. M. Dutton, will be in the 8th April issue. G.M.P.

### Mrs. Ilthbutt

#### By Sarah Branson



Guides

O you know her? I am sure you do-we all do-the lady who approves of the Guides and admires the Guiders, as they gallantly struggle against odds, but who, when Commissioner approaches her about becoming a Guider I don't know a thing about always says 'I'd love to help but. . . .

What we are concerned with-or ought to be concerned with-is that 'but'; the one definite thing about Mrs. Ilthbutt is that reason why she can't help the company; or can she? Let's take a few of those reasons and weigh them against the fact that she would love to help. If she would really love to help isn't it a pity that we don't find some way round the difficulty and let her? If you read, or heard about, the 'Kuenstler Report' on leaders of voluntary youth organisations you will remember that one of the criticisms there made of us was that more use could be made of lay help-in other words of Mrs. Ilthbutt. So let's look carefully into what she has to say.

I've never been a Guide and don't know a thing about it ': There are plenty of things one could say in answer to that but here we are thinking about the lady who cannot be persuaded that it is possible to learn Guiding after one is fifteen. How can we use her? Does she know anything about anything? She would be odd if she did not, and odder still if she didn't think she did!

There are over sixty proficiency badges for Guides covering a multitude of subjects. And what about all those domestic oddments which come into the Brownie tests? Is she a gardener, or a birdlover, or a keen motorist? Does she make wonderful soufflées or decorate her own rooms? Surely within the enormous scope of the Ranger syllabus there is something she can teach or test?

'I'm scared to death

of children.' (And that, to Mrs. Ilthbutt, means of Brownies, Guides and Rangers!)

We must find a job where Mrs. Ilthbutt won't have to meet children in the mass. What jobs do you do for your pack or company or Ranger unit without having the girls there? Could Mrs. Ilthbutt help with copying out those camp notices and forms? Could she re-dip the old Brownie uniforms? (If she offers to do the Guide ties as well you can explain that the Guides ought to help with the job and she might be able to face a couple of them over that.)

I haven't any time.' Probably she hasn't. But she may mean 'I haven't any time in the evenings'. Is there any job which could be done during the morning or afternoon? One company arranged with Mrs. Ilthbutt that she would take all the uniform business off Captain's hands. She kept all the second-hand things and ordered the new ones; she arranged always to be at home between four and five o'clock every other Tuesday so that the Guides could call in after school to be measured, to pay money and to collect their garments. The only thing left for Captain to do was to receive weekly payments at the meeting.

Another company, owning a lot of camp equipment, found that Mrs. Ilthbutt would be delighted to spend several mornings during the Easter holidays helping them to repair tents and screening; up till then Captain and Lieutenant had to do most of it because they could never be free at a time when the Guides could come to help.

Yet another Captain, who was slowly going mad under the strain of arranging the letting of the Guide Hut, found that Mrs. Ilthbutt was not only willing to take this job on but that she was able

to do it more successfully because she was tied to her home by two small children and so was always there when people wanted her.

And then of course there's the money. Money so often appears to be the obvious thing to hand over to someone else and provided that we remember (and Mrs. Ilthbutt understands) that dealing with funds is part of the Guides' training, she certainly help us. There was once a company



' I'm seared to death of children '

which had to start secret funds because their Mrs. Ilthbutt used to appear every week at Roll Call, collect all the subs and march off with them to the bank where they were accumulated to provide a monster Christmas treat! But if you can keep your Mrs. Ilthbutt under control she might relieve Lieutenant of the account-keeping and of all the tiresome business of badge-ordering. Or, if she doesn't actually keep the accounts, then she, or Mr. Ilthbutt, might be willing to audit them each year for you.

Do you (or does Lieutenant) spend part of each meeting in giving out copies of The Guide and collecting threepences? Would Mrs. Ilthbutt do it for you? It would mean coming every week

but only for a few minutes.

It is worth while listening to those who have tried something and made it work. 'That's our Q.M. No, she isn't a Guider.' 'We let her know the times and the numbers and she made all the arrangements with the bus company for us.' 'Lieutenant and I can neither of us be there, and our P.L.s are too young to cope for whole

evenings yet, but they are going to prepare some campfire stunts and Mrs. Ilthbutt says she will come up at half past seven and see the result and make sure they finish in time for the bus.' We need someone whom none of the Guides will recognize—let's ask Mrs. Ilthbutt.' We must have someone whom every Guide knows by sight—let's ask Mrs. Ilthbutt.' We need someone who really understands...' We need an outside opinion.'

We need somebody! Why? Because so many Guiders are working single-handed; because nearly every Guider is in full-time employment; because the Guide Movement has grown to a size where a certain amount of administrative work is inevitable; and because we are wasting the goodwill of those who would like to help us without actually being able to become Guiders. A great deal of what we do must be done by a Guider, because only she has been trained to understand its value as character training, but there are things which could be handed over to Mrs. Ilthbutt leaving the Guiders more time for the real job of Guiding (or even for going to the pictures!)

### The Ranger Festival

Services and Parade: Sunday, 1st May

Full instructions have been sent to all units who have returned the form saying they wish to take part in the service and parade. Any unit who applied by 14th March (the closing date) but has not yet received information should apply at once to the Ranger Secretary at Headquarters. Units may still apply if they do so immediately, and

they will be included if possible.

Only a representative number of Rangers can be inside St. Martin's, but we hope this will include all those who come from a distance as they will be given preference, a decision with which we are sure London and the Home Counties will agree! Arrangements are being made to relay the service to the courtyard outside and the crypt where the overflow will be assembled, so all Rangers will be able to join in this final event of the Festival week-end.

The March Past will take place after the service, approximately between 4.30 and 5 p.m., when H.R.H. The Princess Royal will take the salute and the band of the Women's Royal Army Corps will play. It is hoped that the saluting base will be on the Horse Guards Parade, after which the Rangers will march back to Headquarters down the Mall, where the best view will be obtained by other members of the movement, friends, relations and Rangers who are not marching.

Rangers are reminded that a very high standard of drill, marching and physical fitness is required from all those who take part in the March Past; it will be quite in order for Rangers who wish to do so to attend the service and watch the March Past.

Tickets of admission will be required for all those Rangers and Ranger Guiders, whether they are inside the church or outside, and these can only be obtained by filling up the Service and Parade Form RF5 which has already been issued to all units.

#### Special Note

The Roman Catholic service is taking place at Westminster Cathedral and special instructions will be sent to those who have said they wish to attend. They will join the other Rangers on the Horse Guards Parade after the service.

#### The Exhibition, 29th to 30th April

Rangers and Cadets who are acting as programme sellers and runners, Guiders acting as stewards and all those performing in the displays will receive free passes at the Central Hall. It will be appreciated that it is not possible to give free passes to all the Rangers and Cadets in the Guards of Honour over the two days. They will not be long on duty and will obtain a very good view.

#### The Square Dance Parties

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## Compass Points and Map Reading

### By Marjorie Cobham

HE map and compass clause is quite the most enthralling in the First Class Test. It can be brought into innumerable games in the clubroom, and, better still, out of doors. Guiders and Guides must, however, remember that maps and compasses were not made for games, but for travelling in unknown or trackless areas.

#### The Compass

1. Teach the Guides how to set a compass, allowing for magnetic variation. Show them, over a distance of about 100 yards the difference it have to think all the time, and cannot just run to the window which was due south last time.

4. Hide a treasure and give the patrols cross bearings. Short distances are best, such as '3 yards S.E. of the oak tree, and 7 feet. S.S.W. of the garden chair '. With experience, distances can be lengthened, but a bearing on a distant church spire simply does not work; the compasses the Guides own are not sufficiently large or accurate

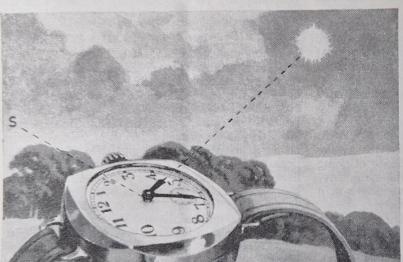
South by Sun

5. Compass tracks are also useful.

Point the hour hand of your watch at the sun. Note the point half-way between the hour hand and the figure twelve. A line drawn through this point and the centre of your watch will run north and south. Generally the shortest distance between the hour hand and the twelve is the southern end of that line. In the summer, though, it is possible to see the sun at 8 in the morning, as well as at 8 at night.

If you know the time you can also tell your direction by simple calculations. The sun is due south at noon, and approximately due east at six in the morning, and west at six in the evening. So it is not hard to decide where it would be at 9 a.m., or at any

other time. Remember to allow for summer time.



To find the south by the sun point the hour hand of your watch at

makes if you do not allow for this variation. The amount of the variation is shown on ordnance survey maps, and it is steadily becoming less, so that the date of the map is always given as well as the annual decrease, which is about 10 degrees.

2. Play simple compass games, such as 'Compass Spokes'. Fall in your patrols in spoke formation, with a compass on a stool as the hub of the wheel. Patrols number. Call out a direction such as 'South, four'. Numbers four touch the stool, look at the compass if they want to, and run to the south wall. A point goes to the Guide who arrives first.

3. Play more difficult games, perhaps only with your older Guides. 'Compass Spokes' can be elaborated by giving the point to the Guide who is exactly due south of the compass. More points can be used, up to sixteen. The position of the stool should also be shifted so that the Guides

The Pole Star is due north, and can easily be found from the pointers of the Great Bear. Other particularly useful constellations for direction finding are Cassiopeia, the Little Bear and Orion.

Guides need a good deal of practice in following maps, and how to give them this is a problem, because they are so seldom in places they do not already know, except for the brief week of camp.

The first thing to understand about a map is that you must hold it the way you are going (which way the names are printed does not matter in the least). If you do this, the map will always be set fairly correctly, and you will see at a glance when you should branch off to the right or left. Be careful. Check each recognizable landmark, such as a church or cross roads, as you go. It is easy to read a map if you do this constantly. If you once become uncertain of your position it is not at all easy to find out just where you are. Always notice which way water is flowing, and also the angle at which roads cross. Scale and contour lines are most important. In hilly country maps coloured to show the different heights are much the clearest.

One way to make Guides really follow a map in a place they know is to make a tracing from a street map and leave out the names of the roads. Remember to put in scale and compass points. Then the Guides follow the map, filling in the names. You will soon see if they have gone the way you chose. This is a particularly useful method in towns. A circular route could be chosen, and two patrols could race each other back to headquarters, starting in opposite directions and meeting half-way.

Another excellent plan is to go to the top of a hill or high building, set the map, and then identify distant churches or other landmarks from it. At once the compass will also have to be used in a

very practical way. First Class Guides should understand ordinary grid references: the method is explained very

clearly on the cover of most grid maps.

In winter, patrols can each be given a map to study, and can then be asked to describe a hike from the map only. If there is a chance of going on the hike later, that is ideal. In the same way, before going to camp, let the Guides study a map of the country round their future site.

Sketch maps can be introduced in Scouting games. All map drawing helps map reading,

#### Conclusions

These, then, are practical suggestions of ways in which you can help your Guides to use both map and compass. Articles are now appearing in THE GUIDE which will help Patrol Leaders with activities for their patrols, and also will help the Guides to improve their own understanding of the subject. You might well find some of these suggestions useful for yourself, especially the hints on developing a sense of direction.

When studying a map, always keep in mind the big idea of using it and a compass in wild and unknown country. The Lake District, the Welsh and Scottish hills, the moors of the Border and the West Country are all delectable places for a holiday if you are fond of walking. Go up the hills when the weather is good, and use a map to find the way and identify the places you can see. Then, when you have gained experience, go up an easy hill when there is a little mist about, and really steer by compass. Remember, though, that food and warmth are essentials of life, so take a sensible amount of both food and clothing with you. Also,

it is not wise to be alone in the hills; a party of three is better than just two people.

Should you see that a mist is coming down, make sure at once of your exact position on the map, before the landmarks are blotted out, and take compass bearings. Then, instead of taking a long course across country, it is best to try to go from one place that you can recognize to another. Often speed is necessary, so that there is not time to stop to consult a compass. If you are a party of three there is a simple way in which you can avoid walking in a circle. Move in single file, keeping fairly wide apart. Numbers 2 and 3 should walk exactly where the leader has gone. If No. 3 can see the shoulders of the leader to the left of No. 2, it means that the party are curving to the left. Then No. 3 must call out and tell the leader to go more to the right. In this way it is possible for the party to move at a good pace in a straight line, only stopping very occasionally to check with the compass.

#### Taking a Bearing

The moment there is a break in the clouds, take a bearing on anything you can see that you might be able to identify on the map. If you can take cross bearings you can find out exactly where you are. If you see a lake due north of you, you must be on a line running north and south through that lake. If you see a peak due east of you, you must be on a line running east and west through that peak. Find both on the map. Where those two lines cross you must be, and you can be in no other place. You need not even see both peak and lake at the same moment. This is exactly the same principle as finding the hidden treasure by cross bearings, only this time you are the treasure, hidden in the mist. The theory is simple; the practice is not always so easy. One word of warning, mountains do not suffer fools gladly.

The more practical experience you yourself gain in using a map and compass, the better you will be able to help and enthuse your Guides.

#### Five-Minute 'Quicky'

1. Find five things from outside that could be used for some part of Second Class.

2. Find out something about Captain and Lieutenant you didn't know before.

3. Be back in 5 minutes, all sitting crossed legged in file, facing S.E.

(This can be extended to 10 minutes according to each company's experience.)

#### Tableaux

Patrols are asked to make a tableau. It must include the use of three knots, keeping two health rules, our motto and the use of a compass in some H.B.

### Wanted: First Class Detectives

#### By Beryl Langham

A attributes of a first-class detective. It is when the idea of excitement and detection in nature is not emphasised that so many Guides and Brownies become bored.

The function of a detective is to get information, i.e., spy! And spying needs skill, courage and endurance. No spy would learn about his quarry by shouting to his pal from one end of the wood to the other! He would stand very still in the shadow, at the bottom of banks, behind or in front of bushes, to hide his outline. He would never stand on the highest point so that his figure showed up against the skyline because he would be seen miles away. He would know he would see nothing if he looked towards the sun, and so would do all the stalking he could with the sun behind him. All his movements must be slow and stealthy, for a sudden movement, however slight, has a way of frightening birds and animals more than anything else. He would wear inconspicuous clothes, with very serviceable footwear, so that he could go into wet grass or marshes if need be.

A good detective need not necessarily know anything about what he is going to look at beforehand, though it is an advantage if he does; but he must be able to *look* and to remember what he has seen. Though he carries the proverbial note-book he can't keep whipping it out of his pocket or he may miss some exciting detail in the process.

So before taking your Guides out it is a good plan to prepare them in the ways of observation and deduction at indoor meetings. Great fun can be had at this around most Guide Headquarter

A Willow Warbler (left) and a Common Whitethroat

buildings. Games of observation might be given for Guides and Brownies on their way to and from school. Sometimes Guides miss quite a bit on a hike by not being sure (a) what is expected of them and (b) what they are supposed to be looking for.

The ideal unit for a hike is the patrol. The company is hopeless. Too many people produce talking and boredom and no one sees or hears anything. The ideal time for starting Guides on birding would be the spring or September when the migrations are under way, but there is no time 'like the present'. It might be just a little discouraging to start in late July or August when

birds are in thick cover, in moult and barely singing at all.

In birdwatching the most important thing is learning to look. Here are some of the ways of identifying birds. 1. Size and shape; 2. Flight; 3. Song and call-notes; 4. Habits; 5.



Habitat (where they live); 6. Colour.

One can't look too often at the detail of even the commonest birds, for it is only by knowing the common ones really well that the sight of a slightly differing wing bar or colour, or a slight difference in shape, will give away the presence of a really rare bird.

Shape: This is vital, especially in sorting out the different kind of ducks and waders, for shape is sometimes practically the only guide. Watch how the shape of the tern differs from that of the various gulls; how a shoveller duck sits low in the water; look at the bend of the mallard and gadwell's necks. Look at the shape of the pochard. Look again and again and again, till the shape at all angles has really sunk in. Once shape has been grasped, birds can be recognized a great way off.

Flight: As a complete and obvious contrast compare the regular flap of the herring gull's wings with the rapid flattery-flap of the starling's. Of course, nobody would ever confuse these two birds. At a distance gulls and terns might be mixed up. The ducks' different rates of wing flap to the minute are a great help in identification. At a distance a green woodpecker, in a bad light, could be confused

with a thrush except for his undulating flight.

Song: These are often known to bird-watchers long before they are attached to the right bird! It is as well to remember that some birds, namely, sedge-warbler and great tit, have many call notes. The call notes of quite a number of birds are very similar. At first, linnets, goldfinches, and greenfinches are easy to mix up. Starlings are great mimics. I have heard one copy the green woodpecker and then the cuckoo almost in the same breath. Some people with a musical ear find it helpful to identify song by pitch, and others by rhythm.

Habits: What are birds doing? How are they doing it? Are they running quickly picking up food, as the dunlin? Do they wag their tails up and down a great deal like the wagtails and common sandpiper? Are they gregarious as the starlings and sparrows? Do they hang upside-down like the tits, or climb up tree-trunks like tree-creepers and nuthatches?

Habitat: Spotting birds needs a good deal of practice but the great thing is to look at everything, no matter if it only turns out to be a bit of wood, as it often does!

Always look for movement, whether it be high up in the tree, the sky or open field.

Look for odd bulges and shapes. Practise running the eye up the bark of a tree. There may be no movement, but a swelling at the top may indicate a spotted or green woodpecker clinging to the bark. Is there a bulge on the far bank? Perhaps it is a duck asleep.

Below are some of the better known habitats, giving a few examples of birds to be found in each.

Marshes: These are often ideal. Snipe, different kinds of sandpipers, ducks and all sorts of surprises of warblers, finches and buntings.

Streams, rivers, etc: Kingfishers, wagtails, warblers, herons.

Seashore, mud banks: Ducks, waders, gulls.

High up in trees: Rooks, woodpeckers, owls, pigeons.

Ploughed fields: Peewits, partridge, crows, golden plovers, finches.

Hedges: Warblers, finches, sparrows, starlings, tits.

Orchards: Goldfinches, chaffinches, hawfinches, tits.

Woods: Tits, goldcrests, thrushes, blackbirds, woodcock.

Downs: Stonechats, willow warblers, pipits, larks, curlews.

Colour: I have purposely left colour—the most exciting—to the last, for it is often impossible to tell birds by colour because either the bird is too far off or the light is too bad. Then there is only the shading from dark to light to help. When

possible, however, all colours of wing bars, head, tail, rump, breast, etc., should be noted, for sometimes it is only the slightest difference in colouring that gives the presence of a rarity away.

Deduction: A good detective is able to put two and two together. He would work out why those sandmartins are on the telegraph wires; why these pellets are under the tree; why house-sparrows are never more than a mile from human habitation; why birds have food in their mouths in spring; who chews up those cones under the fir tree.

By the way, good naturalists do not take eggs or touch nests, as if the nest is disturbed the mother bird often deserts her young and if the nest is left exposed it is easier for someone else to find and rob. It is first-class bird-watching and first-class detection to tell no one the whereabouts of findings.

For field use I have found Coward's Birds of the British Isles and their Eggs excellent for use. If further information is wanted libraries are very helpful and many have the Handbook of British Birds.

Finally, if any Guides show a real interest in nature, do see they are encouraged, for it can become the most absorbing hobby. There can surely be few better rewards for a Guider than to have introduced someone to a real and possibly life-long interest.

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### From the Overseas Commissioner

LYING away from England in January is something very lucky when it comes your way, but when it so happens that you rise from the murk of London to clear skies and sun, it has a particular blessedness. The banks of cloud that always remind me of a vast snowfield, lay below us till Switzerland was reached, when the Alps rose above them and the clouds finally cleared.

The Mediterranean—Corsica—then Rome—the toe of Italy and long miles of sea—the waning light and the first star, and then on till we arrived at Cairo in the darkness. Three-quarters of an hour later we took off for Khartoum—a little sleep and then on to an exciting awakening over Africa to find instead of brilliant sun, thick cloud like fog! The rainy season had begun in no uncertain way. Entebbe (Uganda) very hot and Livingstone (Northern Rhodesia) hotter still, but in each there was the excitement of seeing tropical shrubs and trees, butterflies and birds, that were beautiful and different.

The vast Lake Victoria near Entebbe must be the haunt of a thousand different birds and I longed to stay. However, it was really lovely to come to the end of our journey and arrive in Johannesburg half an hour earlier than scheduled. This, and the efficient way in which our friends got us through the Customs, meant that we missed Mrs. Todd and Mrs. Downs, Provincial Commissioner and Secretary of the Transvaal Guides, who had so kindly come to meet us.

A polio outbreak had put a ban on children's gatherings so it was impossible to see Guides, but I went to two lovely gatherings at Johannesburg and Pretoria and met members of the Transvaal Council, Commissioners and Local Association members. Pretoria has the most wonderful Guide Hall you can imagine, with a stage and kitchen and excellent furniture.

It was made possible for me to visit African Guiders in Sophiatown, the African slum area in Johannesburg, and also to visit the homes of some of the people, but the spirit of the Ekutuleni Mission can best be felt on a Sunday morning. To go to the Church of Christ the King in Sophiatown is something very precious to remember. A huge, full church, where the few Europeans present sat side by side with Africans and to which came many children of all ages who sat so still during the long service, much of which was translated into Sesuto and Zulu by the two attendant priests.

Now and again there was a little cry from a child, a giggle or a few hushed words like little bleats from time to time, but only when the interval before the sermon came, could one see the amount of children who seemed to appear from everywhere to go out in an orderly way, and you were reminded of Our Lord's words to Peter: 'Feed my Sheep, Feed my Lambs'.

Whatever may be the fate of the non-European Missions in South Africa, their witness to the truth, and their untiring service must surely bring a



[By courtesy of Central Office of Information]
African children at a primary school in Gagaza, Uganda,
have a lesson in shopping

measure of gentleness and peace, of loving kindness and understanding to a multitude of people.

At Tumelong, in the Lady Selbourne location, Pretoria, there is just the same feeling. There I met other African Guiders and heard about their problems which seemed to be largely those of multitudinous numbers. Many of them spoke of the good and useful things the Queen's Guides had sent and some had pen friends in different parts of England.

A quite different side to African housing was shown at Natalspruit, the new modern location for 15,000 people sponsored by the Germiston Council (about twenty-five miles from Johannesburg). Here were Africans living in good modern houses built by themselves, with their own gardens, some of which were quite beautiful. There is plenty of grass and playing room for the children and a school which was making a most noble effort to cater for the many hundreds who clamoured for education. Everywhere there was a sense of pride and progress and a feeling of security.

After a really fascinating journey through beautiful country, but on perilous roads, we arrived at Mbabane, Swaziland, where there was a small rally of Guides. As it had rained almost

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### Letters to Lieutenant-2

DEAR Margaret,
That's grand! We've put you down as
First Aider, and Ann will be Q.M. Remind me
to let you have the First Aid box when you come
home for Easter and we'll try to go through things
then.

Your visit to the Severn Wild Fowl Trust made me thoroughly envious; it's a place I've always wanted to see. When I was staying up that way some years ago a friend suddenly asked me to go. Before I could think how to reorganize the day and pack in something else as well I'd said: 'I don't think I ought to' in an undecided sort

of way-and the chance was lost.

Funnily enough Betty was telling me of a similar thing when she went out 'night hawking' with a friend on the last night of her Devon holiday. They didn't think of it until 10 p.m., and she very nearly said 'No'—thinking of the packing and the very early start. But she said she wouldn't have missed those two hours for anything—punting upstream in Salcombe Creek to listen to the waders as they came down on to mud as the tide ebbed; gliding downstream at midnight on their way home and hauling the boat into the boathouse like a couple of smugglers at the end. The memory of the exquisite piping of the redshank kept her company, she said, through many a dull winter day.

Did I ever tell you of that day in camp in Cornwall when we turned the programme upside down, as the early morning was the only time the buses fitted? That was the same sort of thing, I think. At one time I'd have had a fit at the thought of rolling up beds almost as soon as we'd wriggled out of them, and of leaving all the jobs until we came home—but I'm sure it was worth it.

No one was any the worse and we'd all had a day out that we couldn't have enjoyed in any other way. And perhaps those youngsters caught the idea that routine can sometimes be broken

without disaster!

Who was it who said 'A love of the unexpected is the mark of a true Scout'? I can't remember for certain, but I think it was in E. E. Reynold's The Scout Movement. If you haven't read that book do get a copy from the Library, or borrow mine at Easter.

I can hear you murmuring 'yes', but there has to be a 'usual routine' or there's no fun in departing from it—and I quite agree. And I think we only enjoy the unexpected from some sort of framework of security. (Or am I wrong?)

The District Rangers had a Thinking Day meeting this year at dawn, in a howling gale an' all. Quite mad, and so unreasonable; but they won't forget 22nd February, 1955, in a hurry! Dear worthy Miss C. thought it was a Bad Idea when

Mary described it at the District meeting afterwards; she thought their work might have suffered as a result of that day. That seems to be another thing that makes life so dull and ordinary for some thing that makes life so dull and ordinary for some all for encouraging a sense of responsibility, but I have a feeling that what we call 'being conscientious' is sometimes just plain lack of enterprise and being a stick-in-the-mud! It's been cropping up in my mind a good deal lately, this jogging along in a rut. It seems to get hold of people—when there's so much to be explored and enjoyed if only we'll take the trouble to look for it and take the chance when it comes, as you did. What think you?

Best wishes,

DIANA

### The Children's Act and Scout Entertainments

CONCERN HAS been expressed by some Scouters lest a recent decision in one of the London Magistrates' Courts should have made it necessary for any Scout or Cub to be licensed by the local education authority before he may take part in a Scout entertainment, whether or not any charge is made to any of the audience.

No apprehension need be felt on this point; the decision in that case was on facts materially different from those of a Scout or other entertainment of which the profits are devoted to the objects

of the Scout movement.

The point is clearly covered by section 22 of the Children and Young People's Act, 1933, which made such licence unnecessary provided:

(a) the boy has not during the preceeding six months taken part on more than six occasions in entertainments for which any charge was made

to any of the audience; and

(b) the net proceeds of the entertainment are devoted to purposes other than the private profit of the promoters. This it will be seen covers taking part not only in Scout entertainments but also performances given to assist other worthy objects, such as, for instance, some need of a Church, or the building of a village hall.

It must however, be noted that a licence is necessary for a boy who is going to exceed the permitted number of appearances whilst he is still of compulsory school age (i.e, until he has attained the age of 15, or if he attains the age of 15 during a school term, until the end of the state of 15 during

a school term until the end of that term.)

D. Francis Morgan

[Legal Adviser, Boy Scouts Association]
(Reprinted from the March 'Scouter,' by
courtesy of the Editor and Mr. D. Francis Morgan)

### Notes of the Month

Thinking Day in Jamaica

H.R.H. The Princess Margaret graciously received the Thinking Day pennies from Jamaican Brownies, Guides and Rangers during her visit to Denbigh on 22nd February. The purse was presented by a Ranger, accompanied by a Guide and a Brownie, and this has just been sent by the Princess's Lady-in-Waiting to the General Secretary at Headquarters to forward to the World Bureau. It was designed by a member of the movement and consists of a figure about eight inches long, representing a Guide on one side and a Ranger on the other. Attached to the main figure was a smaller figure, representing a Brownie, and the cheque was enclosed in an ingenious pocket inside the cloth figure.

#### At the Guildhall on 22nd February

One thousand London Rangers, with the Commissioner for London, Lady Cochrane, their County Commissioners and their Guiders, had the privilege of greeting the World Chief Guide on Thinking Day in the historic surroundings of the Guildhall. In her talk on the Founder the Chief Guide said: 'There could not be a more ideal place than the Guildhall to talk about the Founder in. He was born in London, educated in London in the old Charterhouse, not far from here, and then when the school moved to Surrey he learnt the joys and wonder of the out-of-doors in the school of the woods where he first trained himself in Scouting. Then as a soldier he travelled far and wide, carrying out his duty to the Queen. He was learning how to handle men, all unconscious of his future destiny. In 1913 he was Master of the Mercers' Company. . . . We have had the great privilege of coming to the Guildhall which has recently been rebuilt. Rangers of today are

rebuilding, helping to bring life and hope into the homes of England and make them happier. You're at the beginning. We hand on to you the torch. Rangers are the corps d'elite. At first my husband wasn't sure if, with your growing up, vigorous personalities, you would want to continue with

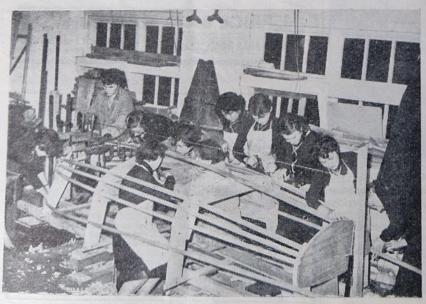


The Chief Guide greets a Ranger, Edith Wyatt, at the Guildhall. (Centre) Miss O. Clarke, skipper of S.R.S. 'London'

this game of his. You have proved you wanted it. You are the fulfilment . . .

The last time I came into this Hall was in 1929 when the Founder was given the Freedom of the City of London. We might almost say you are sharing in his Freedom by following the trail he blazed for you. May I congratulate you on what you have done already. I know only too well the

pressure upon you in schools, in colleges, at business and in your homes. Perhaps you may even take on too many jobs and perhaps it is time to call a halt. You may even have to drop out for a short time, but if, and when, you come back I know you will give back what you have received—because service to our movement is what we need. How Guiding has opened doors for us to give in



Members of the crew of S.R.S.

Delight', Torquay, building a rowing dinghy at Homelands Technical
School for the Ranger Festival
Exhibition

[By courtesy 'The Herald Express', Torquay]

full measure. We have learnt to take the rough with the smooth and to be prepared for whatever may come through service to our God and our

country.

During the evening Lady Baden-Powell was presented with Thinking Day pennies by each section in a model trek-cart, the M.T.B. 630 and an aeroplane. Loyal greetings were cabled to the Chief Ranger of the British Commonwealth and Empire, H.R.H. The Princess Margaret, then in Jamaica on her Caribbean tour.

#### Hindleap Warren and Blackland Camp Sites

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the wooded country around is ideal for wide games. For fuller details write to the Warden.

### Wanted: a Resident Trainer for Netherurd

Diploma'd Guiders are invited to apply as soon as possible for particulars of the post of Resident Trainer at Netherurd to the Secretary, Scottish Headquarters, 16 Coates Crescent, Edinburgh.

### Two Camp Secretaries Needed

If you are a keen camper and looking for a holiday job in the summer why not write for particulars of the camp secretary's post at Foxlease or Waddow to the Secretary, Imperial Training Department at Headquarters.

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

What about spending your Easter or Whitsun holiday at Waddow? At Easter there is a ten-day training (7th to 18th April) for Guiders of all branches with a grand opportunity during the second week-end for taking part in bird-watching (you need not know anything about birds). There will also be many other outdoor activities which will help to keep your company or pack out of doors this summer.

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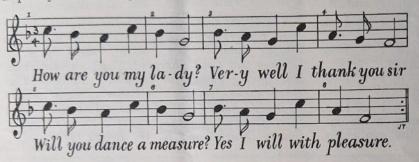
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### The Value of Singing Games - 2

#### By Jean Dalgleish

NE of the first difficulties in getting up a Brownies' concert is deciding what we can do and allocating the parts. If, long before the entertainment is even thought of, the pack has been playing singing games, particularly the imaginative ones, that hurdle is considerably lowered. The Brownies have some idea of moving instead of being so many little wooden figures, and we can help very much to improve their acting ability.



It is a good idea sometimes to say that instead of playing the game properly, everybody will take the chief parts of 'Old Roger' (or any other game) and you will choose the best. This will give everybody an idea of what the old woman can do, particularly if you can say why you choose one Brownie. If she objects to the others copying her this can be countered by telling her (in suitable language) that imitation is the sincerest form of flattery.

Different types of games give an opportunity for thinking out different kinds of actions. In 'Roman Soldiers' (C.S.) all can do the same actions if they like or else branch out into originality. 'How are you my lady?' is a completely different type of game, slow and stately, where the ladies pretend to be wearing wide panniered skirts and the gentlemen lace ruffles and swords.

#### How Are You My Lady?

How are you my lady? Very well, I thank

Will you dance a measure? Yes, I will with pleasure.

Chorus: Tra la. la la la, Tra la. la. la. la. la!

Tra la. la. la. la, Tra la. la. la. la. la. la!

> All take partners and stand in a circle.

> Bars 1 and 2: Gentlemen

Bars 3 and 4: Ladies curtsey.

Bars 5 and 6: Gentlemen offer their hands.

Bars 7 and 8: Ladies accept.

Chorus (same tune).

Bars 1-4: A stately slipping step forward and back.

Bars 5 and 6: All bow or curtsey.

Bars 7 and 8: Gentlemen ceremoniously pass the ladies on to the next gentleman and all

begin again with a new partner.

There are, of course, many other singing games from various countries which Brownies would enjoy. Perhaps the best way of getting to know them is when possible to visit other packs and hear what the Brownies are playing, and to attend Brownie Guiders' Trainings, when singing games are often taught.

MILKING PAILS (Tune: 'Mulberry Bush')

One stands in the middle and is mother. The others make a circle round her and pretend to be horrid little girls. They join hands and skip round while singing each verse until the last line, when they stand still and loose hands.

CHILDREN: Mother pray buy us some milking

Milking pails, milking pails,

Mother pray buy us some milking

O, please, mother do!

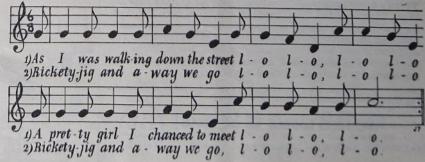
MOTHER (speaking, not singing):

But where is the money to come from?

CHILDREN: Sell my father's feather bed, etc.

MOTHER: But where is your father to sleep?

CHILDREN: Put him in the children's bed, etc.



MOTHER: Where are the children to sleep?

CHILDREN: Put them in the pigsty, etc.

MOTHER: Where is the pig to go?

CHILDREN: Put it in your wash tub, etc.

MOTHER: But what shall I wash in?

CHILDREN: Wash in your thimble, etc.

MOTHER: What shall I sew with?

CHILDREN: Sew with the poker, etc.

MOTHER: What shall I poke the fire with? CHILDREN: Poke it with your finger, etc.
MOTHER: But I shall burn my finger.

MOTHER: But I shall burn my finger. CHILDREN (speaking): And serve you jolly well

right.

On 'right' they all run away and mother tries to catch one who is mother next time. Most immoral—but remember we are only pretending.

RICKETY JIG:

(1) As I was walking down the street
1 - 0, 1 - 0, 1 - 0, 1 - 0.

(2) Rickety-jig and away we go 1 - 0, 1 - 0, 1 - 0, 1 - 0.

1 - 0, 1 - 0, 1 - 0, 1 - 0 (1) A pretty girl I chanced to meet

1-0, 1-0, 1-0, 1-0.

(2) Rickety-jig and away we go 1 - 0, 1 - 0, 1 - 0, 1 - 0.

All stand in two circles, the ladies on the outside going round to the right, the gentlemen,

inside, going the opposite way. First verse, all walk round, a good jaunty walk. Second verse, gentlemen turn round, take the nearest lady, cross hands, skating fashion, and skip round. If a lady is not claimed by a gentleman she pretends she doesn't care and skips round by herself. It is the job of each gentleman to find himself a lady, if necessary going across the circle to do so. That is why it is better to have the gentlemen inside.

The verses are repeated over and over again, the ladies always going the same way and the gentlemen facing the opposite way each time. It may be advisable to point out that no one should change her sex in the middle.

The letters C.S. after 'Roman Soldiers' in the third paragraph on page 115 refer to 'Children's Singing Games' (Sets 1 to 5), edited by A. B. Gomme and Cecil Sharp (2s. 6d.). Other excellent singing games for Brownies, all stocked at Headquarters, include: 'A Baker's Dozen', edited by Mary Chater (1s.); 'Traditional Singing Games from Scotland and the Border', collected by R. Cowan Douglas and K. W. Briggs (1s.).



#### P & B Knitting goes ahead

There's a fashion everywhere this Spring for knitted hats and caps. This one, the *Copenhagen*, P & B chose from Denmark for its becoming shape, bobbled top and its tweedy look—obtained by knitting two contrasting strands together. You will find it and three other amusing hats *Acorn*, *Cloche* and *Stocking Top* in Booklet 344; all are quick to make in Patons Double Quick or Moorland Double Knitting.

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# Ideas for Packs and Companies

Picture Making for Brownies

TOKENS of some sort are usually used for scoring in Brownie games, and these spills, beans, shells, etc., will serve many other useful purposes. They can be material for handcraft, testwork, self-expression games and competitions. They will keep the Pack happily and quietly occupied while Brown Owl has a word with a visitor or prepares the next activity, and it gives her an opportunity to concentrate on an individual child who may need her undivided attention for a few minutes. Picture making is the simplest activity, but let there be a purpose behind it and, most important, allow time to discuss and admire the results.

Useful subjects in the testwork group are: washing-up tea things (in the correct order!), Health rules, table laying, compass, semaphore, things Brownies could use for doing a Good Turn or 'Lend a Hand' at home, nature (e.g., shape of leaves). Topical and seasonal events give scope for imagination-from St. George's Day to a Pack

Holiday kit list.

Another co-operative activity could be a fair or market, when each member of the Six has her own stall. Or a village, with church, shops and cottages. Tell a story and let the Pack illustrate

it as you go along.

When using spills have a variety of lengths. Match sticks can be dyed to make them more attractive, and square wooden beads are lovely for decorating the pictures—they are colourful, don't roll about, and are quite cheap when bought N.M.S. by the hundred.

#### Bertie the Bunnie (Compass Points)

An exercise book of squared paper is always useful for compass work in corner time. Here is one idea and many similar ones can be made.

Mark a starting point at the bottom of the paper with 'Bertie the Bunny' sitting beside it and the remark 'Which hole did Bertie choose?' Across the top of the page draw five circles about ½ in. in diameter, naming or lettering each. Draw small arrow in one corner of the sheet indicating

On a separate piece of paper give the clues to the track taken by 'Bertie', i.e., 2 (squares) N., 3 S.W. (diagonally across each square), 5 E., 7 N.W., etc., until the track ends at one of the circles.

Many designs and shapes can be worked out in a similar way for the Brownie to draw on the squared paper. It is very useful to Brown Owls if they keep one book with the various designs, etc., drawn and clues at the side, so that they can

easily prepare papers for the Brownies if, and when, required—in fact this is a job Pack Leader

Other designs can be added gradually. The Pack soon get used to the idea and such a compass paper can often be included in a Six treasure hunt, as one of the clues, viz., 'What were the Pirates searching for?' across the top of the page, instead of rabbit holes, could be various suggestions. suggestions, e.g., bag of gold, a treasure chest,

#### Nature Museums

EQUIPMENT: Each Six is given a box containing different nature collections: e.g., autumn fruits, seaside finds, pictures of birds or wild animals and an illustrated book or set of pictures giving names so that the Brownies can identify all specimens and write separate labels for each.

The Brownies then set out their labelled specimens in an attractive way in their own Corners and, when all is ready, report to Brown Owl, who acts as Curator and checks up on

Brownies then visit each museum, paying their subs as entrance money. Next time the game is played give each Six a different set of things. The Brownies like arranging their exhibits and learn quite a lot by finding out names and writing correct labels. This is also an opportunity for learning about the care of other people's property when visiting public places.

#### Camp Reminders

HAVE YOU:

1. Got a map of the area you are to visit so that your Guides can plan the places they want to visit?

2. Asked your Patrol Leaders to give you

suggested menus?

3. Given out a list of 'useful articles' which will need making before you go to camp?



We'll never pass first aid if you Do help, Monica. don't! Of course, you can turn your foot right roundlook !

April, 1955

Headquarters' Notices

#### NEW SOUTH WALES

The following cable was sent on behalf of all members of the movement by the Deputy Chief Commissioner, Miss Anstice Gibbs, to Guides in New South Wales: 'Guides of Great Britain send their love to New South Wales Guides and much sympathy to all who have suffered in the flood disaster '. The sum of £50 was sent from the Flood Relief Fund.

#### COMING EVENTS

The Empire Circle

The St. George's Day Party will be held at Headquarters on Thursday, 21st April, at 6.30 p.m. Overseas Guiders and Scouters will be our visitors, and the speakers will be Scouters. Mr. Peter Cook, the Overseas Secretary of the Boy Scouts Association, will take the Campfire.

Empire Youth Sunday (22nd May): Full details were published in the February and March issues. Owing to an error the date was published in the March Guider as 30th May instead of 22nd May.

#### IN MEMORIAM

Miss Ruth Akerman, who died on 10th February, was Lieutenant of the 1st Pelynt G.F.S. Company. She gave devoted service to the movement in Cornwall and was beloved by her Guides. Despite illhealth she showed cheerfulness and courage and her

village mourns her passing.

Miss Lilian Park, who died on 25th January, had been County Extension Secretary for South Lancashire for the past three years and during this time she gave unsparingly of her talents, time and energy to bringing the joy and fun of Guiding to the handicapped girl. Earlier, as a District Commissioner, her wise leadership and sound judgment were responsible, in a large measure, for the team spirit in the District, and she also gave fine service as a Brown Owl for many years.

AWARDS We offer our apologies for a printer's error in the list of awards published in the March issue, when the heading 'Certificate of Merit' was omitted. The relevant section should have read:

Medal of Merit: Mrs. H. G. Gowring, Division Commissioner for North Berks.

Certificate of Merit: Mrs. E. F. Aglen, District Commissioner for Khartoum, Sudan; Miss K. Sampson, lately District Commissioner, Tonbridge, Kent; Miss S. B. D. de Vitre, Division Commissioner for Berkshire, S.E.

#### NOTICE BOARD

Coins in Letters: Headquarters has recently had an increasing number of letters containing coins, and Guiders are reminded that not only is this illegal but the practice is apt to cause muddles when letters are being opened by a number of people on one table and coins roll out. It is also a very great help if stamps that are enclosed are fastened to their letter and not left loose in the envelope. Guiders are asked to pass this on to members of their companies who may shop by post from Headquarters.

The Catholic Guide Advisory Council are again organising a Group Camp for Catholic Non-Licensed Guiders and their Guides to be held at our Lady of Sion, Acton Burnell, near Shrewsbury, from Satur-

day, 13th August to Saturday 20th August.

A limited number of applications from non-accompanied Guides will be considered, provided that these are made to the Captain of the company who may apply for four places. A Guider accompanying Guides will be allocated up to ten places per Company. Forms can be obtained from places per Company. Forms can be obtained from the Hon. Secretary, Catholic Guide Advisory Council, 20 Paulton's House, Paulton's Square, London, S.W.3, from 5th April.

All forms must be signed by the Commissioner and Camp Adviser before being returned. A stamped addressed envelope, foolscap size, should be enclosed when sending for forms. Closing date 1st June, after which no application will be considered. Applications will be dealt with in the order that the completed

forms are returned to the Secretary.

Viola Competition: The winner of the valuable viola made by William Forster was Susan Bains, an eleven-year-old Guide in the 3rd Holy Trinity Company, Ripon, Yorkshire, who will hold the viola for at least two years. This viola is called 'Esther' in memory of Miss Parry Morgan's aunt. There will be a competition for another viola in the spring of 1956, and details will be published in THE GUIDER.

Calling all Guiders in England, Scotland and Wales! The cost of holidays at Lorne has now been reduced to 12s. 6d. per day for single guests, and 10s. per day for parties of 10 or more. You are invited to come to Ulster for an enjoyable holiday in congenial surroundings and applications should be made to the Guider-in-Charge, Lorne, Craigavad, Co. Down, Ulster

Railway Fares: Application for vouchers to obtain cheap fares when travelling by rail to camps, rallies, etc., should be made to the Girl Guide Association Headquarters. Details of numbers, journey, etc., are not required when applying for the voucher, but a stamped addressed envelope should be enclosed.

' Journey for Vicky ': Children's performances of this Guide film will be shown at the following cinemas during April and May. 'Theatre,' Rusholme (9th April); 'Palatine,' Withington (16th April); 'Osborne,' Oldham Road, Manchester (23rd April); 'Princes,' Openshaw (23rd April); 'Rex,' Openshaw (23rd April); 'Palace,' Chorlton (30th April); 'Palace,' Levenshulme (30th April); 'Pic Theatre,' Altrincham (30th April); 'Grosvenor,' All Saints, Manchester (7th May); 'Globe,' Old Trafford (14th May); 'Palace,' Droylsden (14th May); 'Crown,' Eccles (14th May); 'Palace,' Stalybridge (21st May); 'Adelphi,' Moston (28th May).

Trefoil Guild Recruiting Leaflets: The new version of 'Have you dropped out?' are now available at 2d. a copy, plus postage. Orders from Guilds Orders from Guilds should be sent to Guide Headquarters or to Branch shops. County Recorders wanting to order in large quantities are referred to the notice in the spring

issue of 'Notes and News'.

### Planning Brownie Revels

#### By Kay Knott

NE definition of Brownie Revels might be 'a programme, following a story theme, of fun and games and food, taking place where possible

out of doors'.

Having decided well ahead that Revels would be a good idea, either for one pack or several, certain preliminary preparations must be taken in hand. The meeting-place should be decided on, and booked, well ahead. A garden with large lawns is the ideal situation, but meadows and parks (not public) are suitable. School playing fields are possible sites though rather dull, and the lack of shade if the day is hot might be trying. If no outdoor facilities are available Revels (although not quite within the meaning of the Act!) may be held in a hall. In any case 'what to do if wet' must be an item on the agenda.

#### Recruit Enough Helpers

If a private garden has been offered, the kind owner should be made aware beforehand of what is involved and the Brownies instructed in the care of other people's property. Provision should be made for adequate toilet facilities, and first aid and transport and—most important—food. Members of Local Associations or Trefoil Guilds will usually help with the catering as a sufficiency of adult helpers is one secret of success. Rangers or older Guides may also be roped in to help.

Having fixed the date and arranged the place, the theme of the Revels must be considered. Once the idea of a story theme is understood there are countless sources from which to choose. 'Alice in Wonderland,' 'Peter Pan,' 'Robin Hood,' 'Hiawatha,' 'The Wind in the Willows' are just a few. The packs taking part should be made familiar with the story in advance. This is important if every Brownie is really to understand what the Revels are about and enjoy them to the full.

#### Choose the Theme

Here is one way of developing 'The Wind in the Willows' for District Revels with five packs taking part. Similar schemes are quite suitable and much simpler to organize for a smaller number.

Each pack represented one animal: squirrels, rabbits, hedgehogs, field mice and foxes and produced one main character: badger, rat, mole, etc. It was arranged to dress the main character for his part, but the 'animals' could have masks and/or tails.

As the packs arrived they went to pre-arranged Pack Homes where they left their belongings. While waiting for the main proceedings to begin,

each Brownie coloured an outline animal, prepared by Brown Owl, and pinned it to her uniform. Masks and tails were also attached. Each pack was then divided into five groups and each group was given a different coloured label.

After a large Fairy Ring, and the introduction of guests, Badger 'magicked' all the Brownies into the wild wood. Rat and Mole and the other main characters, each in turn waving a flag of his own colour, led off his own group of Brownies to different parts of the park—Badger's Home, Gates of Dawn, Mole End, Toad Hall and River Bank, marked by posters prepared beforehand by the packs. For the next hour the Guider and Ranger helper at each 'Home' organized games of a suitable, topical flavour, the five groups of 'animals' moving round from Home to Home at ten-minute intervals. The Brownies were told how to move by the Guider at each Home—they crept noiselessly to the Gates of Dawn, bunny-jumped to the Wild Wood, and so on. The signal to move on was provided by Toad's motor horn.

Next came tea, a real animals' tea party, followed by a Treasure Hunt, each group of animals following a separate trail, laid during tea, all leading to the hiding-place of Little Portly who had wandered off and got lost. All the groups then returned to the big centre circle and Badger 'magicked' them back to be mere Brownies again. Masks and tails were removed, votes of thanks were given by Brownies specially chosen beforehand, and a Grand Salute to the guests of honour and then home again—every visible sign of the Revels having been removed.

#### Know the Job Beforehand

One or two points emerged from the above outline. As in any pack programme a good deal of thoughtful planning is needed, and it is important that all the helpers should know what is expected of them well ahead if the Revels are to move smoothly from enjoyment to enjoyment without awkward pauses or undisciplined confusion.

Where several packs are taking part it is a great opportunity for the Brownies to look beyond their own packs and meet others. This is achieved if the packs are divided into groups as suggested above

The important ingredients in such an undertaking are firstly, imagination in its planning and carrying through (and here it is usually the Guider not the Brownies who find difficulty) and, secondly, enjoyment. Don't you agree the two are complementary?

# Headquarters' Insurance Policies

#### GUIDERS' INDEMNITY POLICY

LL Guiders in Great Britain and Ulster are insured A LL Guiders in Great Britain and Ulster are insured under the Guiders' Indemnity Policy, the premium for which is paid by Headquarters. This policy provides reasonable cover for all liabilities in respect of injury to any member of the movement during her organized Guiding activities and extends to cover legal liability to the public for personal injury or property damage by reason of any proved negligence on the part of a member in the course of normal Guiding activities.

Rallies and Fetes, etc.: It has been agreed that our policy shall extend to cover liability to the public as applying to forms of public entertainment organized by any local Guide unit or district, i.e. dances, whist drives, concerts, displays or similar functions, in or out of doors, but where any function of major proportions is organized at division, county or higher level it is essential that Headquarters be notified beforehand as it may well be that payment of a special premium may be required to secure adequate cover for the Public Risk

Air Ranger Flights: Guiders in charge of Air Ranger Flights should in no circumstances allow any Air Ranger to take a flight by aeroplane or glider until she has completed a form, giving indemnity to the Girl Guides Association. This form should then be held in the Guider's safe keeping. This is most important.

Claims: If any claim is made against a Guider in respect of an accident or damage to property, Head quarters, should be potified inventibility giving full.

quarters should be notified immediately giving full details.

No liability of any sort should be incurred or admitted, or any offer of payment made without written consent from Headquarters or the underwriters with whom the

insurance is placed.

A Warning re Signing of Indemnities: We would point out to Guiders that under no circumstances should undertake to give written indemnity to anyone without consulting Imperial Headquarters as by doing so without first obtaining permission they may jeopardize the protection afforded by our Guiders' Indemnity Policy (legal liability policy).

#### Personal Accident and Medical Expenses Policy

Since November, 1949, Imperial Headquarters has paid the premium for this insurance and all members in Great Britain and Ulster are automatically insured. Experience has shown us that there is still a need for our policy in spite of the National Insurance Act; there are, for instance, various expenses which are not provided for under the act and for which a Guider may feel morally liable, and it is the object of our policy to cover such expenses.

#### What is Covered

The primary object of the insurance is to cover the moral liability of Guiders for accidents sustained during

Guiding activities throughout the year.

The policy will pay the sums within its limits in respect of any accident sustained during any organized Guiding activity, including the necessary travel thereto and therefrom, and any illness which may be contracted during the period of any Guide camp, pack holiday or

The policy is normally restricted to the limits of Great Britain and Ulster, but it shall extend to cover camping, touring, holiday or sightseeing parties in Eire and/or the Continent of Europe, including travel

The insurance under the policy shall apply to all authorized and conducted parties and extends in such circumstances to cover:

Winter sports and mountaineering

\* Air training, including flying or gliding.
\* Travel in any form of conveyance.

#### Who is Covered

The policy will cover:
(a) The total active membership of the Association in Great Britain and Ulster.

Trefoil Guild members. Non-Guide helpers when undertaking any specific voluntary service in connection with any Guiding

(d) Any Dominion, Colonial or Foreign Guides visit-ing this country on an official Guide invitation. N.B.—Extension members and/or any members suffering from any form of physical disability are covered under the policy except for any claim arising directly or indirectly from such disability.

This policy does not cover ex-members who are not Trefoil Guild members, nor does it cover paid workers.

Imperial Headquarters must be notified immediately an accident or illness occurs. Failure to comply with this within seven days may invalidate the claim when A claim form will then be sent to the applicant to be filled in; this must be returned to Imperial Headquarters immediately and all bills and accounts for expenses incurred must be sent as soon as possible.

It should be borne in mind that the policy is a private one arranged for the Girl Guides Association, its intention is only to cover such expenses as would have been incurred did no such policy exist, and all claims will be considered on that basis. It follows from this that Guiders and parents when arranging treatment should first take all possible steps to obtain such treatment under the National Insurance Act.

The Schedule of Compensation

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of Accident	ANY	£500
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7. Permanent and irrecoverable total disablement from accidental injuries certified after twelve months' treatment, other than loss of limbs or eyes as above provided

Medical expenses: Including cost of convey-ance by ambulance or other means of trans-... £500 port to hospital or home, necessarily incurred by or on behalf of any individual:

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\* Although compensation can be claimed under the Personal Accident and Medical Expenses Policy for accidents which may occur, it should be borne in mind that the schedule of compensation is limited. It is therefore (a) of the paragraph under Guiders' Indemnity Policy reflying;
(b) that when travelling by lorry, care should be taken to ascertain that the lorry driver is licensed to carry passengers and that his policy holds good for Third Party risks in this respect. In most cases an endorsement can be obtained for a reasonable premium.

### **Books and Leaflets**

Kabongo, by Richard St. Barbe Baker (George Ronald, 10s.). Tribal customs in Africa are of interest to all of us at the present time and more especially when the tribe concerned is the Kikuyu. This small book describes the life of a Kikuyu Chief and the impact of the coming of the white man on the tribe.

It is written with an understanding of the



Kikuyu derived personal from experience in their midst. The reader will perceive some of the natural causes of the present unrest and the land that hunger ensues when an expanding tribal population is confined within the limits of available land. The book is delightfully illustrated with engravings by Yvonne Skargon. D.M.P.

£20

£30

A Fact Worth Knowing (British Council of Churches Youth Department). This leaflet is designed to help those who are responsible for planning programmes for youth groups to put before

young people a picture of the many ways in which the Christian Churches are working together in the world today. It contains useful suggestions of practical ways in which young people can learn more tical ways in which young people can learn more of what is happening in the world-wide Church through speakers, film strips, literature, etc., and would be of real interest to Ranger captains.

M.W.

The British Flag (Brown, Son & Ferguson, 3s. 6d.). Here at last is a booklet which every member of the movement should read, telling us, not only what our flag looks like, but also the 'why' of it. Not only that, it also gives brief notes on the Saints, George, Andrew and Patrick, and their legends, too. There is an interesting bit for Sea Rangers about the origins of the various ensigns and some very illuminating information as to who may use the Union Jack, both ashore and afloat. I recommend this booklet. It is informative, clearly set out and well illustrated in colour.

E. A.-W.

### NEW, OR REVISED H.Q. PUBLICATIONS

No. 3, Child Nurse and No. 9, Gardener, two new booklets in the *Hints on Girl Guide Badges* series, are now ready and may be purchased from Headquarters and all Branch shops for 6d. each, plus 3d. postage and packing.

Sea Sense. The new, revised edition can now be obtained from Headquarters and all Branch shops

for 8s. 6d., plus 6d. postage and packing.

Philippa, P.L.—Letters to a Patrol Leader, by Elizabeth Hartley, is again available, price 1s. 6d., plus 3d. postage and packing, from Headquarters and all Branch shops.

(a) Following an accident occurring whilst under the control of any officer or other authorized official; or

(b) By reason of illness (common to both sexes) arising during participation in any recognized or official indoor or outdoor camp, training course or other activity involving domicile away from home. Provided always that the illness be diagnosed or the indisposition such as to require initial treatment during the period of camp, course, or activity but in no case shall the benefit extend to infectious or contagious diseases developed after the individual concerned has left the scene of camp, course or activity.

N.B.—No claim arises for services rendered under the National Services Act, 1946. Anywhere in Great Britain or Ulster—Limit

any one individual ...

Anywhere in Eire and/or on the Continent of Europe—Limit any one individual ...

Out-of-Pocket Travelling or Personal Expenses
Where necessarily incurred by or on behalf
of any one individual following an accident
or illness as defined under Benefit 8.

N.B.—Extra Travelling Expenses incurred by an officer or a parent summoned to attend are recognized for the purpose of this Section. £10

10. Weekly Compensation as a result of Temporary Total Disablement By accident or illness as defined by Benefit 8, restricted to those who have left school on the date on which the accident or illness

the date on which the accident or illness occurs. Limit 26 weeks. Claims under £2 10s. not recoverable. Per week per individual ... £2 10s.

Note.—For the purpose of Guide insurance, Headquarters does not recognize hitch hiking as an official Guide activity.

#### Insurance of Boats Owned by Sea Ranger Crews

To those responsible for insurance of boats it may be of interest to know that a block policy has now been arranged by the Brokers who handle the Headquarters' Personal Accident and Medical Expenses Policy.

A collective policy enables a lower charge of premium and as the policy becomes more widely used, the scale of premium may be reduced. Guiders who are interested should apply direct to the Brokers, Messrs. Durtnell & Fowler, Sackville House, 143-149 Fenchurch Street, London, E.C.3.

### Company Drill

HE company gets ready and stands easy in a relaxed position, right foot stationary. No talking. The three Markers are chosen. Captain stands at attention and gives the command: 'Company'.

The Guides come to the at ease position. 'Company Marker, Fall-in.' The right marker (right hand Guide of the front rank) comes to attention, marches towards Captain, halts four paces away facing her, stands to attention and then stands at ease. The second and third markers fall in at the same time as the rest of the company on the next command.

Company Fall-in.' The Guides come to attention, march smartly to the left of the markers (or run if desired), fall in, in three ranks, and stand at ease.



The distance between ranks, and between each Guide as they fall in should be one pace (30 in.). They should practise this distance so there is little movement on the command 'Right Dress'. If the total number is not divisible by three there will be a 'blank file' (see diagram 1), if there are two Guides missing there will be a second space in the rear rank, behind the first in the centre rank.

Company, Atten-tion.' The Guides bring the left foot smartly up to the right and hands to the sides, fingers tucked in, thumbs forward.

'Right\_Dress.' The right-hand marker of the front rank stands fast; the right-hand markers of the second and third ranks correct their distance (30 in.) and cover off, looking to the front. All Guides in the front rank turn their head and eyes to the right and raise their right arm, with fist clenched, so that they just touch the shoulder of the Guide on their right, thus correcting their alignment. Guides in the second and third ranks cover off from the front, and dress, by looking to the right, but do not raise their arms. They stand thus until the next order.

'Eyes Front'. The right hand is dropped smartly and the head and eyes turned to the front.

'Company will move to the right in threes, Right\_Turn.' Company will turn to the right, ready to move off. Captain moves to the front of the company, taking her place 5 paces away from, and in front of, the second marker. She comes to the halt and turns left. Simultaneously, lieutenant marches to the rear of the company and, in the

same way, takes her place behind the last Guide of the centre column. (Diagram 2.)

Company by the Left, Quick\_March.'

'Company-Halt.' Captain and Lieutenant return to their original places. (See diagram 1.)

Company, Left\_Turn.

'Company, Right\_Dress,' as before.

'Company, Dis\_miss.' The company turns to the right and salutes. This is done to a count of seven 1, 2, turn; 3, 4, 5, salute; 6, hand down; 7,

break away. Should the company be marching with Colours, a gap must be made in the centre of the company for these. (See diagram 3.) This is done as follows: After the first command 'Eyes—Front' the command 'Front rank number' is given. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 (see diagram 1).

Numbers four to the end, Left-Turn. Three

paces forward-March. Right-Turn.

March on the Colours.'

After 'Company Halt, Left\_Turn', the Colours are marched off, and the gap closed with the following commands.

Front Rank, Number,'

Numbers four to the end, Right\_Turn.'

'Three paces forward\_March.'

Left\_Turn.

Then continue with 'Company, Right-Dress,'

If the numbering is uneven, for instance, 9, then a gap is made slightly to the front of the company. The command in this case would be 'Numbers five to the end . . . Left\_Turn '

I. MORRISON.

#### When to Use a Pencil!

Use a pencil:

1. To draw sketch maps of hidden treasure.

2. To write and decipher codes.

3. To make note of coming events.

4. To make 'Out of Order' notices.

Don't use a pencil:

1. To write 'what you would do if . . . ' (Stage the scene and do it.)

2. To draw tracking signs.

3. To answer long test papers. (Make the test oral and practical.)

4. To write answers in games. (Put them on tickets and let the Guides find them.) B.K.A.

#### THE TREFOIL SCHOOL

Lady required to drive ear and look after linen and mending at the Trefoil School for Physically Handicapped Children, Hermiston, Midlothian. Secretary.



#### IMPERIAL HEADQUARTERS TRAINING BURSARIES AVAILABLE

Fee Bursaries, 1955: This entitles a Guider to attend Foxlease, Waddow, or M.T.B. at half-rate.

Fare Bursaries: Assistance will be given to Guiders on a basis of fourfifths of the railway fare in excess of £1. Further details from the of £1. Secretary, Training Department, I.H.O.

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 Training Department, of the training the Guider wishes to attend. Applications must be made at least a fortnight before training.

#### FOXLEASE

April

\*5-15 Guide, Brownie and Ranger Guiders

Commissioners, Guide and 19-26 Brownie Guiders

May. Hampshire 29- 2

May

Outdoor Activities 6-10 Buckinghamshire

Guide and Brownie Guiders June. Guide and Brownie Guiders at week-ends. Holiday mid-week

Tune

London N.W. 10-12

Guide and Brownie Guiders 17-21 July. Northamptonshire

July

5-12 Commissioners, Guide and Brownie Guiders (Guiders may bring children under five)

15-22 Holiday period with training at week-end for those who wish (Guiders may bring their mothers)

26- 2 General (i) Refresher (ii) Elementary

August

†5-15

Patrol Leaders.
Sept. Guide and Brownie
Guiders 30- 6

September

9-13 Ranger Guiders (all Sections)

16-23 Rangers

Oct. Winter Camp Training and outdoor activities

### Where to Train

October

7-11 Guide and Brownie Guiders 14-18 Wiltshire

Guide Guiders. Emphasis 21-25 on First Class

Guide and Brownie 28- 1 Nov. Guiders

November

Guide and Brownie Guiders

11-15 First Class Testers (Eng-land)

Commissioners

Guide and Brownie Guiders 25-29

\* Applications for less than one week can now be accepted.

#### WADDOW

April

1-3 Manchester

Guide, Brownie and Ranger (15-18 Outdoor Activities including Bird Watching) 7-18

Guide and Brownie Guiders 22-26 Guide and Brownie 29- 3

May. Guiders

May

6-10 Lincolnshire

Commissioners 10-13

13-17 N.W. Lancs Commissioners, Guide and 20-24 Brownie Guiders

General Training and holi-27-31 day

July Aug. King George VI Memorial Course 126- 5

August

Patrol Leaders 18-17

Rangers, Training and holi-20-26

day ot. Guide and Brownie Sept. Guiders 30- 6 (Guiders may bring their mothers)

September

9-13 Yorkshire Central 13-20

Extension Guiders Yorkshire W.R.N.W 23-25

Oct. Guide and Brownie 30-4 Guiders

October

Ranger Guiders (All Sec-7-11 tions)

Guide and Brownie Guiders 14-18

21-25

Brownie Guiders Nov. Guide and Brownie 28- 1 Nov. Guiders

November

Guide and Brownie Guiders 18-22

Music and Drama 25-29

December

2- 6 First Class Testers (England)

† Guiders are reminded that only two P.L.s  $(13\frac{1}{2}-15\frac{1}{2})$  from each company can be accepted.

† It is regretted that alterations have had to be made in the July and August dates in order to arrange the King George VI Memorial Course.



Fees: Single room, £4 4s. per week, 13s. 6d. per day; double room, £3 10s. per week, 11s. 6d. per day; shared room, £2 15s. per week, 9s. 6d. per day. Garage, 7s. 6d. per week, 1s. 6d. per day.

Applications for Foxlease and Waddow should be sent (with a deposit of 7s. 6d.) and a stamped addressed envelope to the Secretary. addressed envelope to the Foxlease, Lyndhurst, Hants, or to the Secretary, Waddow Hall, Clitheroe, Lancs. (Where there is Clitheroe, Lancs. (Where there is more than one type of training please state for which group you wish to apply.)

#### M.T.B.

April Guiders

7-14 28-21 May. Guiders (Fitting Out)

June 4-7 Commissioners and Ranger Guiders (Trainees may stay on to the 10th on holiday)

July August. Guiders 30- 6

August

Guiders (Sailing oppor-13-20 tunities)

September

3-10 Guiders (Sailing tunities)

(See THE RANGER for Sea Ranger trainings.)

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

A Diploma'd Guiders' Conference for Guide, Brownie and Ranger Diploma'd Guiders will be held at St. Anne's College, Oxford, from 15th-19th April. Applications should be sent to The Secretary, Imperial Training Department, Headquarters.

A Residential Training for Lone Guiders, Guide and Ranger, will be held at Netherurd from 22nd-25th April, 1955. Applications should be made as soon as possible to the Secretary, Netherurd, West Linton, Peeblesshire, Scotland.

A Conference in Camp will be held at Foxlease from 19th-26th August, 1955, open to Cadets from England, Scotland, Ulster and Wales, and it is also hoped to have visitors from

Overseas. As numbers are restricted it is regretted that only two places can be allocated to each English county, although additional names county, although additional names will be accepted on a waiting list. Applications: Scotland, Ulster and Wales to the Cadet Adviser for the country. England, through counties, to the Secretary, Imperial Training Department. (Applications forms have been circulated with the March 'County Commissioners' Bulletin'.) Bulletin '.)

#### **ENGLAND**

The following training will be held at I.H.Q. and is open to all Commissioners. Applications, enclosing the appropriate fee, to be made to: The Secretary, English Training Department, I.H.Q.

Commissioners' Training. Monday, 2nd May and Wednesday, 11th May, 7-9 p.m. Fee: 2/-. These trainings are primarily for Com-missioners of under two years' experience.

#### SCOTLAND

April	Netherurd
1- 4	1st Class and Golden Hand
7-12	Guide and Brownie Guiders
15-18	Guide and Brownie Guiders (booking from Aberdeen)
22-25	I.H.Q. Lone Guiders'
†29- 2	May. International. Ranger Guiders (two sections)
Marr	

Roxburghshire and Ber-\*6- 9 wickshire Guide and Brownie Guiders 13-16

Ranger Adventure Week-20-23

27-30 Commissioners' Training

Tune

Glasgow N.E. 3- 6 Handcraft Circle 10-13 Camp Fire Training 17-20

July

Patrol Leaders (Open) Patrol Leaders (Open) 8-12 15-19

August

Patrol Leaders' Camp Patrol Leaders' Representa-2-9 12-19 tive Training

23-30 Commonwealth and International Week (Edinburgh Festival)

\* At the 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.

† Separate training.

The fees for Netherurd are the same as those for Foxlease. Applications to the Secretary, Netherurd, Blyth Bridge, West Linton, Peebles-

#### WALES

Broneirion April 3 Cadets nd of Red Dragon (Juniors, age 14-21). Places allocated on 7-12 Land county quota system

29- 1 May. Outdoor Activities

May 6- 8 Warranted Guide Guiders-Refresher Course Patrol Leaders 26-31

June Brownie Guiders' Refresher 10-12 Course July. General Training

23- 2 July Extensions Holiday

4-14 Patrol Leaders 22-29

August Patrol Leaders 4-11 19-22

Guide Guiders Patrol Leaders. Cardiff and 23-30 and East Glamorgan

October 7- 9 Cardiff and East Glamorgan 14-16 Shropshire

14-16 Shropshire 28-30 Welsh Trainers.

November

4- 6 Ranger Adventure Camp

Fees for Broneirion are the same as those for Foxlease. Applications enclosing a deposit of 5s. to the Guider-in-Charge, Broneirion, Llandinam, Mont.

#### ULSTER

#### Lorne

April 1- 3 S.E. Belfast Patrol Leaders 22-24 Co. Armagh

Fees: 8s. 3d. per day. Applications for training at Lorne to Guider-in-Charge, Craigavad, Co. Down, enclosing a deposit of 5s. At County week ends there may be a certain number of places for Guiders from other areas, and any Guider may apply for a place at these trainings.

Lorne as a Holiday Lorne is open for holiday bookings during July and August. It makes during July and August. an excellent centre within easy reach of the sea, country or town and there are many pleasant and interesting excursions, possibly by coach. Patrol duties are kept to a minimum; uniform need not be brought; packed meals can be produced, or 2s. 6d. deducted from the bill if out for main meal.

Fees are 12s. 6d. per day, unless one of a party of ten or more when the fee is reduced to 10s. a day. The boat trip is by night from Liverpool, Heysham, Glasgow or Stranraer; party tickets are available, but these should be applied for in very good time. Applications should be sent to the Guider-in-Charge, Lorne, Craigavad, Co. Down, Ulster, with 5s. deposit.

Lorne Camp Sites. There are two fully equipped sites at Lorne. The charge is 30s. for an equipped site per week, with extra for hiring of tents and groundsheets. For further particulars apply to the Guider-in-Charge, Lorne, Craigavad, Co. Down, Ulster.

### CAMPING AND HOLIDAYS

Blackland Farm, East Grinstead, Sussex. Applications for camp sites should be made to the Warden. Indoor camping facilities are available all the year round and 'Restrop' is furnished for parties of ter

'Restrop' is furnished for parties of ten.

Pack Holiday House, Waddow.

Applications for the Pack Holiday House should be made to the Guider-in-Charge, Waddow. The House is available for Guides, Rangers and Cadets with their Guiders between September and April inclusive, though preference will always be given to packs.

Foxlease or Waddow. Applications for camp sites should be addressed to the Secretary and the envelope marked 'Camp'. Applications must be accompanied by a

tions must be accompanied by a letter of recommendation from your C.A., together with a deposit of 5s. (which will be forfeited if the booking is cancelled) and the necessary stamped envelope.

The written recommendation of the C.A. is necessary as everyone will realise that all camps at the Training Centres must be of a high standard. No sites may be booked for more than one week for one company during the more than t company during the main camping season so as to allow as many as possible to have the privilege of camping at Foxlease or Waddow.

Please state in the original application the date of the camp (giving alternative dates where possible) and approximate numbers.

Hindleap Warren, Forest East Grinstead. Details of these unequipped sites from Miss Swan, Ballards, Forest Row, Sussex. (See also page 114.)

The minimum age for prospective Guiders attending all residential trainings is seventeen and a half

#### To Mothers of Children Under Five

Do you find it difficult to get to a Training Centre because of an 'under five'? Did you know that you can both go to Foxlease together to the 'Mothers and Babies' week (5th to 12th July)? Training for you is as usual, and the 'under fives' are cared for by competent helpers during the day. The total number of children is limited, so apply soon.

### From the Overseas Commissioner

(Continued from page 111)

every day for weeks we were very pleased to have a lovely evening, and two African companies and a Sunbeam Circle danced and sang, including a special song, the words and music of which they had composed as part of the competition for the

Clarendon Cup.

Afterwards I saw some of their handwork, which was excellent, and it was great fun to talk to them and tell them about some of the Guides in other parts of the world. It is extraordinary how close we all are to one another, and I had an instance of this the very next day at the hotel at Bremersdorp, a small town beyond Mbabane. I happened to ask a girl who was arranging flowers in my room what country she came from as I could see she was not an African. She said 'St. Helena' and I asked her if by chance she had been a Guide and if she knew Mrs. Solomon, their Commissioner. She answered at once. 'Yes, she was my captain and I was patrol leader of the Violet Patrol.' Her name was Daphne Crowie and she had come to live with her family in Swaziland some years ago. I hope she may now be able to join in with HELEN GIBBS Guides nearby.

#### Alterations to the 1955 C.A. List

Eastern Area
Norfolk: Omitted: Holt District.—The Hon. Beryl Cozens-Hardy, Letheringsett Hall, Holt.

Midland Area

Warwickshire: Miss E. Tarplee is the County Camp Treasurer and not County Camp Adviser.

North-Eastern Area

Yorkshire W.R.N.W.: Skipton Recorder for Lower Wharfdale see Yorkshire Central, not Yorkshire W.R.N.E.

North-Western Area South Lancashire: Delete and substitute: Chairman, South Lancashire: Delete and Substitute: Chairman, County Camp Committee: Mrs. Bury, Fairways, Wilmslow Road, Hale Barns, Cheshire. County Test C.A. and County Camp Site Secretary: Miss E. Warrington, 48 Queen's Road, Hale, Cheshire. County Camp Site Equipment Officer: Miss V. Jackson, 175 Hale Road, Hale, Cheshire. Altrincham: Miss E. Warrington. Equipment Officer: Miss V. Jackson, 175 Hale Road, Hale, Cheshire. Altrincham: Miss E. Warrington. Eccles Recorder: Miss J. Wilkinson, 13 Orvietto Avenue, Fendleton, Salford, 6. Leigh: Mrs. Mitchell, Robin's Corner, 108 Wigshaw Lane, Culceth, Nr. Warrington. Recorder: Mrs. Evans, 17 Breaston Avenue, Leigh, Lancs. Sale: Miss E. Bainbridge, 23 Hillington Road, Sale, Cheshire. North Salford Recorder: Miss E. Owens, 8 Croft Street, Salford, 7. West Salford: Apply to Mrs. Edge, The Residence, Ladywell Hospital, Salford, 5. Stretford: Mrs. Reeves, 64 Humphrey Road, Old Trafford, Manchester, 16. Swinton Recorder: Miss D. Marsh, 505 Manchester Road, Wardley, Swinton, Manchester. Urmston Recorder: Mrs. Morgan, 8 Hampstead Avenue, Flixton, Manchester. Unattached: Miss A. Pearce, 1 The Coppice, Harrop Road, Hale; Miss A. Pearce, 1 The Coppice, Harrop Road, Hale; Miss M. Godley, 25 Cavendish Road, Eccles, Lancs.

South-West Lancashire

Crosby Recorder: Miss Ferries' address should read Liverpool 22 instead of 12.

South-Western Area

Dorset: Resignation as C.A. North Dorset: Mrs. Woodward. Appointment as North Dorset Recorder: Mrs. Dyke, Hillrising, Horsecastles Lane, Sherborne.



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Ex-Commissioner requires ex-Guider or Guider to cook breakfast, to help with housework. Daily help. sittingroom. County town. Good bus service. Bournemouth 9 miles. Personal reference. C. of E. £3.—Mrs. Page-Phillips, The Vicarage, W. Minster, Dorset. Wimborne

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Longfords School, Minchinhampton, Stroud, Glos.-This approved school, Intermediate, for girls 14-16, requires a Resident House Mistress. The duties comprise: organisation of girls' leisure time, viz., games, indoor and outdoor, hobbies, singing, dancing, etc. A knowledge of First Aid or Home Nursing useful. The school is well placed for those appreciating the country, yet near enough to Gloucester and Cheltenham by bus. London 2 hours by train. Salary according wage on Home Office Scale.—Further details from Head Mistress.

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Cardiff Branch Shop: Experienced Saleswoman, aged

Wood Green Branch Shop: Manageress.

Finance Department.—Ledger Clerk, aged 20-25 years.— Apply Financial Secretary, stating age, experience and salary required.

General Office.-Postal and Filing Clerk, knowledge of switchboard and/or duplicator useful but not essential. Apply Deputy General Secretary.

Public Relations Department.—Experienced Shorthand/ Typist, speeds 100/50, good knowledge of Movement, departmental work varied and interesting. Salary according to qualifications. Part-time Office Assistant, mornings only, varied interesting work.—Apply Public Relations Secretary.

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Balmer Lawn House, Brockenhurst, Hants, Tel. Brockenhurst 3108.—The New Forest is a delightful centre for holidays; walking, riding, golf, bird-watching, sightseeing or just relaxing.—Apply Miss Sandy, as above.

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Adeline Willis (formerly Warden of 'Our Ark') particularly welcomes Guiders and their families in her hotel at the above address. Ten minutes from Victoria, and ideally situated for easy sight-seeing and shopping. Rooms (some with private bath) and breakfast from 17s. 6d. to 25s. Dinner by arrangement. Special weekly terms.

Bungalow Guest House.-Open all year, run by ex-Two minutes harbour, sea, Swanage Ferry Guider. and buses. Terms moderate. Ideal surroundings and magnificent view from grounds.—Summerhill, Banks Road, Sandbanks, Bournemouth.

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Ex-Guider offers comfortable single beds and breakfast. Modern house. 12s. 6d.—Mrs. Dakin, Trevellen, Lamorna, Penzance, Cornwall.

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#### WANTED

Commissioner's Coat and Skirt wanted, bust 38 ins., hips 40 ins.—Please reply Box No. 741.

Stitched Brownie Hats, good condition.-Write first to Mrs. G. Haynes, 2 Shaftesbury Avenue, New Barnet, Herts, or Tel. BARnet 1960.

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Commissioner's Uniform, 36-in. bust, 40-in. hips. Navy skirt, hips 40 ins., waist 28 ins. Beret 6\frac{1}{8}. Available separately.—Gray, Tandridge Hill Farm, Godstone,

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Guider's Battle Blouse, 36 ins. Falt boxed.

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Guider's Uniform.—New, unworn, 32-in. bust; 26-in.

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Also, two Guiders', tunics, and a camp overall—Box

Also two Guiders' tunics and a camp overall.—Box

Two-berth Caravan, can be pulled by 8 h.p. car. New tyres. Seen in Gloucestershire. £80.—Box No. 744.

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Holiday.—Adelboden, 26 June 10th July, £17.— Write Taylor, 4 Meadow Road, Ashtead, Surrey,

enclosing s.a.e.

Lake District, Ambleside, Westmorland. Indoor camping facilities available in Church Hall from April to September —Apply through C.A., Miss P. M. Partridge, Brantholm, Millans Park, Ambleside, Westmorland. Brantholm, Millans Park, Gloucestershire, requires Pack Holiday at Amberley, Gloucestershire, requires V.A.D. or nurse. Whit-week, 28th May to 4th June. Expenses paid.—Write Miss Ivelaw-Chapman, 143 Old Bath Road, Cheltenham.

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