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# Notes of the Month

H, yes, I'd like to go to Okinawa. But where is it?' I remembered this remark by Miss Mildred Mode when invited by the United States Girl Scout Headquarters to start troops for native girls in Okinawa, a United States Air Base, because it is typical of her readiness to serve the movement wherever she is needed. That she founded those troops on the right lines can be judged by this kind of story. Just after she had started a troop in an orphanage in Yonaburu, Miss Mode wondered how on earth the girls would get the money for their uniform. The recruits took matters into their own hands! They volunteered to fill up potholes in the road near the orphanage and earned the money. Later on,

looking round for a good turn, they sent from their own few possessions a gift of books and games to Girl Scouts in a leper

colony.

A few weeks ago Miss Mode started her new work for the World Association as Commistravelling sioner in the Pacific. With her base in the will Philippines she for trainings Guiders and Commissioners in Australia, New Zealand, Japan, Korea, North Borneo, Brunei and Sarawak. American by birth, much of her previous work as a Camp Counsellor in the United States, as a member of the International Department at Girl Scout Headquarters where she worked on the Juliette Low World Projects, Friendship

and as a trainer in Australia and New Zealand has given Miss Mode valuable experience for this new enterprise. All readers of The Guider wish her 'God speed' and look forward to hearing of her work during the next two years.

In an early 1956 issue we are also publishing articles from Miss Brindley and Miss Burnell who have recently visited refugee camps in Germany for the World Association. As you read this, Miss Beveridge, Adviser for Camping, C.H.Q., will just be beginning a two months' visit to the West Indies. She has been offered one of the King George VI Memorial Foundation Bursaries which enables selected leaders of the movement to travel to countries in the Commonwealth to gain first-

hand experience of youth work and other conditions there and to strengthen the links between us. Her tour includes visits to Antigua, Barbados, British Honduras, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Trinidad and Jamaica, and she has promised to send us short extracts from her diary.

Starting with February issue, THE GUIDER will be published on the 7th of the month. This decision has been taken to avoid the inconvenience of readers receiving their copies on different dates each month. Our printers handle several other monthly publications, with a publishing date on the 1st of the month, and the alteration of the date will help to relieve pressure of work and expedite our deliveries. THE EDITOR



Miss Mildred Mode

# Our Financial and Trading Position The GUIDER, January, 1956

Extracts from a talk given by E. F. O. Gascoigne, Esq., Hon. Treasurer of the Girl Guides Association, at the County Commissioners' Conference at C.H.Q. on 7th-8th December, 1955

THANKS to the work of those engaged in our shops, and to the custom that we get from our members, we make a good profit—but this profit could be much greater with further turnover. . . . Our other main source of income

is, of course, the Finance Scheme. . . Ever since I have been Honorary Treasurer of this Association I have been suspicious that this Finance Scheme is not thoroughly understood throughout the Movement, nor is the necessity for it. Most of our members pay up willingly, but there seems to be a feeling that it was started as a temporary measure. Let me assure you all straight away that the matter is reviewed every year and I can also assure you that so long as it is our intention to keep the activities of the Movement aggressively alive I can see no hope of its being discontinued in the forseeable future.

It is also argued from time to time that we managed without it before the war, and it is in connection with that argument that I want now to give you some figures about our affairs at that time. But before I do so let me give you some information about our policy at the present time. We like to regard our Movement as being selfsupporting. For this reason we have, for the last two years, carried all legacies and donations direct to Capital Account, rather than use them as Income. This I personally feel sure is sound. Secondly, we regard our expenditure on Training as an integral part of our annual affairs, therefore we charge it to Income and Expenditure Account as opposed to Capital Account. In the pre-war years, neither of these things were done; in fact, legacies and donations were treated as Income and grants to Training Establishments were made from Capital Funds. If those two adjustments are written back into the accounts, the Association worked at a deficit as follows: 1933-£1,160; 1934—£4,489; 1935—£4,734; 1936— £6.506; 1937—£4,948; 1938—£5,190; 1939\_

During this period, thanks to Legacies and Donations, the Accumulated Fund fell only by £2,040 notwithstanding the fact that our own actual income had been overspent by some £35,000. Where should we have been if we had not received those legacies and donations? These figures, I contend, answer the suggestion that before the war we were self-supporting without any Finance Scheme. We quite clearly were not.

And if we now extend this pre-war period to 1948 when the Finance Scheme came into effect, we find that though we had absorbed no less than £103,000\* from the Development Funds and

disregarding, of course, properties taken on charge and one legacy of £6,195 which was taken

To sum up, during this period we overspent our direct to Capital. income by very large amounts, or if you prefer it, we lived on Funds which we consider should be regarded as Capital. Fortunately the replacement of this Capital was forthcoming, but I think that I have proved to you that the Movement needed some more reliable income during these years, such as is now provided by the

Finance Scheme.

(\*The £103,000 from 'Capital' funds that had been absorbed up to 1948 to balance the excess of our expenditure over income, in round figures, consisted of £53,000 in legacies and donations received over this period and £50,000 from the old Development Fund and the money raised for it by the appeal to the Movement in 1947-48. Of these amounts the legacies and donations had been treated as 'income' over this period, the Development Fund had been treated as Capital and invested, but these investments had been sold

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#### The Commissioners' Meeting Place

# Building a 'Home' for Guiding

I T is not only on new housing estates and in new neighbourhoods that the need for a Guide Headquarters becomes urgent. There has always been a strong desire in every town or village for some place set apart for Guiding where the companies and packs can meet and have their



Guide fathers and brothers helped with plans and the work

possessions, where Patrol Leaders can meet Captain and Patrols can make their plans, a place which is available at any time for gatherings of Guiders or Local Association members to hold money-raising events and a home which can be the centre of Guide activity in the District.

There must be many Commissioners who, realizing the need for a District Headquarters, have nevertheless put out of their minds any possibility of building one. It is for them that this article has been written and illustrated to show that the dream can come true, and has done so in quite a small District at comparatively little

Before the war the Ranger Company at Southwick, Sussex, began to dream of having a place of their own in which to hold their meetings and although at that time there was no immediate prospect of any site on which to build they decided to start a Building Fund. The project had to remain only a dream until after the war, but by the end of 1945 the Rangers had collected £140 by various money-raising efforts.

The idea came nearer to becoming a reality when a possible site was offered and by this time, with the Rangers disbanded in the District, the Guiders and Guides, led by the District Commissioner, became the prime movers. This was in

1954 when a committee of Guiders and fathers of Guides set to work to make plans.

It was decided to buy a Nissen Hut at a cost of £95 15s. (inclusive of transport) and the work of digging foundations and preparing the ground began. Under the direction of the men of the committee the Guides themselves dug the foundations, pulling down an old cottage on the site and cleaning the bricks for use in building the hut. This was heavy and arduous work but the Guide Company worked with a will to make their own 'home'. As the hut took shape the Guides were able to help by painting the woodwork inside and out but work requiring expert skill was done in their spare time by friends, fathers and brothers.

When the Hut was officially opened by the County Commissioner last August it was equipped with electric strip lighting, lockers for companies and packs were provided, a small kitchen and cloakroom were included in the plan and an outside lavatory with an 'Elsan' was added.

Apart from the actual cost of the hut mentioned above the following sums have been spent:

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Curtains				5	9	0
Chairs	1200	1 (0.0)		22	10	0
Tables			Hallo.	10	16	0
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'Elsan'				4	16	5

The money-raising efforts during the last two years have brought in £250 through such various means as jumble sales, a dance, garden fêtes, and the collection of jam jars and bottle tops. Generous friends have given donations, totalling £168, and have in addition provided the gate and



The completed Nissen hut which cost £95 15s. to buy

door, stain for the floors, doorlocks and latches, nails and screws. It was the friends, too, who made the curtains. The land has been lent, free of charge, and is in a central position, making possible its regular use by two companies and packs.

The District now rejoices in a home of its own, thanks to the generous help of friends, coupled with some hard work on the part of both the fathers and brothers and the Guides themselves.

[Local Units may apply to Commonwealth Headquarters for a grant from the King George V Jubilee Trust Development Grant towards the cost of their Headquarters building, or towards any heavy expenditure that may arise for repairs.

Particulars of this grant may be found in a pamphlet entitled 'Schedule of Grants Available', obtainable on application to the Financial Secretary, Commonwealth Headquarters. This pamphlet has been widely distributed, and your Local Commissioner may have a copy

Funds available are limited but, generally speaking, you would have a chance of obtaining help if your Headquarters is going to serve a reasonable number of members, and if you have already raised a substantial proportion of the money required by your own efforts. New Housing Estates and Development Areas are given priority, but all applications are given careful consideration.

# The All-Wales Ranger-Rover Conference

THE All-Wales Ranger-Rover Conference was held in North Wales this year for the first time at the Prestatyn Holiday Camp, where the Rangers and Rovers had the fun of joining in some of the camp activities between the sessions. They were accommodated in 'chalets' and one end of the huge dining hall was reserved for them, while the Conference sessions were held in one of the big halls.

The Lord Lieutenant of Flintshire opened the Conference and said that there were many ways of reaching one's destination, and as long as the end was kept in view the road chosen was not of great importance. He ended by giving the Rangers and Rovers a challenge. 'To serve their God, their Queen and their Country until the day

they die ' along their roads.

The other speakers were Mr. Charles Wood, Relationships Secretary, Scout Headquarters, who thought that our respective movements might travel more closely on a dual carriageway, and called for more co-operation between Rovers and Rangers, and Miss I. H. Kay who, reminding them all that the trail had been blazed by the Founder, urged them to become road-makers, and so to enable all those who follow to share in the joy of the fellowship of Guiding and Scouting.

A Ranger-Rover's Own (to which an invitation to all the campers was sent) was held in the big ballroom on Sunday morning and the address was given by the Toc H Padre for North Wales.

Subjects of interest in the movements were discussed in groups, and as one walked round the camp one came upon these everywhere—on the beach, in the Conference Hall, on the grass near the chalets, wherever there was room for fifteen to twenty Rangers and Rovers to gather together —all intently discussing their problem. The findings were given at the end of the Conference, summed up by Mrs. Michael, Ranger Adviser for Wales, who reminded them of the need for a

definite objective at the end of the road.

The Conference was of great interest from the Commissioner's point of view. There were many counter attractions, but although the Rangers and Rovers took advantage of these in their spare time, they had obviously come with the idea of getting as much as they could from the Conference. They were invited to attend the Saturday night ball, but the Rovers started up a singsong and most of the Rangers took part in that before joining the dance.

There was an undoubted advantage in spending the short time available for the Conference in a camp of this sort, as it gave many more opportunities of meeting together than a non-residential one would have done. It was felt that the experiment had been well worth while, and members of the public had been able to see something of

the senior branches of the Movements.

#### Dates for Your Diary

22nd February: In the 'Lift up Your Hearts' talks broadcast at 7.50 a.m. each day by the B.B.C. it is hoped the speaker will include a reference to Thinking Day on 22nd February.

1st-25th February: The Thinking Day exhibition in the Council Chamber at C.H.Q. Admission free of charge and at certain times of the day there will be films in the waiting room. Open: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 11 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.; Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11 a.m. to 7.30 p.m.; Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

9th-14th July: London Scouts and Guides will present 'The Voyage of the Venturer', produced by Ralph Reader, at the Albert Hall. More details in the February Guider.

October 20th-21st: The English Ranger Rally. Details will be sent to C.R.A.s early in the New Year and full details will be published in February.

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# Maps and Surveys

And looking back to whence I came, or on to where the pathway leads—TENNYSON

MAP is like a gateway through which one can look back on past scenes or forward to future journeys.

Men have made maps from time immemorial. Mapping is the oldest of the graphic arts and is common to all primitive races. The Aborigines of Australia used stones and sand in map-making and the Marshall Islanders palm leaves and sea shells. The Eskimos have always charted their coasts and a native of Tahiti drew a map nearly 3,000 miles in length for Captain Cook.

The ancient Greeks, Chinese and Incas all used maps, and it was probably the Babylonians who first divided the arch of the sky into 360 degrees, and the Egyptians who made the earliest land surveys because the Nile when it flooded had an awkward habit of removing boundaries and land-

A great deal of history is preserved in old maps, many of which were pictorial. Claudius Ptolemy in the second century A.D. drew a very attractive map of America with a picture of Noah's Ark

resting on Mount Ararat.

All this may not interest the Guides, but the Guider's attitude towards mapping (or any subject) is all important, and a Guider wanting to enthuse herself might well read Maps and Map Makers, by R. V. Tooley, or The Story of Maps, by Lloyd A. Brown. Both books will be found in public libraries.

Map Reading

This needs a great deal of practice and should not be left until a Guide is thinking of First Class. A good introduction to map reading can come when learning the local bus routes or it will add interest if these can be traced on a map.

An Ordnance Survey map (one inch to the mile) is probably the clearest and most useful to start with. If the actual map-reading holds any mysteries for the Guider these can be solved by the most attractive Puffin picture book, About Maps, price 2s. 6d. The Guides will enjoy this, too, and it will make a good addition to a Company library. The language of maps is made quite clear by the translation of pictures into plans, maps and conventional signs. Setting a map, scale, contours, and national grid and other essentials are explained simply but in sufficient detail for any Guide test.

There are some good suggestions for mapping activities in Scouting for Boys. As Guides become familiar with a map and practise finding routes and giving directions from point to point, they will begin to see that a map can tell them much more than where to go. They can find the paths through the prettiest or most interesting country and can choose possible places for hikes

and explore these later. Patrol Leaders enjoy looking for a camp site with all the necessary attributes. These vary, but might include a lake or river for bathing, a wood, and transport facili-ties. The final excitement is, of course, to go and see if the chosen place comes up to expectation. This really has been known to work, and more than one successful site has been foundwith great saving of labour for Captain, not to mention the C.A.!

Drawing Maps

As soon as the Guides have grasped the essentials of scale and compass direction and know a few conventional signs they can begin to draw maps. They might start with a short route which is familiar or which they can go out and cover in a few minutes. Their efforts can be compared with a real map or with one made by Captain. A street reference map is useful in the town.

Another practice is for Captain to describe a walk and for each Patrol to map it with chalk on the floor or on large sheets of brown paper. If Captain is wise she will draw beforehand to fit her description and make sure that her starting-

point is absolutely clear.

Surveys

These are often not attempted because they sound technical and complicated, but very simple surveys can be made and are great fun. The result of a survey can be shown on a map with the addition of photographs or drawings.

Quite a small area can be chosen at first and a survey made of trees only, or of wild flowers and birds. Each Patrol can choose something different and combine the results later. Surveys can be linked with various interests. might make a survey of different types of architecture, of methods of farming or water supplies.

Apart from what is learnt from making surveys they increase powers of observation and awareness of beauty and, above all, they must be out of doors. A.M.B.

#### STOP PRESS

As THE GUIDER went to press came the news that H.M. The Queen, Patron of the Girl Guides Association, has graciously given her consent for a World Camp to be held in Windsor Great Park from 26th July to 8th August, 1957. This camp for 4,000 Guides from all parts of the world is being planned to celebrate the centenary of the birth of the Founder, Robert Baden-Powell. Three other 'Centenary Camps' in 1957 will be held in Switzerland, The Philippines, and in one of the Western Hemisphere countries. details of plans for the Centenary Year will be published in THE GUIDER shortly.

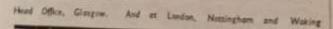


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#### Les Courmettes

By Mary C. Morris

Have you said to yourself for years I must go to Les Courmettes one day—and continued to put it off indefinitely? I did until this summer—tor no very definite reason, except that I felt the journey might be difficult and expensive. It is rather more difficult and expensive than some of the things we do with our Guides and Rangers. but it is correspondingly more worth doing.

It does demand effort to get your party to the coast, across the channel and on to Paris, and then down to the Côte d'Azur, on exactly the days, boats and trains which fit together and on the least amount of money possible, but if you make the initial effort to think it out, the British and French Railway Companies really do all the work. It will challenge your skill to equip and provision yourselves for a journey of twenty-eight hours,

which includes sitting up all night in a thirdclass railway carriage, but it can be contrived comfortably with enough ingenuity and forethought.

#### Twenty - six Hair - pin Bends!

There is time for breakfast in Cannes before the local bus sweeps you, at breakneck pace, up and round the hills towards Grasse, and before every ounce of 'sticka-bility' is tested as you toil on foot (the luggage can be collected by a jeep later), up the 3,000 feet to Les Courmettes by the road with some twenty-six hair-pin bends. There are moments in that first climb when you feel you would like to sit down and die, but neither pride nor curiosity will let you, and there is ample excuse to stop at every turn, to admire the view

over the foothills to the blue Mediterranean beyond.

In any case, you do eventually reach the plateau, and find yourself almost running the last level part of the journey from sheer relief after the struggle, then suddenly—there is the House, a Guide welcome, deck chairs and coffee in the sun. You'll never know how wonderful that is unless you are willing to pay the price in effort to get there.

Of course it costs money too, though once you arrive you can live more cheaply than at home, and if you were to begin now to deny yourself the fleeting pleasures by which money dribbles away through the year, you could easily save enough to get to Les Courmettes this summer. The things we have won for ourselves by struggle

and sacrifice are so much more precious than those handed out free. There's a challenge in getting to Les Courmettes — and it consists of the very stuff of Guiding—but at your destination you will find treasure which lasts and satisfies.

#### Physical Well-being

In a day or two, after you have lived out of doors in warm Mediterranean sunshine and keen mountain air, and slept long nights in the peace of the mountains, you will begin to feel a sense of physical well-being possibly never met before. English Guides were dubious at first of salad dressed in oil, but soon they asked for as many as three helpings of it, whilst their appetite for crusty French bread had to be seen to be believed; we are still nostalgic for those leisurely gay meals in

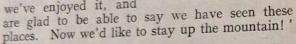


The road twists and turns up the 3,000 feet—with views at every bend

the cool dining room, with bowls of soup or coffee, and simple wholesome tood served on local pottery dishes at dark polished tables.

There are enough rough tracks up and around

the mountains to occupy the first few days in real exploration of the unknown. There are longer walks, with a repas froid, down to the spectacular Gorge du Loup, or short strolls up to the top of the Pic, or along to the twisted oaks. Few English people have seen anything like the mediaeval fortified villages and towns nearby. Joyriding in a French taxi along the coast through Nice, Monte Carlo, Monaco and Mentone isn't expensive. The Guides said: we've enjoyed it, and





There are gay, leisurely meals in the dining room

large amount of time we spent-just laughing! Laughter is one of the international languages and the spirit of Guiding is another, so it doesn't matter if you

and a realization that they have within reach a new field of enjoyment.

#### The Timelessness of Mountains

Perhaps neither we nor they realize that within our 'teenagers' of today there is a love of the simple joys of life, which their world affords them little chance to sample or savour. Those Guides hated to leave that mountain, for they sensed its timelessness, freedom and wonder.

There are more things to do at Les Courmettes than you have time for in a first visit, especially as after a few days the 'busyness of doing' becomes less necessary. Sharing in the simple

#### True Recreation

Above all you, and your older Guides and Rangers, will find peace at Les Courmettes; not a negative dull peace, rather something active and alive, which belongs to the mountains. Perched on that plateau, you are lifted out of the world's turmoil for a time; it isn't hidden from you for you can see it down there below, but in its true perspective. And when you do go down into it again you will not need another holiday—as Guiders sometimes do after camp-for you will have found true recreation.

day-by-day living of a Guide community is satisfying in itself, and what an unusually

cannot speak French.

But most Guides do

learn French at school,

and after a few days

of tongue-tied reluc-tance to appear foolish

they are willing to plunge in and to be-

gin to enjoy flounder-

ing about in a new language—as they do

in the swimming bath.

At the end of a holiday

at Les Courmettes they

emerge with 'French' meaning something

quite new to them,

# The Good Idea!

'LISTEN,' said the Guider. 'I've got an idea.' And her Guides declared it to be smashing, and promptly adopted it as their own. Then They heard about the Idea, and said that the Others should be told about it, too, but only, of course, through the Right Channels. So the Right Channel was found, and the Idea took shape, and at last, from Channel to Channel, it reached the Source (or was it the Mouth?) of all Channels.

And there They said: 'This is indeed a Good Idea for Here; now we must consider There and Everywhere and the Other Places."

So again the Idea was directed through the Right Channels to There and Everywhere and the Other Places and, when it returned, some of its Corners had been Rubbed Off, and some of the Edges had wilted in the Hot Places, but nevertheless Someone proposed that it was a Very Good Idea, and someone Else seconded it, and All agreed that it was indeed a New and Good Idea. And then They said: 'Everyone must know about this Idea,' and they put it in Appendix xxx, and in Page 999 (Para Z (p)) and they told the Guider, who said: 'What, that old thing! The Guides are sick of that. Listen, I've got an Idea. . . . '

# 'And Who is My Neighbour?'

THE world is getting so much smaller that we must widen our horizons,' someone said to me the other day. And indeed the broader interest is being forced upon us by closer contacts with our neighbours all over the world. News of the Near East, the Far East, the remotest corners of the earth, is as familiar in the press as are the daily happenings in our own country. Foreign Ministers drop in on one another; friends from Borneo call on us en route for New York, and we accordingly widen our horizons and take it all for granted.

We must see to it that our consciousness of responsibility marches with our horizons lest we also take for granted some of the uncomfortable facts revealed through getting to know more about how the rest of the world lives, or lest our increasing awareness is only of political situations and not of people. Is it generally realized, for example, that, of every three members of the human family, one is living below starvation level, one goes to bed hungry every night and only one has enough to eat?

The work of the United Nations and its specialized agencies is bringing facts like this to light and an enormous amount of constructive work is being done. Many of us would like to know more about it all, but either we do not know where to find the appropriate information or so much pours in on us that we are overwhelmed. With a view to helping both groups it

is proposed to publish in THE GUIDER during the next few months short articles on the work of the United Nations and its agencies, with suggestions on where further

information may be obtained.

Surely not another clause for the Warrant Test or another item for the Guide programme! No. For the Ranger programme perhaps but also because such knowledge is an important part of our equipment as thinking women, as world citizens, and as leaders in a worldwide movement.

It has been said that the challenge to educators of the new generation is that the child should realize from infancy that everything he is being taught is with the view to the good of others more than of himself, and that the life which flows in his veins is only one small part of the whole life which he shares with his brothers and sisters in every part of the world. Children brought up with these fundamental ideas will naturally develop a spirit of service. Familiar ideas they are perhaps, and no more than a restatement of the two great commandments, but worthy of consideration for just that reason, and in the light of our widening horizons.

MARGARET L. MARTIN
[Chairman, Public Relations Committee]

(Information about the United Nations in the Pre-Enrolment Test and the Ranger Service Star Part II can be found on page 23.—ED.)

# The B-P Scout Guild's Pageant

THE Rally on 15th October opened with a procession of B-P Guild members traversing the whole length of the Albert Hall carrying the Flags of the nations which belong to the Scout Movement—led by the Union Jack and the Flag of St. George. Following the Flags came County Banners of the B-P Guild, prominent among that of Co. Down, Northern Ireland, the finishing touches having been completed only two days before!

Lord Baden-Powell welcomed all those present, including the Chief Scout, to the first Guild Rally and Pageant, and then introduced the Speaker, not only as Lord Chancellor but also as a King's Scout. Lord Kilmuir said he might be the first Lord Chancellor who was a King's Scout, but he was sure he would not be the last. Lord Kilmuir went on to refer to his time as

Home Secretary when juvenile delinquency was rising and much thought was given to the ways of combating this tendency, but in spite of improvement in the conditions of the Police, and in the treatment of offenders, he felt that at rock bottom the deterioration was due to a lowering of moral standards and because Scouting was doing so much to combat evil-doing a great debt of gratitude was due to the Movement.

As a lawyer he had learned that the Law had a valuable contribution to make to international understanding: the brotherhood of the Law was a bridge between nations for they had the double loyalty—to client and to profession—and this was a common background. Similarly the Scout Movement, with its common background of the Law and Promise, gave a great field for co-operation in the world today.—W.E.L.

Quiz

# Are You Guiding?

CHE was twelve years old, of low average Guide A Secondary Modern School. Her looks were not very prepossessing either, sallow complexion, lank hair and expression which was anxious and sullen in turns. There was really 'nothing much about her' and she was not likely to be an asset to the company as the trail of smaller fry at home and a mother out at work made her attendance

She was one of those who probably would get very irregular. stuck halfway through Second Class and stay there and pull down the Patrol in competitions. She came to Guides hoping to get adventure and attention which was lacking at home although she would have been quite unable to give this as a reason had you asked her. Did she come to your company and did you go all out to bother about her or were you secretly rather glad when she faded out at thirteen and a half? Be honest now!

#### Guide B

An average, noisy eleven-year-old, untidy, cheeky, selfish-the new recruit who spoiled the good name of the Bluetit Patrol and gave a saucy

answer when reproved. Did you follow her up when she was missing for a couple of Fridays or did you breathe a sigh of relief and secretly hope you had seen the end of her? You did not realise she was the child of a divided home, longing for someone's personal interest, but how could you if you did not go to see?

#### Guide C

Fifteen years old: charming, clever and able. Did you push her on to be a Queen's Guide and bring glory to the company when you might perhaps have been giving more of your attention to A and B where it was most needed? Face up to it now. Uncomfortable questions, maybe.

Any reasonably good Captain can train an intelligent fifteen-year-old to pass a test for she will learn in spite of the Guider, but it takes a real first-rate person to keep A and give her the adventure for which she is longing. Guiding with a capital G-or to train B and help to give her the security and self discipline without which she may be heading for disaster.

Where do your values lie and are you putting

first things first?

CONSTANCE M. GREEN

### From the Chief Commissioner

THE highlight of this December has been for many of us the County Commissioners' Conference. These only come round every two years and County Commissioners from all over the United Kingdom make a great effort to be there and we at C.H.Q. look forward tremendously to this opportunity of hearing news and views from all over the country and telling of our latest doings

This conference was a particularly happy one, I thought, partly because we are all looking forward to Centenary Year, and planning to make it a really lovely and memorable one for the children was an agreeable occupation.

I also felt that the Hon. Treasurer's report which you can read on page 4 had a great part in making us all feel so confident about the future, and understand thoroughly and clearly what has happened in the past.

The Annual General Meeting season is in full swing again! I went to a delightful one in Perthshire when I saw many old friends and noticed that here is a County which has made great strides during the last few years.

As I write this letter I am sitting in a train on my way to the South of England and the man opposite has just leant forward and said: 'I see by the heading on your paper (I am writing on an old bit of headed writing paper) you are a Guide—I was a Scout thirty years ago.' How warming it is when people do this—it gives one such a feeling of wide comradeship.

Do you sometimes hear a story which takes your fancy? This is one I enjoyed. At the end of a large meeting a lady who had left her Volkswagen in the car park could not make it start. Eventually, having pressed every button she could see, she got out and opened the bonnet. She rushed to a friend who was waiting for her in another Volkswagen and said: 'It's too awful, my engine must have been stolen. I opened the bonnet of my car and it is gone!

Oh, that's all right,' said the friend. ' I looked in the back of my car the other day and I seem to have a spare one—we'll put it in yours.'

They did-so neither of them started! A very happy New Year to you all.

JEAN STRATHEDEN

## Within the Commonwealth

# Nigeria

ARGEST of the four British West African Colonies, Nigeria is nearly four times the size of the United Kingdom. The peoples are darkly coloured, but are not all racially alike. There are many languages among the 31,000,000 people: four main linguistic groups of more than two millions each; four secondary groups; two smaller groups and countless minor tribes, each with its own distinctive language and customs.

The capital is Lagos in the south. Here it is hot and wet. There are schools and colleges in Lagos, and the Girl Guides have their own Headquarters which were opened in 1949. Most Nigerians live in villages, growing their crops and buying and selling in the markets. Often their houses are built on stilts because there is so little

dry land.

Salt is very scarce in Nigeria. The chief products are oil palms from which soap and candles are made; ground nuts from which margarine is made; yams—a kind of huge potato from which flour is made (this is a most important food for Nigerians); Cassova, from which is made the tapioca that we eat.

#### When Guiding Began

In 1919 the first Guide Company was formed at the Methodist Girls' School in Lagos. Brownies were first started in Calabar in 1927, and the first Company in a leper colony was formed in 1929. There are now Guides in four leper settlements. The Brownie uniform is the same as in Great Britain, except for a pointed cap, made of the same material as the overall. Guides usually wear white drill overalls with short sleeves and a navy blue beret. They have the same enrolment badge as the British Guides.

#### A naming ceremony

The 'Naming Ceremony' takes place eight days after the birth of the baby. A ram is slaughtered and the priest comes to name the The name is chosen by the father's According to the means of the family there may be a feast; in any case there is dancing and singing and jubilation. This is a Muslim custom and is practised in western and northern Nigeria.

#### Common Names among boys and girls

Remilekun = My sorrow is assuaged. Akanke = One I am to pet.

Avu = Iov.

Omolara = A child is a nearest relative. Loeianke = God gives me to pet.



[Copyright: Central Office of Information] A Fulani girl brings in fresh milk for sale which now replaces imported tinned milk

Boys: Olusegun = Victor.

Olujemi = God loves me.

Ireti = Hope.

General: Taiwo = The first born of twins.

Kehinde = The second born of twins.

#### A popular song

There is no tune to this song as it is sung on the one note. It depends on rhythm. While singing all ciap hands and tap foot to keep rhythm. The rhythm goes thus:

Long short pause short short short Long short pause short short short Long short short long long Short short long short, short short long short Short short short short Long short short short long.

BOJO BOJO O (as written) OLORO MBO O (oloro oomba o) E para mo o. (e para mo-o) NGO SI O NGO SI O (No-shee-o) ENI MBA MU (Enee umba mu) DI OMO ODO MI. (Dee omo odo mee)

This song would be sung when playing 'KOLOYOKOYO' game. See THE GUIDE for 13th January.

#### Camp Fire Trains

This is the Nigerian version, made up by Yoruba Guiders from Oshagbo, Western Region. It is just like the English version of 'Coffee,

The GUIDER, January, 1956 It should go with a swing, be sung with gusto—or shouted. Cheese and Biscuits', etc., etc., O-KA (4 times slow and heavy) (O as in HOT) IYAN AT' EFO (4 times) (I as in HIT, rest

ILA (4 times getting faster) as written)

DODO AT OSAN (4 times, faster and fussier FUFU AT

as train gathers speed) OMI! (O as oa in coat. O-meeeee!) sound like the whistle.

Meaning: Fresh Corn Pounded yam and vegetable Cassava and okra soup Fried plantain and orange Water!

#### Well Known Proverbs

Ife Lakoja Ofin = Love is the fulfilment of the

Igi Ganganran Magunmi Loju Okere Lati Lo=

Prevention is better than cure. Riro Niti Enia Sise Niti Olorun = Man proposes

but God disposes. Oruko Rere Sanju Wura Lo=A good name is better than gold.

#### Forms of Greeting

Each one in the home greets everyone else first thing in the morning. If you are a girl greeting an elder you go down on both knees, or if you are a boy you prostrate yourself flat on the floor. The greeting is: Ekaro = Good morning.

If you go out to see someone in the afternoon

The farewell or 'Goodbye' is Odigboshe. you say: Ekasan.

# The Guide Club

THE RESULT of the 'Bring and Buy ' sale on 17th

It was a really successful day in every way. November was £309 net. two drawing rooms proved to be a meeting place for many friends who, having made their purchases, enjoyed the refreshments which were served.

The Committee and Secretary would again like to express their sincere thanks for the wonderful result. It is hoped all members will visit the Club frequently

On 22nd November, 1955, Miss Chater gave a delightful illustrated talk on 'Gilbert and Sullivan'.

# A 'Life of the Chief Guide'

All readers will be delighted to hear a film strip on the life of the Chief Guide has just been produced by the Girl Guides Association. It includes 43 shots, beginning with her childhood and the early days of Guiding and then passing on to her travels with the Founder, their home in Kenya and then ending with her recent tours overseas. The Notes have been written by Mrs. E. K. Wade and the film is obtainable at 7s. 6d., plus postage, from C.H.Q.

# Why not A Holiday on the Continent

We can arrange it for you at unusually low cost and we cater specially for Guide and Ranger Parties. Examples of our holidays:

10 days in Belgium from £12 17s. 6d. (students and girls under 18). £15—non-students over 18.

10 days in Switzerland from £16 10s. (under 18). £20 10s.—non-students over 18. 10 days in Germany from £16 5s. (under 18). £19—non-students over 18.

Prices include accommodation, meals and travel

Also if you wish to take a small party we can link you up with other small parties for cheap travelling rates, while you are completely free to pursue your own travelling arrangements. If, on the other hand, you want us to make complete arrangements for you, we ensure that you stay at a comfortable pension or hotel and are well looked after—we keep in close personal touch with all hotels and pensions we recommend.

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All enquiries will receive personal attention

# What the Thinking Day Pennies Achieve

HAT happens to our Pennies? Guides and Brownies are likely to ask as 22nd February comes round again. Here are some stories from the World Association which will tell them of the far-reaching effect of their pennies.

When the news of the disastrous earthquake at Volos in Greece, in April, 1955, reached the World Bureau, an offer of financial assistance was immediately cabled. This was gratefully accepted and money was sent from the Thinking Day Fund to be used for the purchase of blankets, sleepingbags, etc., through the Fund opened at Greek Girl Guide Headquarters. With the addition of a gift from the Guides of another country, Greece will be able to build a new Guide Headquarters in Volos and carry on their activities with redoubled strength, happy in the knowledge that their sister Guides befriended them in the hour of their need.

Money has been also sent to the Guides in Pakistan who suffered in the terrible floods that ravaged vast areas of that country, and we are waiting to hear from India, whether they, too, would be glad

to receive help.

Pennies for Pre-Tenderfoot Countries: There are many countries where Guiding is in its beginnings and where the World Association is helping the Guide Movement with money, with Trainers, and with translated literature to grow on the best lines so that they may come into the World Guide family as a member of the World Association as

soon as possible.

Think of Korea: a small band of Korean Girl Scouts escaped from the War Zone suffering tremendous hardships, but they kept together and gradually managed to reform their Association. They were helped both by the Girl Scouts of the United States and by our Thinking Day Fund. In addition, the Fund was able to send a World Association visitor to Korea in 1954, to find out just what those gallant Korean Girl Scouts needed most, and the answer was 'a Trainer'. So again, financed by the Thinking Day Pennies, an Australian Trainer, Miss Gwen Hesketh, was sent there by the World Association in June, 1955, for six months. As a result of this, Korean Girl Scouting is really getting on its feet again with Leaders trained and a handbook printed in the Korean language. So when you read, perhaps quite soon, that Korea has become a Member of the World Family you will know that it was the Thinking Day Pennies that greatly helped that country to fulfil its ambition.

For some years Spain has longed to be a Member country of the World Association. This year an 'all out' effort was made, and because of Thinking Day Pennies again, the Director of the World Bureau was able to go there and meet Guide

Leaders of groups from all parts of the country,

Guiding among the Refugees: There are still 350,000 Displaced Persons in Europe alone, 75,000 of whom (including 15,000 children under fourteen) live in camps in Germany, Austria, Italy and Greece. Conditions are very slowly improving, but there are many living in dreary camps with only one or two rooms to house a whole family. There are schools in the camps for the children, but no other occupation for them, and unless they have Guides or Brownies to go to they have little or no fun in their lives. There is the most urgent need for Guiders to start Companies and Packs, and so in 1955 the Thinking Day Fund paid for three World Association Trainers, Miss Brindley, Miss Burnell and Miss Olsson, to visit the different camps in Germany.

These Trainers were able to interest and train

more grown-ups so that they could become Guiders and bring the fun of Guiding into the

lives of more of those refugee children.

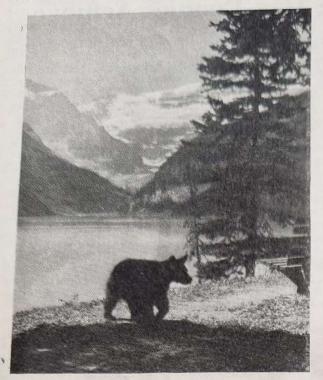
Again, in the Near East the problem is more acute even than in Europe. Thousands are living in overcrowded tents with not nearly enough schools or hospitals. Because of the Thinking Day Pennies it was possible for an Arabic-speaking Trainer to visit and give trainings, during her own holidays, in some of the Camps. At present there are no Guide books in their own language, but an Arab Refugee Guider is now working on a translation of Be Prepared, and when it is ready this will be published in Arabic largely through the Thinking Day Fund.

World Association Travelling Commissioners: For the past four years in the Western Hemisphere Miss Gladys Gomien has been doing a wonderful job among the children in the Latin-American countries; and now the growth of the Thinking Day Fund, has made it possible for the World Association to send a second 'roving' Commissioner, Miss Mildred Mode, off to countries in the Pacific area where the needs of the children

are so great.

It is to countries needing help, advice and encouragement that they go; it is to meet their Leaders, discuss their problems, help them to overcome difficulties, arrange for their Guiders to be trained, perhaps to come to Great Britain for training visits, and so—backed by your Thinking Day Pennies—to bring Guiding and Girl Scouting into the lives of thousands of children in all those other lands, and to enable the Guide Association in these countries to fulfil the conditions and standards necessary for World Membership—always their most earnest desire.

M. VERA ARMSTRONG



AM writing this in California, on the eve of the biennial Convention of the Girl Scouts of America, a stirring event in this great branch of our World Sisterhood. I know this full well from having attended two previous similar meetings, one at Atlantic City in 1946, and the last one in Cincinatti in 1952, when there were over 8,000 delegates present from all ends of this immense country, some travelling three days and nights to get there.

Although I try to send bits about Guiding on this side of the Atlantic for publishing each week in The Guide, I am conscious of a feeling of guilt at not having kept you, readers of The Guider, informed of my doings during these past few weeks. I hope I may be excused, because on the sort of tour I have been doing one has so little time to sit down and, as it were, crystallise the impressions so constantly being made on one's consciousness.

Yet I do want now, at this half-way point of my trek, to send you a brief note, mainly to bring to you—one and all—my good wishes for 1956, and also to give you some sketchy idea of what I could tell you so much more easily in a talk.

Flying across to Canada to Toronto only gave me a twenty-minute stop at Montreal, so that I did not manage to see anything this time of Guiding in the Maritime Provinces, but what I saw and heard of our Guide family was all good, while at Toronto I took the chance of going to see Doe Lake, that wonderful camp and training centre of the Ontario Guides. On this three-acre site many groups can camp at the

same time, independently of each other, but coming together for campfires and for swimThe Chief G

ming in the Lake. Lucky Ontario, in this centre!

#### Gold Cords for Guide in Iron Lung

Then, too, I was able to visit Bonita Glen where the Toronto Guides have their special camp ground, with its house for Guiders looking out over Lake Simcoe in all its beauty. This place is used by relays of Guides all through the summer, some one hundred and twenty at a time. I saw there a really beautiful 'Water Ballet' by Guides, and also had the pleasure of presenting her badge of Fortitude to Carol Smith—a most moving occasion when one realized how this girl had completed her work for the Gold Cord (the equivalent of the Queen's Guide badge, without the actual final B-P test) while lying in an iron lung—a grand example of what the Guide spirit will do.

From Toronto on to the Jamboree at Niagara-by-the-Lake. You will long ago have heard about that tremendous gathering and will have realized, from your own experience of big camps and rallies, what an inspiring and moving occasion this was for everyone there—perhaps rather specially for me, seeing as I did this fruition of the seed sown by my husband half a century ago.

The International Conference which followed the Jamboree was an outsanding success, with its fine representatives from four countries gathered to mark yet another milestone in progress. That outstanding Scout Leader, Jackson Dodd, who had been host all the time and responsible for so much of the happy atmosphere, was elected Co-Vice-President with me. After my short talk at the closing session, when I was leaving the room with everyone clapping and cheering, he seized my hand in front of the whole assembly and said: 'Can I kiss you?'—and did.

assembly and said: 'Can I kiss you?'—and did.

The windows of the Sheraton Brock Hotel where we were meeting look right out on to the Falls: and in my talk I pointed out to them and said that as all of us present there would for ever hear the thunder of the Falls in their ears, and remember how men had harnessed that power for the good of humanity so, too, Scouting and Guiding has harnessed an immeasurably vast power for good for the benefit of every nation that would use it.

#### Guiding in the New Townships

Either staying with friends en route, or stopping in convenient and comfortable little hotels, we called at the various Guide centres and found new little Companies and Packs springing up in many places where the new and growing industries have developed so quickly. At Sudbury there is an immense nickel mining area where ninety-four per cent of the world's nickel comes from and there we saw the highest chimney in the British Commonwealth.

# cuide's Talk

At Dryden and Kenora there are big pulp mills, and it was wonderful to see the pormous 'brown paper 'factory and to realize what pormous brown paper factory and to realize what future there is for paper when it supplies not only grappings but towels and table-cloths and even sheets and bedspreads. Most wonderful to me, of beets was to see the growth of Guiding in all these ourse, Guiding for the most part, of a high standard.

Winnipeg is a flourishing centre as regards Guides, with its own very nice Guide House which serves with Manitoba Provincial Guide Office as well as being charming rendezvous for visiting Guide folk passcharming tendezvous for visiting Guide folk passing through that big city, and we had big and delightful rallies there. I was very touched at the Brownies there giving me the totem name of Sparkle'. They explained that my coming was lighting of a fresh spark of enthusiasm and that the lighting of a fresh spark of enthusiasm and that the two extra letters, 'l' and 'e' stood for 'love'.

#### At Flin Flon

From Winnipeg I left the beaten track and flew five hundred miles up to Flin Flon, a mining area for many valuable ores. Since the discovery of these, Flin Flon has developed from a bit of wild, rocky and into quite a centre of civilization, with its water supply pumped from lakes four miles away, its houses, churches, schools and stores and, of course, its Guides-nine Packs of jolly Brownies, eight Guide Companies and one Ranger Company. I presented seven Gold Cords at Flin Flon, one of which was to a Guide who had come down from Churchill-miles away to the north, right on Hudson Bay.

Some of you may remember that it was Joyce Douglas, from Flin Flon, who was the Gold Cord Guide chosen to represent the Guides of the whole British Commonwealth at the Coronation in Westminster Abbey.

From Winnipeg we took the road again, doing a good many miles each day through the most exquisite scenery, miles and miles of forest, interspersed with glorious little lakes, lying like jewels, still and sunlit, the trees standing at the water's edge reflected so clearly and the rocky cliffs making it an ideal rock garden 'Blue lake in giant form. and rocky shore, I must return once more '-yes, indeed.

On these long runs one does pause from time to time to

give the driver a rest and to gaze at all these wonders of nature. Here a doe feeding by the road, quite oblivious of the traffic, holds us up, and there a wee chipmunk or tiny musk-rat. These small animals have a precarious existence, and it is sad to see the corpses of so many of them on the roads. Then we stood watching the four-way traffic at the Soo Locks, and for an hour we watched the ores being loaded into boats at Fort William. Then we had to investigate the new Taconite mine. and the town being carved there out of the bush. Everywhere there is something to see and gaze and wonder at in this great land of promise and accomplishment.

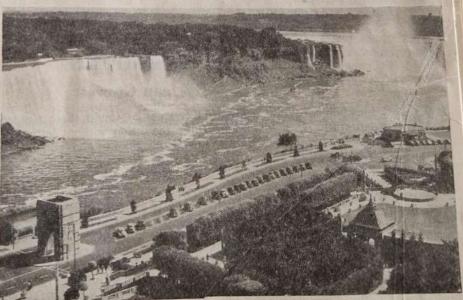
As we skimmed along towards the Middle West we passed mile after mile of cultivated cornland, some golden with stubble as far as the eye could reach, and here and there patches of vivid green where next year's crop is already visible. Soon the snow will

snug it down for the long winter.

#### Saskatchewan's Jubilee

The Province of Saskatchewan has just celebrated its Jubilee, and for by far the greater part of this fifty years it was all prairie land; but in the later years wonderful things have happened in the discovery and tapping of two new sources of wealth-oil and minerals. Some of the oil has been found in wells under these same corn fields and little pumps have been set up all amongst the corn, thus giving the farmer two crops, one from below and one from above-a double harvest.

Saskatchewan has a Guide family of over 4,000 in a widely spread area, ranging from Yorkton and Hudson Bay in the East, Rockglen down near the



[Photos by courtesy Canadian Pacific]

(Top) A bear on the shores of Lake Louise in the Rockies and (above) Niagara Falls

United States border, Loverna on the Alberta border to the west and Uranium City and Cumberland House in the far north. Uranium City is one of the new mining areas, five hundred air miles north of Prince Albert and three hundred miles north of the control of miles north of the end of the railroad. five Companies and Packs here and their supplies have to go by air either from Prince Albert or Edmonton.

At Regina, as well as the Rally to which came Guides from as far as two hundred and forty-five



(Left to right) Mrs. Hyson, Mrs. Hartley, the World Chief Guide and Mr. J. M. Cameron look at the blast furnaces at the metallurgical plants of the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company of Canada at Trail, B.C. (Behind the Chief is Mrs. Pepler, who has driven her on this tour)

miles away, I saw a fine company of Extension Guides in a hospital and heard from the matron theilling story of how Costs Guides in a hospital and the story of how Guiding the same old, but, thrilling story of recovery has helped them on their way to recovery.

Thence on into Alberta, that huge province where Guides are scattered into very far distant where Guides are scattered Circle is administered places. Guiding in the Arctic Circle is administered by this Province, and the story of Beth Riddock's flying trips into the snow-ice-bound territory begs a description, going off, as she does, into the blue, a description, going on, as she does, into the blue, in the tiniest of planes, to visit Mission Stations with perhaps a few Guides, Scouts and Cubs, with perhaps a few Guides, North American children of the Eskimos and North American Indians and fur trappers, with hundreds of miles of empty forest or muskegg and marsh and bare rocky wastes and lakes between them.

#### In British Columbia

It was then just the loveliest of moments when we glimpsed the Rockies at last again as we sped on via Banff into British Columbia.

This country is so wonderful, and the scenery indescribably lovely amongst these gorgeous mountains, lakes and forests. Then at each stop, as we wove our way in and out of these long wandering valleys, divided by mountain ranges, we have found such splendid little Companies and Packs going on. I feel that this journey is justified if only in that it has brought together for a Rally these children who have never met any other Guides. They came in from immense distances, usually by road, brought by parents or friends—and get a whole holiday for the outing. To the Rally at Nelson, however, nine hundred did come by a special train from the great smelting plant town of Trail. Most of these children had never seen a train before so you can imagine the excitement.

# Log-Books

#### By Jean Gorvett

E went home feeling very rejected '. This malapropism is a quotation from the winner of the Patrol Nature Log-Book Competition run recently in The GUIDE. It very aptly expresses what I felt when I saw the tail end of the entry for the competition!

We weren't expecting a vast number of logs. It's a big thing for a whole patrol to work together for three months to produce any sort of a Log-Book; observation of nature needs even more enthusiasm. But we were expecting to receive descriptions of the Guides' own findings. Instead a number of our competitors sent in nature scrapbooks-with nothing remotely resembling a log or a diary in them.

Could these Guides have entered the competition without letting their Captains know? We'd like to give you the benefit of that doubt, and ask if you do not think that the correct keeping of Log-Books or diaries is a useful part of Guiding?

Although we feel that Guides should know about woodcraft we're not at the moment suggesting more nature diaries. We are suggesting that the minutes of the meetings (Rule 49.4) can be turned into records of Guiding activities that can be looked back to with pleasure by future Guides and Guiders; or perhaps patrols could keep their own Log-Books. A sense of continuity and tradition, of pride in Company and Patrol, are a

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# Woodcraft in January

By Phyllis Hager

UCH of the art of a naturalist lies in anticipating. Not only thinking ahead about what animal may be in the particular field or wood one is approaching, but also anticipating the special happenings associated with each month throughout the year. This is merely:

The cuckoo comes in April, Begins his song in May, He ends his tune in the middle of June And then he flies away,

on a larger scale.

So that you may know some of the things you are likely to see in particular months I shall be writing of the things I look forward to seeing, month by month, throughout the year.

January, I consider a very good month in which to start taking an interest in birds. They are now in flocks, often large flocks, and it is so much easier to sight birds in a mass now than later on when most of the flocks break up as the birds pair for the breeding season.

As well as the large flocks and packs there are the smaller parties of tits, goldfinches and bullfinches about the hedgerows and scrub land. Should these fly up as you approach there is not one but two, three, or twenty birds going up, offering you a better chance of identification. Often you will find a mixed flock, particularly of the finches, about the fields, giving an opportunity of comparing one species side by side with

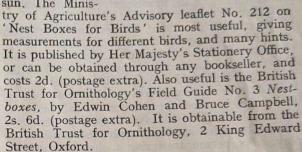
Much interest is added to bird watching by knowing what the birds are doing, why they are moving in a certain direction. Roughly, the big flocks of birds you see go out in the mornings to feeding places, and come in, in smaller groups, to

roost in the evenings.

When you are out these winter afternoons do watch out for any small parties of birds-rooks, starlings or gulls-all heading in the same direction. Go out as often as you can, and try and discover where these roosts are; see whether the numbers of birds in the roost increase greatly as the winter progresses, and note how, and when, these winter roosts cease to be used. By doing so you will become very bird conscious and the smaller birds also will have added interest.

Possibly you wish to see these closer than in a flock. How about a nesting box? Although autumn is the best time to put one up, January is not too late for the birds to become accustomed to it.

Nest boxes should be secure, slope forward so that rain drains off. and so placed that they are out of the full sun. The Minis-



#### Log-Books (Continued from page 18)

great stimulus to successful Guiding and Log-Books can be the focus for these feelings.

Perhaps your patrols have entered for the Chief Commissioner's Patrol-Challenge. If so, this is a good time to start patrol Log-Books. Accounts of progress in the Challenge can be combined with

routine record of test achievements.

There's no reason why Log-Books should not contain interesting information and cut-outs from external sources as long as they are kept separate. In fact, you may find that Log-Books are in more constant use if they contain (say) the morse code or First Class requirements, sketch maps and pillar box collections. Such information might be put on the left hand side of the open book and the log proper on the right side. In this way you can make the Guides realize the difference between their own experiences and secondhand information. And so Log-Books can help to train the citizen of the future in clear and logical thinking.

Finally, a word about the patrol Log-Book competition. Some patrols had taken a great deal of trouble with their Log-Books. We found that observations and information from books are not always kept separate; and this needs stressing when Second Class and Naturalist Log-Books are being made. We had six entries from New Zealand, and Victoria, Australia, are running their own competition. Good hunting, Australia, and Good Luck to company logs and their instigators.

#### From the Trainers' Notebooks

Ideas for Companies and Packs

Tiddleywink Quiz

FORMATION: Patrols in Corners.

EQUIPMENT: For each patrol, a pencil and paper, tiddleywinks or stones and beans for

scoring

Patrols are given a subject, such as copies of the new Highway Code, from which they make up twelve questions and answers. (Almost any part of testwork can be used and it can include practical answers such as knotting or oral ones on the history of the movement. Leaders must be confident of correct answers.)

After checking, these quizzes are exchanged, the leader holding the questions and answers.

Each patrol has a chart of twelve numbered squares either marked on paper or chalked on the floor. Every Guide plays tiddleywinks to get their counter on to a square (or throws a stone on to it), and is asked the question corresponding to the number. They receive from their leader a scoring bean for a correct reply and continue to play. The person answering a question correctly for the first time receives two beans. The Guide with the most in each patrol wins.

In this way skill in play is combined with knowledge of the subject while the newest recruit has

opportunities of learning from others.

M.C.

#### Zoo Parade (for Guides in Hospital)

MATERIALS: Each Guide needs a piece of card (all the same size), string and pencil. Each patrol needs scissors and a long stick.

One Guider signals the names of six dogs (poodle, spaniel, etc.) to patrols A and B. The other Guider signals the names of six different dogs to patrols C. and D.

In the patrol, the Guides take turns to read the words. Each Guide draws one dog on her card, cuts it out and ties it to the stick. Patrols A and

B change sticks with patrols C and D.

The patrols judge the sticks they are givenone point for each dog they can recognize and one

point for each correct knot.

Variations: 1. Signal the names of different animals (tiger, elephant). 2. Signal the names of different leaves to be cut out and tied to the branch of a tree.

B.M.

#### Equipment Spring Clean

Time would be well spent during part of our meetings when we cannot get out of doors, in going through equipment, remaking some and recolouring others.

Brownies can make new sets of flag cards by Brownies can make working for the Golden games and for use when working for the Golden games and for use when the Golden Bar. Cut oblong pieces of card, draw the games and let those who are learning them on these and let those who are learning them. on these and let those Pack Leader could colour the cards. (Perhaps Pack Leader could colour the cards and bring them to the meeting A set of about one dozen of each flag, and en. A set of about one others with the names of the Saints printed on, are very useful for many games. Those concentrating on Semaphore can make

sets of cards. Each set can be marked with a distinctive colour for each Six. In the sets of Semaphore cards it is useful to have a distinct colour for cards which could be used for recruits

D.H.

A Shopping Game (Brownies)

EQUIPMENT: Some small articles to be sold in shop. A set of 6 different coins for each Six, such as halfpenny, penny, threepenny bit, sixpence shilling and half a crown, made by the Brownies from odd scraps of card.

Tell the Brownies that in Holland Brownies (Kabouteurs) have to know the value of coins, be

able to shop and give change correctly.

Sixers sit in Corners—an equal distance away from Brown Owl's shop. Each Brownie has a coin and any coins over in the Six are placed in front of the Sixer.

Brown Owl holds up an article and calls out the price. The Brownies from each Six holding the coins which make that price run up to the doorstep of the shop and queue (sit down). The first Six with the correct money take the article back (e.g., 9d., 6d., and 3d., run up for 1s. 6d.), but they must say 'Thank you' in Dutch. Dank je well (j as y, w as v). The Sixer may run with the coins in front of her if the amount has to be made up.

H.T.

#### A Tip for Varnishing

If the Company or Pack are doing handcrafts and want to varnish a number of small items an empty nail varnish bottle, with its brush stopper, makes a handy container and is always ready for use. (If transparent 'paper' varnish is used

mark the bottle very clearly 'not for the nails!').
When small painting jobs needing several colours or heavier varnish is to be used containers can be made from tinfoil milk bottle tops. They can be thrown away at the end of the meeting and a lot of clearing-up time saved.

# The Violin and Violoncello Competitions

Sybile, a fine copy of a Bergonzi violin made by W. E. Hill & Son, and the 'cello, made by T. Smith, are again ready for the solution and the rules are set out below (T) made by competition and the rules are set out below. (They Gupe of 6th January.) RANGER and

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Entries must be received by 1st May so there is time for your Guides, Rangers or Cadets, if is time wish, to enter for the March-April examinathey of the Associated Board of the Royal School of Music, entry for which must be received by 1st February. Examinations are held in different parts all over the country and full particulars can be obtained by writing to 15, Bedford Square, London, W.C.1.

This is a chance for members of the movement to compete for two good instruments and other competitions will be announced as one or other of the five instruments in charge of the Girl Guides Association becomes available.

Entries should reach the Secretary, Mrs. Anthony Jeffreys, The Girl Guides Association, P.O. Box 269, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London, S.W.1, on or before 1st May, 1956. The violin and 'cello will be handed over to the winner after the competition.

#### COMPETITION RULES

- 1. Candidates must be British Girl Guides resident in the British Isles.
- 2. All Guides, Rangers and Cadets are eligible to compete.

3. Each entrant must state date and year of birth.

4. The violin and 'cello will be awarded on loan for two years (and longer at the discretion of the Music Adviser, C.H.Q.) to the Guide, Ranger or Cadet who has passed the Grade V (higher) examination, or any of the more advanced examinations of the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music, and who then satisfies the Music Adviser both as to her music and her qualifications as a Guide, Ranger or Cadet.

5. When candidates apply they must send a copy of the Examiner's statement of marks gained, signed by their teacher and Guide Commissioner, also a report from the Guide, Ranger or Cadet Captain, countersigned by the District Commissioner, regarding their Guide, Ranger or Cadet qualifications, as these will be taken into consideration when the violin and 'cello are assigned.

6. The violin is insured by Commonwealth Headquarters, and any damage or accident should be reported at once to the Secretary, Mrs. Jeffreys.

7. The violin must not be taken out of the British Isles.

8. At the end of each year of holding the violin a report on progress by the music teacher and the Guide, Ranger or Cadet Captain, countersigned by the District Commissioner, must be sent to Mrs. Jeffreys.

9. The violin must be returned to Headquarters at the end of the appointed time, which will be notified by Mrs. Jeffreys.

# The Lone Badge: Opinions Wanted

THERE is one section whose members wear a different enrolment badge from all the other Rangers or Guides. The Lone Rangers and Guides have 'L' imposed on the Trefoil used by other members of the branch to which they belong.

The Extensions discontinued using their distinctive badge many years ago and they are Rangers and Guides just as any other members of their branch and preferred to show this by wearing the same badge.

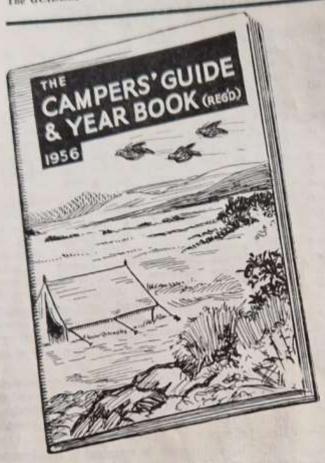
Is it a good thing for Lones to have a distinctive badge? It certainly helps to distinguish members of the Lone section at rallies and other gatherings, and may sometimes encourage questions and so makes the Lone Section better known. It also has the value of tradition as it has been in use for many years.

Yet why should Lone Rangers and Guides be labelled 'different' when they are full members of the branch, doing the same tests and activities as others, though under different conditions as the Company meeting comes by post. Their difficulties are not greater than many Extension

Rangers and Guides.

What do you think? Do members of the Lone Section gain or lose by having a distinctive badge? Does the Movement as a whole benefit by demonstrating that it includes a section for girls who, by force of circumstances, cannot attend the more usual Company meeting or would it gain by show-

ing that its unity transcends circumstance? Please send your opinion to the Lone Adviser, C.H.Q., Miss G. Clayton, Calder Hey, Calderstones Road, Liverpool, 18.



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# Alterations and Additions to P.O.R.

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O NLY the alterations and additions which directly affect Brownies, Guides or Rangers have been published below. When the new edition of P.O.R. published a notice will appear in The Guider

gule 45. BROWNIE PROFICIENCY BADGES
Page 27. Signaller: Clause 3
Reword:

Have a practical knowledge of the whistle and hand signals used in a Guide Company.'

Page 28. Thrift

Delete from Rule 45 as this is not a Proficiency
Badge, and insert a new rule before Rule 44, as

Thrift Badge . . . syllabus as now set. Add in place of present note at end of syllabus:
A Brownie may take this badge any time after her enrolment.

#### GUIDE AGE RANGE Rule 46. Page 29

Delete and substitute:
Guides are girls between the ages of eleven and sixteen; if considered desirable recruits may be accepted at 10½. With the approval of both the Ranger and Guide Guiders concerned, a Guide may become a Ranger at fourteen (see rule 62).

#### Rule 59. FIRST CLASS

Page 32. Clause 3
Delete 'making' and substitute 'compiling.'

#### ule 61. BOATSWAIN BADGE Page 37 Rule 61.

Delete syllabus and substitute the following:

1. Manage a dinghy single-handed.

2. Row a boat with others.
3. Use the following knots: reef, bowline, clove-hitch, sheet-bend, round turn and two half hitches.

'4. Throw an unweighted line 12 yards.

5. Know the common terms used in connection

with rowing boats.

'N.B.—Before working for this badge a Guide must be able to swim 50 yards, in accordance with Rule 106 (1).'

#### Rule 61. COUNTRY DANCER BADGE

Page 40.

Add note after syllabus:

The dances named are given to show the standard which Guides winning the badge are expected to attain, but at the discretion of the tester other dances of equivalent scope and difficulty may be substituted.

#### Rule 61. FIRST AID BADGE

Page 42. Clause 6

Add 'Or bring to the test a simple First Aid set, fitted up by herself.'

#### Rule 61. ALL-ROUND CORDS

Page 57. Clause 2

Add 'Life-Saver' after 'Swimmer,' as a fourth alternative.

Add 'Map Reader' between 'Land-Girl' and

'Naturalist' in list of badges from which a Guide has to choose at least one.

Page 59 RANGERS Rule 62.

age 59

Delete from line 3 onwards and substitute:

'The Ranger age is from fifteen to twenty-one years inclusive. Where circumstances make it desirable girls of fourteen may be admitted to the Unit (see Rule 46). There are three Sections within the Branch—Land, Sea and Air—each with its own section training. Lone and Extension Rangers also belong to these Sections (see Rule 85 and 88). Rangers in active units who, through physical disability, are unable to take the Pre-Enrolment or Ranger Service Star tests, as laid down in this chapter, may use the alternatives given in the leaflet, Extension Section Alternative Tests.

'Rangers under the age of twenty-one who are unable to continue with active Guiding may, at the discretion of their Commissioner and the County Trefoil Guild Recorder, join the Trefoil Guild. On reaching the age limit Rangers should be encouraged to transfer to the Trefoil Guild if they cannot undertake active appointments.'

cannot undertake active appointments.

#### Rule 69. PRE-ENROLMENT TEST Page 62

Delete clause 2 and substitute:

'2. (a) Know the symbolism and significance of the Union Jack, the flag of her own country, the Guide World Flag and the flag of the United Nations; be able to hoist them.'

Rule 71. RANGER SERVICE STAR

Page 64. Part II

Amend Clause 3 as follows:

'Choose a country overseas and be able to interest other people in what she has found out about it, and know whether it is a member of the United Nations Organisation.'

OR OR

'United Nations: Know what the following initials stand for: U.N.O., U.N.A., U.N.E.S.C.O., U.N.I.C.E.F., I.L.O., F.A.O., W.H.O., and know something about the work of one of these bodies.'

Add after Clause 7:

8. Passing on to the Trefoil Guild Recorder the names of Lones reaching the age of twenty-one who are unable to continue with active Guiding.'

#### Singing Games

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The GUIDER, January, 1956



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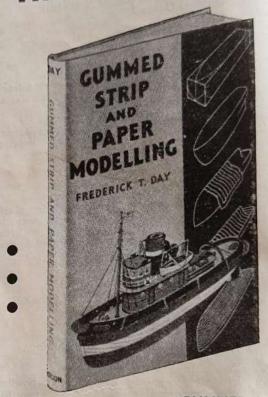
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# Headquarters' Notices

COMING EVENTS

The Empire Circle Annual Meeting will be held in library at Commonwealth Headquarters on wednesday, 25th January at 6.30 p.m. After the Wedless meeting Miss Daphne Colvin will show Australian slides

The Thinking Day Party will be held on Thursday,

23rd February

Retreats for Church of England Guiders: The church of England Youth Council is arranging a Retreat for Church of England Guiders at The Old House, Cropthorne, Pershore, Worcestershire, from 7th-29th April, 1956. Conductor: The Rev. J. A. crofts, Vicar of All Saints, Bromsgrove. The fee 30s. which includes a booking fee of 2s. 6d. (non sumable). Booking and further particulars from this R. C. Hadow, Church of England Youth Cound. 69, Great Peter Street, London, S.W.1

A Retreat for Anglican members of Headquarters' taff and their friends will be held at the Diocesan House, St. Albans, from 16th-18th November, 1956. Invone interested is asked to get in touch with

liss Furze at Headquarters.

#### IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. N. A. Fletcher, County Commissioner,

Gwen Gunning (née Nation) who died on 8th November, had been a member of the Movement since 1924, first as a Guide in the 42nd Cardiff Comany, later as Lieutenant of the 36th Cardiff, and then as Captain of the 57th Cardiff until her In 1953 she joined the South Cardiff Trefoil Guild, and in 1954 she became County Recorder. She died very suddenly, on her way to a meeting of the Guild, and her happy, friendly presence is sadly missed by all in the County of

Cardiff and East Glamorgan.

Miss Eleanor Harris had been a member of the Eastbourne Division since 1931. She started as a Brown Owl, and her mixture of fun, discipline and teaching were a revelation to her Tawny Owls, of whom she trained many. As Commissioner for Opperton, she endeared herself to her District. When she resigned and subsequently became Division Badge Secretary, and First Class Brownie Tester, her quiet efficiency and method were of the utmost value to Commissioners, Guiders, testers and tested alike. During her long and painful illness her courage and cheerfulness never faltered and Eastbourne Guiding will be the poorer for her

Miss Helen Hett, who died on 4th December after a long illness, had been Division Commissioner in Mid-Sussex for many years until her retirement in 1938 when she became a County Vice-President. Recruited in 1916 by the Chief Guide she had been Guide and Ranger Captain at Ardingly and first Chairman of the County Ranger Council when it was formed in 1926. She was also Camp Adviser, and Rangers and Guides in her Division enjoyed many adventures under her leadership. She had a special interest in the Chailey Heritage School where a

Guide Hut was built through her generosity and the joys of Guiding were given to many handicapped Guides and Brownies. At the County Rally in 1938 the Record the Beaver Award was presented to her to the great joy of all her friends who knew, and had been inspired by, her leadership and devotion to the

In affectionate memory of Winifred Howard, much-loved Skipper of S.R.S. Seafarer and Captain of the 1st Birkenhead North Company from 1936 until her death in October, 1955. Guide, philosopher and friend to the young people in her care, she faced her last illness with resolute faith and all we who knew her pay tribute to a devoted Guider whose long years of service will remain as a happy memory of a most courageous leader.

Edith Johnson, who died on 17th November, had been Guiding in St. Leonards for thirty years. She started the 10th St. Leonards Company in 1929 and ran it until she retired in 1952, having previously served as a Ranger, and then as Lieutenant in the 7th St. Leonards Company. She received a Certificate of Merit after twenty-five years' loyal service.

#### **AWARDS**

Good Service

Beaver: Miss M. Collins, Sea Ranger Captain, Surrey North.

Medal of Merit: Miss E. A. Bristol, Lately Division

Commissioner for Ladywood, Birmingham

Medal of Merit: Miss E. M. Daw, Extension Secretary for Birmingham.

Medal of Merit: Miss Thirkell, J.P., Guide Captain, Ryde, Isle of Wight.

Gallantry

Gilt Cross: Beatrice Ashworth, aged 15 years, Guide, 4th Stalybridge Company, Manchester.

Three small children were in difficulties by a concrete slipway; a boat going to their rescue became lodged in the jetty and a life line was not long enough. A coastguard was supporting the three children, and Beatrice swam approximately fifty yards out, despite a swift current, and succeeded in bringing one of the children to shore.

Gilt Cross: Patricia Higgins, aged 14 years, P.L., 45th Oldham St. Patrick's Company, Lancashire

South East.

Pat was preparing breakfast whilst her parents were out when she heard her brother, aged 3, screaming. She rushed into the living room and saw that his nightdress was on fire. She ripped the night-dress from him and threw it into the fire before he had had time to be badly burnt. He was allowed to return from hospital after treatment, but Pat was detained with extensive burns to her hands and

Gilt Cross: Patricia Knight, aged 111 years and Gillian Polley, aged 11 years, 1st Haslemere Com-

pany, 5th Haslemere Pack, Surrey West.

Patricia and Gillian were walking by a railway line with a friend, when she slipped and fell on to the live rail. They caught hold of her clothes and pulled her away, then carried her, unconscious and badly burned, across the line to safety just before a

Gilt Cross: Carol Wills, aged 15 years, P.L., 7th train came.

Leicester Company.
Five Guides got into difficulties whilst bathing due to the sudden rising of the wind, and were pulled into deep water or badly battered as they clung to a breakwater. Carol, under the direction of the lifesaver who realised she could not help all at once, rescued one of the girls. When all the Guides were rescued, suffering from cuts, bruises and shock, Carol continued to help the lifesaver with first aid.

Certificate of Merit for Gallantry: Deanna Morris, aged 15 years, Guide, 7th Darlaston Company, Staffordshire.

Fortitude

Badge of Fortitude: Pauline Buckingham, aged 15 years, P.L., 1st Bedfordshire Post Company.

Pauline suffers from spastic paraplegia and is small and frail, and unable to walk in spite of lengthy treatment. Despite a number of other disabilities she is always cheerful and anxious to give as little trouble as possible. She makes light of her difficulties and is an inspiration to the whole company.

Badge of Fortitude: Barbara Wallis, aged 18 years, Ranger, 1st Hertfordshire Post Ranger Company.

Barbara has been totally blind since the age of 2, and for the past three years has had many operations on her face with frequent surgical dressings of a very painful nature. In spite of all this she always remains cheerful and co-operative, showing a great courage which has impressed the doctors and all who meet her.

Badge of Fortitude: Cynthia Woodbridge, aged 11 years, Brownie Sixer, 3rd Bognor Pack, Sussex.

Cynthia was in hospital for 21 years having treatment for her knee, and for eighteen months of the time was flat on her back. In spite of wearing a caliper day and night, and a good deal of pain, she has, through sheer determination, taught herself to be as active as possible, always making light of her troubles and appearing smiling and cheerful.

Letter of Commendation for Fortitude: Marcella Warren, aged 9 years, Brownie, 4th Newington Pack, London South East.

Guide Training Diploma: Miss J. Gilbert, West Glamorgan.

#### APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS Resignation

Mrs. Traherne, Chief Commissioner for Wales.

NOTICE BOARD

The Catholic Guide Advisory Council are organising a Camp for Convent School Companies who lack facilities for camping. The Camp will be limited to fifty in number and not more than four places can be allocated to any one Company. Two extra names may be sent in for consideration should vacancies occur. Preference will be given to Guides of 15 years of age or more. Details may be obtained from the Secretary, Catholic Guide Advisory Council, 20 Paulton's Square, London, S.W.3., from February 15th, 1956. Stamped and addressed envelope (foolscap size) should be enclosed. This

will be the only Camp to be organised by the

Catholic Guide Advisory Council in 1956. teaching religion by Mother Diocese, at the Ursuline Demonstrator for Brentwood Diocese, at the Ursuline Demonstrator for Brentwood Listh April 1956

Demonstrator for Brentwood, 13th-15th April, 1956. Particulars can be obtained from Miss W. Price, 34

Kensington Gardens, Hford, Essex. Kensington Gardens, Hold, Essex,
There will be Ki-Ro Training given by the Rev.
Patrick Corrigan, Scout National Chaplain, at Soli House, Stratford-on-Avon, on 18th-19th February.

Price 15s. Applications to Soli House. Applications for Grants: We would remind all concerned that applications for grants from the King George's Jubilee Trust Development and secretarial grants should be forwarded through Countries Committees in time to be considered and forwarded by them to the Secretary of the Grants Committee, C.H.Q., not later than 1st February. In most cases this will mean that applications should be prepared and forwarded to your Country's Committee without delay. Forms of application can be obtained from the Secretary, Grants Committee, C.H.Q., (see C.H.Q. pamphlet 'Schedule on Grants available '

Ranger Slides: With a view to making a set of slides showing Land, Sea or Air Ranger activities, can anyone lend any photographs (any size) to Miss Heys-Jones, 23 Denbigh Gardens, Richmond, Surrey? 35 mm. coloured films would also be welcomed. Every care will be taken of photographs or films which will be returned as soon as possible to the

Ranger Film Library: Particulars of these films, which can be shown on any 35 mm. 'still' projector, can be obtained from Miss Hevs-Jones at the above address. Cost 3s., plus postage both ways.

The Trefoil Guild: The quarterly publication of The Trefoil Guild (formerly known as Notes & News) has been renamed The Trefoil—Official Journal of The Trefoil Guild (The Girl Guides Association). Mrs. Armstrong is the Hon. Editor and in future the journal will be a 20-paged publication, coming out in March, June, September and December. Copies may be obtained from Headquarters and Branch Shops, or an annual order placed with The Trefoil Guild Central Office, 46 Belgrave Square, London, S.W.1, price 1s. 6d. p.a. (post free).

A Woodcraft Book for Guides

Another good woodcraft book is Letters to a Young Naturalist (Collins, 10s. 6d.). In it a boy called Peter (and later his sister) exchange letters with a naturalist uncle who suggests many interesting things to follow up which any Guide could do. It is not a book to read at a stretch as the letterform tends to be a little monotonous.

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Fare Bursaries: Assistance will be given to Guiders on a basis of touriths of the railway fare in excess of £1. Further details from the secretary, Training Department, C.H.Q.

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

#### FOXLEASE

January 6-10 Music Party

20-24 Guide and Brownie Guiders
Guide and Brownie Guiders
(emphasis on preparing
the company for camp)

February 24-28 Guide and Brownie Guiders March

2- 6 Guide and Brownie Guiders 9-13 Commissioners and Secretaries

16-20 Guide Guiders (emphasis on training Patrol Leaders) and Brownie Guiders

\*23-26 Ranger Guiders (all Sections)

Cadet Guiders

29- 6 April (Easter). General

Training

April

10-17 Guide and Brownie Guiders 20-24 Surrey North

27-1 May. Guide and Brownie Guiders (emphasis on Promise and Law)

4-8 Outdoor Activities 11-15 Middlesex East

18-28 (Whitsun. Guide and
Brownie Guiders (Training at the week-end
with holiday mid-week)

# Where to Train

June

1-8 Guide and Brownie Guiders
12-19 Guide and Brownie Guiders
with special sessions for
Commissioners. (Guiders
may bring children under
five)

22-26. Levil

29-3 July Guide and Browne Guiders (emphasis on World Guiding)

6-16 International Extension Training 20-27 General Training and

Holiday
August, Guide and Brownie
Guiders

August
†10-20 Patrol Leaders' Training
24-28 Guide and Brownie Guiders
\* Separate training

#### WADDOW

30 Dec.-9 Jan. General (a) Elementary (b) Refresher

13-16 N.W. Area C.A.s

February

17-21 Guide (special emphasis on the P.L.) and Brownie Guiders

24-28 Westmorland and Cumberland

March

2-6 Guide and Brownie Guiders 9-13 General (emphasis on 'Scouting for Boys')

16-20 Lancs N.E.

23-27 Guide and Brownie Guiders (emphasis on the Promise and Law)

29- 6 April (Easter). Guide, Brownie, and Ranger Guiders

April

10-17 Guide and Brownie Guiders

20-24 Camp Fire

27- 1 May. Guide and Brownie Guiders (with separate sessions for Commissioners)

May 4-8 Cheshire

‡8-11 Commissioners and Secretaries

11-15 Guide and Brownie Guiders

18-22 (Whitsun) General

June

1- 3 Lancashire South

July 24-30 General Training (sessions for new Guiders)

August †3-13 Patrol Leaders' Training

† Applications for Patrol Leaders' Trainings should reach the Training Centre by 1st March so that places



can be allocated on that date. Guiders are reminded that only 2 Patrol Leaders can be accepted from each Company and that they must be between the ages 13 and 15½ on 1/7/1956 (born after 31/1/1941).

‡ This training is specially arranged for Commissioners and Secretaries who are not free to attend other trainings.

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 adressed envelope to the Secretary, Foxlease, Lyndhurst, Hants, or to the Secretary, Waddow Hall, Clitheroe, Lancs. (Where there is more than one type of training please state for which group you wish to apply.)

#### M.T.B.

March 29- 5 April. Guiders April

5-23 Guiders. Fitting Out (half fees will be charged for

August 11-18 Guiders (sailing oppor-

September tunities)

4-14 Guiders (sailing opportunities)

(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.

#### C.H.Q. CONFERENCES AND TRAININGS

'Lone Guiders': The 1954 Correspondence Course for Lone Guide Guiders is still available. Those wishing to take part should send their names to the Secretary, Commonwealth Training Department, enclosing a fee of 4s, and a stamped adressed envelope. Each Guider will then be linked with a Diploma'd Guider who will act as her trainer for the Course.

ENGLAND

The following trainings will be held at C.H.Q. and are open to all Guiders. Applications, enclosing the appropriate fee, to be made to the Secretary, English Training Department, C.H.Q.

Land Ranger Guiders: Saturday.

Department, C.H.Q.

Land Ranger Guiders: Saturday,
4th February, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. and
Sunday, 5th February, 2-5,30 p.m.
The main theme of the training
will be the Adventurer Test and
practical and outdoor activities for
Land Rangers; there will also be
sessions on the general Ranger
programme. Hospitality will be
provided for Guiders coming from programme. Hospitality will be provided for Guiders coming from a distance. Fee: 3s. 6d. for weekend, 2s. 6d. for Saturday only (excluding meals). Rangers over twenty and ex-Rangers who might be potential Ranger Guiders may apply if they have their Commissioner's permission.

District Commissioners: Thursday, 9th February, 7-9 p.m.

day, 9th February, 7-9 p.m.

Division Commissioners: Thursday, 16th February, 7-9 p.m. Fee: 1s.

Ranger Helpers: For Rangers of all sections who are helping with Guide Companies or Brownie Packs. Tuesday, 14th February, 7-9 p.m. Fee: 1s.

Brownie Pack Holiday : Saturday, 18th February, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Sunday, 19th February, 2-5.30 p.m. Fee: 6s. 6d. for week-end, which includes tea on both days.

Woodcraft (Emphasis on Second Class) Saturday, 10th March, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Fee: 4s., including

General Ranger Training Guiders of all sections. Saturday, 17th March, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Fee:

4s., including tea.
Northern Extension Guiders at York, Saturday, 17th march, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Fee: 3s. All 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Fee: 3s. All applications, enclosing fee, to Miss H. Michael, 3 Royal Avenue, Scarborough, and not to C.H.Q. Further details will then be sent. It is hoped to be able to provide hospitality for those coming from a distance. There will be training for all Branches and Handicapped Groups. Anybody interested, par-ticularly Commissioners who have Extensions in their District, will be very welcome.

#### SCOTLAND

Netherurd

January 6-9 Patrol Leaders (open) 13-16 Cadet and Ranger Guiders Guide and Brownie Guiders (including ideas for Thinking Day) 27-30 Glasgow E.N.E. and N.W.

Divisions (Guide and Brownie Guiders)

February 3-17 Closed 24-27 Conference on Guide First Class Standards

Guide and Brownie Guiders 2- 5 Guide and Brownie Guiders
(including pre-warrant)

\*9-12 Midlothian (Guide and
Brownie Guiders)

\*16-19 County Durham (Guide
and Brownie Guiders)

23-26 Preparing the Company
and Pack for Camp and
Pack Holiday

Pack Holiday Guide and

April (Easter). Gui Brownie Guiders 29- 3

6-9 Guide and Brownie Guiders 13-16 First Class and Golden April Hand

\* 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.

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

WALES

Broineirion January 20-22 Brownie Guiders

27-29 International - Preparation for Thinking Day

February Guide Guiders (emphasis on Training of Patrol . 3- 5 Leaders)

Outside Booking 17-19 24-26 Commissioners

March Welsh Counties Training: Guide Guiders-Selection by County Training Committee

Welsh Counties' Training: 9-11 Brownie Guiders—Selec-tion by County Training Committee.

29-3 April. Birmingham County April

6-11 Patrol Leaders Training 13-15 Land of the Red Dragon. By invitation of County Training Committee

20-22 Ranger Guiders

May 4- 6 Denbigh County Training 11-14 Gloucester County Train-

ing-Commissioners June 1-3 Monmouth County Training 11-21 Extension Holiday

26-6 July. King George VI Leadership Course July

21-28 International Gathering August

22-29 Monmouthshire Patrol Leaders' Training

Fees for Broneirion are the same as those for Foxlease. Applications, enclosing a deposit of 5s., to the Guider-in-Charge, Broneirion, LlanJanuary 13-15 Ranger Guiders 27-29 South Belfast

February
3-5 Co. Antrim
3-5 S. 3d. per day. ApplicaFees: 8s. 3d. per day. Applications for trainings at Lorne to the
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At County week-ends there may be a certain number of places for the county week-ends areas.

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CAMPING AND HOLIDAYS

Foxlease or Waddow: Applications for camp sites for 1956 will be considered in January and should be addressed to the Secretary and the envelope marked 'Camp'. Applications 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 stanadrd. No sites may be booked for more than one week for one company during the main camping season so as to allow as many as possible to have the privilege of camping at Foxlease or Waddow.

At Foxlease there are three sites equipped for a maximum of twenty campers, three for thirty and one unequipped site may take forty campers.

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

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

Pack Holiday House, Waddow. Applications for Pack Holidays for 1956 will be considered on, and after, 1st January. The House is available for Guides, Rangers and Cadets with their Guiders between September and April inclusive. although preference will always be given to packs.

Warren Beach Camp Site: The site is situated opposite the Isle of Wight near the mouth of the Beaulieu River. The Guides have the use of a private bathing beach. There are five unequipped Camp Sites, all of which are bookable at Whitsun and during the summer. Applications should be made to the Warden, Miss K. Knox, Forest Lodge, White Hill, Bordon, Hants.

# The Guiders' Postbag

The West Indies Hurricane Fund

The C.H.Q. West Indies Hurricane Fund now and up to £194 9s. 1d. and I do want to send most grateful thanks for all your help. In surbados, Grenada and British Honduras, Guides helped a great deal with relief or messenger work and we are all very proud of them.

The Secretary for Barbados, Miss Williams, was at C.H.Q. a few weeks ago. She told us a huge management of their house for home but luckily her family escaped unhurt. They had to hold the shutters of their house for hours against the wind to prevent it breaking through. Miss Williams had mater was rationed for a week to half a cup per person per day for all purposes.

There is much damage in Grenada—burst water mains, blocked roads, the harbour destroyed and thousands homeless—and it will be a long time before we know what is wanted for the Guides there. In Barbados, Guide Headquarters is still standing and some of the money from the 'Hurricane Fund' will be used to replace uniform lost by Guides and Guiders. As more news comes in we will pass it on to you. In the meantime, thank you again most sincerely for your prompt response to our appeal.

HELEN GIBBS
[Chief Commissioner for Overseas]

#### Proficiency Badge Supplies

We have no difficulty in obtaining Badges. Orders are sent in to the District Requisition Secretary by the 22nd of each month and forwarded to the Division Requisition Secretary by the 25th. Supplies are sent out by her during the following week and a week later the Captains and Brown Owls receive their orders.

Arrangements can always be made (with the consent of the County Commissioner) for stocks of Tenderfoot, County Badges, etc., to be held by the Division Requisition Secretary. This method saves delay and disappointment all round. In the case of unusual badges a little more time might be required. Badge tests are arranged for a year and these take place to fit in with the requisition scheme.

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER (Middlesex East)

(All correspondents are thanked for their letters and helpful suggestions. Action will be considered and this correspondence is now closed.—Editor)

An Idea for Your District?

I wonder if Guiders who go abroad realize how stimulating Guides and Rangers in Extension Companies would find a short talk about their travels, pre-ferably with slides or with photographs to hand ferably with slides or with photographs to hand round? Our County Commissioner, Miss McSwiney, recently gave a talk about her visit to the Far East to the 5th Edgware Extension Company and the members of the Trefoil Guild at the Convent of St. Mary-at-the-Cross, Edgware. To people confined to beds or wheel chairs or only able to move a few yards unaided it was an exciting experience to accompany their County Commissioner in imagination on her journeys, to glimpse the loveliness of far-off lands and to see the smiling, friendly faces of fellow Guides on the other side of the world. Perhaps the climax came when slides were shown of a great rally of Guides and Brownies in Hong Kong at which the Chief Scout was present. Somehow the excitement of those massed ranks of blueclad girls communicated itself to the spell-bound onlookers in Edgware. 'Please go on.' 'We're not tired.' 'I feel all the better for the journey,' were remarks overheard, and one T.G. member said at the end: 'Well, anyway, we can't say we haven't seen the world now. E. C. CARTER seen the world now.

#### Visiting 'La Nef'

It is wonderful to arrive in another country and find a welcome waiting for you like home! If you climb the stairs of No. 10 Rue de Richelieu, Paris—the equivalent of 'Our Ark'—you will see the Galleon ship sign on the door of La Nef and a notice saying 'Entrez, pas sonner', Pushing the knob you enter, only to find the bell is ringing merrily as the door closes. At its sound there is a quick response from Mlle. Beley or one of her patrol.

At 'petit dejeuner' you meet the 'International Assembly', with Mlle. Beley in the chair—kettle in hand—surrounded by bright-

—surrounded by brightcoloured crockery. Her sense
of humour is the tonic for
your day of sight seeing.
On your return you may
meet her in the street, armed
with those long French rolls.
As she mounts the stairs of
La Nef she says with a
twinkle in her eye: 'You
notice that I have refrained
from nibbling on the way!'

La Nef has a welcome for you if you are thinking of visiting Paris—and it's not at all expensive!

EX-SURREY GUIDER

(The Secretary of the International Dept. at C.H.Q. will gladly supply you with a price list.—Editor)



I will keep my head above paper!

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Swindon and District Group Hospitals.—Applications invited from young ladies, aged 18 years or over, to train for the Certificate of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales of General Trained Marcas for England and Wales as General Trained for England and Wales as General Trained Nurses. Training covers a period of three years, the first thirteen weeks being spent in the Preliminary Training School. The training allowance is £240 first year, £250 second year, and £265 third year, with £113 per year repayable for board, etc. Regular off duty hours are arranged, ensuring a 96-hour fortnight. A study day system is in operation. Theoretical training study day system is in operation. Theoretical training is covered by the consultant staff and qualified Sister Tutors. Excellent practical experience is gained Sister Putors. Excellent practical experience is gained in the wards. Prospective candidates are invited to apply to the Matron of Victoria Hospital, Swindon, Wilts, St. Margaret's Hospital, Stratton St. Margaret, mr. Swindon, Wilts; Savernake Hospital, nr. Marlbornush, Wilts. borough, Wilts.

The Royal Hospital, Wolverhampton.—There are vacancies for student nurses aged 18 and over. Schools commence January, April, July and October each year. Three year training for General Nursing Council Examinations.—Apply to Matron.

Assistant Matrons required for Tanganyika Government European Education Department for one tour of 30/36 months in first instance. Salary scale (including present temporary allowance of 10 per cent of salary) £547 rising to £700 a year. Gratuity of 13½ per cent of total basic salary drawn during contract. Outfit allowance £45. Free passages. Liberal leave on full salary. Candidates must be unmarried and not over 40 years of age. They should preferably have had boarding school experience and should be interested in and have an understanding of children. include the general care of boys and girls at boarding schools (including maintenance of their clothing) especially out of school hours. Write to the Crown especially out of school hours. Write to the Crown Agents, 4 Millbank, London, S.W.1. State age, name in block letters, full qualification and experience and quote M3B/35117/GJ

Hounslow Hospital, Staines Road, Middlesex (General acute).—Pupils accepted for two years' training for roll of assistant nurses. Hospital with good residential accommodation near London. Interested candidates may visit the hospital by appointment with the Matron, to whom applications should be addressed.

United Ipswich Hospitals' Training School for Nurses.-Joint training for male and female nurses (636 beds), Ipswich and East Suffolk Hospital, Anglesea Road Wing and Heath Road Wing. Candidates are accepted for 31 years' joint training at the above School. The preliminary course commences at the beginning of January, May and September each year. Study-day system of training in operation. Wide range of practical nursing experience available. Usual training allowance given.-For full particulars apply to Matron of either wing of the Ipswich and East Suffolk Hospital.

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Assistant Matron required, Blind Home, London. Nursange experience desirable.—Apply Middlesex Association for the Blind, 66 Victoria Street, London, S.W.1. Young Resident Caterer wanted for small residential

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Wiltshire Association for Care of the Blind, Home for Blind, Swindon.—Applications are invited for the post of resident Assistant Matron for the above home for aged blind persons. Some nursing experience desirable but not essential. Salary £236 p.a. rising to £276 p.a. plus board and residence. Superannuation scheme. Applications, stating age, experience and qualifications, accompanied by names and addresses of two referees, to be forwarded to the Secretary Wiltshire Association for the Secretary Wiltshire Association for the Secretary willshire Association for the Secretary willshire Association for the Secretary willshire Association for the Secretary will shire association for the same shire that the same Secretary, Wiltshire Association for the Care of the Blind, la Market Place, Devizes.

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