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## To my Brother Scouters and Guiders

CECIL RHODES said at the end of his life (and I, in my turn feel the truth of it) 'So much to do and so little time to do it.'

No one can hope to see the consummation, as well as the start, of a big venture within the short span of one lifetime.

I have had an extraordinary experience in seeing the development of Scouting from its beginning up to its present stage. But there is a vast job before it. The Movement is only now getting into its stride.

(When I speak of Scouting I include in it Guiding also.)

The one part which I can claim as mine towards promoting the Movement is that I have been lucky enough to find you men and women to form a group of the right stamp who can be relied upon to carry it on to its goal.

You will do well to keep your eyes open, in your turn, for worthy successors to whom you can, with confidence, hand on the torch.

Don't let it become a salaried organisation; keep it a voluntary movement of patriotic service.

The Movement has already, in the comparatively short period of its existence, established itself on to a wide and so strong a footing as to show most encouraging promise of what may be possible to it in the coming years.

Its aim is to produce healthy, happy, helpful citizens, of both sexes, to eradicate the prevailing narrow self-interest, personal, political, sectarian and national, and to substitute for it a broader spirit of self-sacrifice and service in the cause of humanity; and thus to develop mutual goodwill and co-operation not only within our own country but abroad, between all countries.

Experience shows that this consummation is no idle or fantastic dream, but is a practicable possibility—if we work for it; and it means, when attained, peace, prosperity and happiness for all.

The 'encouraging promise' lies in the fact that the hundreds of thousands of boys and girls who are learning our ideals today will be the fathers and mothers of millions in the near future, in whom they will in turn inculcate the same ideals—*provided that these are really and unmistakably impressed upon them by their leaders of today.*

Therefore you, who are Scouters and Guiders, are not only doing a great work for your neighbours' children but are also helping in practical fashion to bring to pass God's Kingdom of peace and goodwill upon earth. So, from my heart, I wish you God-speed in your effort.

ROBERT BADEN-POWELL.

(This farewell note was found after the Founder's death in 1941 and must have been written before he became a peer in 1929.)



A sketch by the Founder to illustrate his maxim 'Look Wide'

NEW YEAR HONOURS: We offer our heartiest congratulations to Mrs. J. Leech, Commissioner for Bechuanaland Protectorate, who has been awarded the M.B.E. and to Miss A. M. Maynard who has received the O.B.E. (See page 45.) Mrs. Leech has done valuable pioneer work in helping to start Guide Companies in isolated districts of Basutoland.

She is visiting England this spring when we shall hope to publish more news of her work.

H.M. THE QUEEN'S VISIT TO WINDSOR WORLD CAMP: Just as this issue went to press we were all delighted to hear that H.M. The Queen will honour the Centenary World Camp by a visit on 4th August.

*The Astronomer's Badge: (See also October, 1956 issue)*

## The More Important Stars

by Walter Leach, F.R.M.S.

**A**LTHOUGH only a second magnitude star, Polaris must be regarded as an 'important star' because of the extent to which it is used for direction finding, being only  $1^\circ$  from true North to any observer on the earth. It is also interesting as a 'binary' and because it is a 'variable' star, in that it is not constant in the brightness of the light it sends us. This may be due to the relative movement of the stars which together constitute 'the North Star,' but this is only one of the causes of variation in the brightness of stars.

If we look at Ursa Major, The Great Bear, or The Waggon and Horses, we can easily pick out Mizar, the second of the 'horses.' This is another binary star, seventy-two light years distant from us, and quite small telescopes will enable us to identify the two separate components, which are almost equal in size. But on any clear night a tiny star called Alcor can also be seen quite close to Mizar. The ancient Arabs used to call this the 'test star' because ability to see it was the test for good vision. We might like to note in passing, that light takes ninety days to travel from one companion of Mizar to the other, in comparison with eight minutes from the sun to us, or four and a quarter years from the nearest star to us.

If we look to the North of Orion, the hunter, we see Gemini, the Heavenly Twins, with the famous twin stars of Castor and Pollux at the head of the rectangle which forms this constellation. The Ecliptic, the path of sun, moon, and planets, passes diagonally across the centre of this constellation. Castor and Pollux are both well known first magnitude stars, and Castor is another binary, but requiring a telescope to reveal the two components. These are then seen to have a small faint red companion which is also a binary, all four stars making up what we call Castor. Castor is a bright white star whilst Pollux is deep yellow, intimating that whilst the temperature of Pollux is not far from  $5,000^\circ$ , that of Castor must be nearer to  $20,000^\circ$ . The temperature of the sun, in comparison, is in the region of  $6,000^\circ$ .

When we were considering Sirius, it was mentioned that Ptolemy referred to it as a red star. Two famous red stars are Betelgeuse in the constellation of Orion, and Aldebaran in Taurus, the bull. Both are easily found. Look at Orion, and Betelgeuse is the hunter's right shoulder, i.e., the bright red star to the left, and well above the belt of three equal

stars. To the North East of Orion is Taurus, with Aldebaran at the top left hand corner of a letter 'V' of fainter stars, and almost due East of Betelgeuse.

These huge red giants are some 200 to 300 million miles in diameter. That is, the diameter of these stars is similar to the diameter of the orbit of the planet Mars. But whilst we found the white dwarf Sirius B to be exceptionally dense, so we now find that these red giants really consist of thin red hot gas and it is safe to say that these are much 'younger' stars or that they are stars in the making. Some day they will shrink, become orange and then yellow, and finally white when they have become dwarfs giving out much more light than they do now. They are only about half the temperature of the sun and whatever other stars have planets revolving round them it is extremely unlikely that these red giants have, although some day they might supply some for another star.

Betelgeuse is 1,600 times as bright as the sun and is 240 light years away, whilst Aldebaran is only about a fifth of that distance but is rushing away at the speed of 30 miles per second, or 180,000 miles per hour, and this makes no perceptible difference at the great distance it already is from us, in a mere thousand years!

The next, much fainter, star to Aldebaran in the letter 'V' is a 'double star,' not strictly a binary with the components revolving round each other, but visibly a pair of stars to those with particularly good sight or with any optical aid.



All readers will wish to send greetings to the World Chief Guide on the 22nd February. She is seen here at a reception given by the Indian Community at Livingstone on 10th December 1956. On the extreme right is the Hon. Mrs. Gervas Clay, Commissioner for Northern Rhodesia



## The Founder and his Family

by E. K. Wade

WRITING in 1922 in *Rovering to Success* the Founder said :

*'Have you ever read Rudyard Kipling's story "They"? I read it long before I was married, away out in the bush in Africa. What went home to me was not the delightful description of English scenery, of the old-world home and garden, etc., but where the man imagined that he felt the clinging of little children's fingers to his hand.'*

And again, at the end of his autobiography, *Lessons from the Varsity of Life*, he mentioned among the brighter spots in his happy life—

*'a little warm hand dragging me down till her two arms can reach round my neck, when with a soft moist kiss she whispers; "Just one more good-night story, Daddy".'*

The Founder was indeed an inveterate lover of children and this truth is vital for us all because, had it not been for his deep sympathy with, and understanding of, the child mind, he would surely never have taken on the formidable task of establishing the Scout and Guide movement. Nor, in the unlikely event of his doing so, could he have made a success of it.

Throughout all his years as a young soldier, living

a busy social life when off duty, and with hosts of acquaintances, he always had numbers of child friends who gave him their fullest confidence and with whom he felt completely at home. He loved to tease them, to 'be funny' for their benefit, to write and draw for them and many older people today treasure such letters and sketches.

When the Siege of Mafeking brought the name of Baden-Powell prominently before the public and letters poured in by every post, an extraordinarily large number of these were from children, both known and unknown to him

*'Dear Colonel Baden-Powell,'* wrote a nine-year old, *'I think you are the hero of the Army. You ought to be plasted all over with medals and made Governor-General of Australia.'*

Another little girl named her foal after him and another her tame mouse :

*'I thought you would like to hear about a little mouse that I have, he is black and white and I have named him after you. On the day that Mafeking was relieved we gave B.-P. double rations and ornamented his cage with flags.'*

The picture above was taken at Gilwell and shows Lord and Lady Baden-Powell with Peter, Heather (left) and Betty

I will only quote one more as giving, *inter alia*, a description of Mafeking night :

*'Two little girls are writing to tell you how glad they are that you are free and have got something to eat again. We only knew last night and all the bells began to ring and all the people went mad. We have got a big Union Jack out and nearly every shop has one. A pony had drawers on made of Union Jacks but I don't think it liked it.'*

Until 1912, when he married, the Founder made the most of his nephews and niece with whom he was immensely popular.

Even after his engagement, when his fiancée was anxiously awaiting his return from a long world tour, he stayed in England only one day and then went off to Norway with Donald because, as he explained, he had promised to take him fishing there and could not let him down.

This same nephew, though far too young to be a Scout, had been present in the capacity of 'orderly' at the first Scout camp on Brownsea Island, and, being lost one day, was found fast asleep under his own pillow!

With his marriage in 1912 and the birth of Peter, a year later, began the happiest years of the Founder's life; now he felt that he had everything that a man could want.

Here is a portrait of Peter as I first remember him. He had, and has, carrotty hair, a freckled face, and an impish smile—a smile that was always forthcoming through a babyhood not always free from pain and trouble. But Peter came safely through his infant troubles and grew up into a tough and healthy Scout.

Ewhurst Place, where he spent his early life, and where his sister Heather was born in 1915, and Betty in 1917, was a pleasant country house on the borders of Kent and East Sussex, overlooking Bodiam Castle. If you wished to visit the Chiefs in those days you took a train to Robertsbridge and there changed on to a funny little light railway known as the 'Kent and East Sussex' which ran from Robertsbridge to Headcorn. Alighting at Bodiam, an intermediate station, you either walked up to the house by a short cut through fields and lanes or were carried in 'Jimmy,' the little Standard runabout which was so useful to the Chief in days when chauffeurs were

away fighting.

Heather, like Peter, was a red-head, but Betty was a Brownie—an old-fashioned looking little black-haired doll and I associate her less with Ewhurst than with the next home of the B.-P.s, to which they moved shortly after her arrival—Little Mynthurst Farm, a tiny, old-world, half timbered house dating from Elizabethan times near Horley, in Surrey.

Peter was six, Heather four, and Betty not yet two when the family moved again. For a long time the

Chiefs had been looking for the perfect home for their little family and the search had continued until the year of the Armistice when they lighted upon a house at Bentley in Hampshire and changed its name from Blackacre to Pax Hill—to signify the beginning of the [hoped-for] peace.

Pax Hill is the only home that the children really remember, and it was for twenty years the happiest of homes. To them, with delighted greetings, the

Chiefs returned after long days, weeks, or even months of absence spent in the service of their larger family the Scouts and Guides.

In those days the Chief Guide especially was torn almost in two between the claims of home and of work. A long tour in India in 1920-21, and a visit to the States in the following year, meant long and dreary absences from the beloved family; but the work was waiting for them and no one else could do it, so off they went.

Peter was early taught the things that a good Wolf Cub must know. He cooked his first damper in the little rookery wood adjoining the garden. Other lessons were not quite so easy. He was playing football with his father on the lawn one evening when a whistle from the nursery window announced bedtime. Peter went on with his game. At last his father reminded him that 'the Cub gives in to the Old Wolf.' 'Yes, I know,' said Peter wisely, 'Nursie is an old wolf but you are an older wolf still so I am giving in to you.'

As soon as age allowed Peter was duly enrolled into the village Pack which met once a week in the Bentley Village Hall with Mrs. Eggar as their Cub-master. At eight he was sent to Mr. Pooley's Preparatory School, Dane Court at Pyrford, where he



(L. to r.) The Chief Guide, Heather B.-P. (now the Hon. Mrs. King) and the Founder at Pax Hill

continued his Cub training and later became a Scout.

Meantime Heather and Betty were learning at home. 'Nursie' handed them over to 'Gammy,' a devoted nursery governess who, in her turn, was succeeded by 'Penny,' who prepared them for school, trained them as Girl Guides in the Bentley Company, and encouraged them in nature lore, gardening and country dancing.

Riding remained their favourite occupation and they always had ponies. 'Ride-walks,' with their parents and two or three dogs, were the order of every possible day.

Both girls liked writing and drawing and have always kept diaries. Heather began to draw horses at a very early age and later to model them. Like her father she could write equally well with either hand.

When the next long journey round Africa loomed before the Chiefs they decided that they just could not bear another long absence from the family. There were two alternatives. To forgo the journey—but it was a critical moment for the Scout movement in South Africa—or to take the family with them. They decided on the second and Peter was snatched from Dane Court, Heather and Betty joyfully threw lessons to the winds and the whole family sailed for South Africa together. On arrival the children were sent to schools at the Cape while the Chiefs toured the continent, and at Christmas came the happy holidays when they all forgathered at Gordon's Bay for a delightful 'summer/Christmas' holiday, spent mainly on the beach and in the sea.

When Peter went to Charterhouse—his father's old school—his travels were limited to holiday times but the girls had another delightful voyage with their parents when, in the *Duchess of Richmond*, they visited the Canaries and Sierra Leone on a round cruise. At St. James' School, Malvern, Heather continued her Guiding and eventually became Head of the School. Betty went to Westonbirt for a few terms and later joined Heather at St. James's. Both girls studied shorthand and became proficient typists for they realised that the best way of avoiding the long partings which they all disliked was to make themselves indispensable to their parents.

In the meantime Peter had followed his father's footsteps and joined the Police in Southern Rhodesia. In 1936 he married Carine Boardman, whose great-grandfather, the Rev. William Boardman, had led a party of 1820 settlers from England to the

Cape, and there founded a family. Peter's and Carine's three children were born in the country where his own father had spent so many years of soldiering and scouting and which was his last home. Like the Chiefs, Peter and Carine share a birthday—on 30th October.

Coincidence has always dogged the footsteps of the B.-P.s. In the same year—1936—returning with her parents from a world tour, Betty met on board ship a young man called Gervas Clay and became engaged to him. It seems hardly credible but is a fact that Gervas and Betty also share a birthday. Their board ship meeting and engagement also seemed to reflect the earlier courtship of the B.-P.s. aboard the *Arcadian*.

Gervas and Betty were married in Bentley church in September, 1936, and sailed for Northern Rhodesia, where Gervas was a District Commissioner. Their four children were all born and brought up in that country.

And what of Heather? She was fortunately able to accompany her parents on yet one more long journey—to India in 1937, where, in addition to a great Scout Jamboree at Delhi, the Founder attended the last mounted parade of his old Regiment, the 13th/18th Hussars, on the eve of its mechanisation. He was also able to watch, from the back of an elephant, the race for the Kadir Cup, that 'blue ribbon' of pig-sticking, which he himself had won in 1883.

Heather also accompanied the Chiefs to Holland for the Founder's last world Jamboree in August, 1937, and was the organising Secretary of a Scouters' and Guiders' cruise to Iceland, Norway, Denmark and Belgium in the following year.

Then came the time for her father to give up active Scouting and to settle for his last years at Paxtu, in Nyeri, Kenya. Here he had two of his children and all his grandchildren to date, if not actually near at hand, at any rate in the same continent; and in 1939 they all visited him and Heather, who was serving in the W.R.A.C. at home, flew out to Kenya to complete the family party at Nyeri. A year later she married John King of the Royal Air Force.

Although it is still difficult to think of our Chief Guide as a grandmother she has, in fact, nine grandchildren and to end this article I will list them here.

Peter and Carine are the parents of Robert, David and Wendy.

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Three generations of B.-P.s.—Peter, his son, Robert, and the Founder

## From the Trainers' Notebooks

# Ideas for Companies and Packs

### Shopping Basket (Kim's Game)

During patrol time, allow each patrol to have the Shopping Basket for 3 minutes. It contains 10 packets from the kitchen cupboard (empty ones will do, provided they are complete): Corn Flakes, cocoa, tea, coffee, flour, a jam jar, paste pot, etc. Guides may take these out, handle and look at them.

Later in the meeting 30 questions are asked such as:

- 'What recipes are given on the cocoa tin?'
- 'What country do the sardines come from?'
- 'What colours are used on the sugar packet?'

These can be answered either individually or in patrols. After scores have been counted, Guides should have an opportunity to look at the things again to check the information.

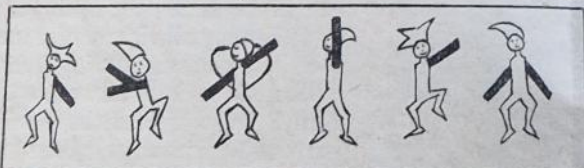
### All-In Kim

When playing any form of Kim's Game where questions have to be answered, write each question on a separate slip of paper. Instead of reading questions out, give one slip to each player. Everyone then moves freely about the room, each Guide asking her question to all the others and trying to answer those which they, in return, put to her. Each Guide should keep her score by jotting down the numbers from 1 to 20 (or however many questions are being used) in her own notebook; each time she answers a question successfully the asker initials that number. It is essential that questions should be promptly answered and that no second chances are given—otherwise this method takes too long but it does introduce movement and a change from written answers.

S.B.

### Semaphore Words

On coloured gummed paper draw Brownie emblem figures about 3 in. high and let the Brownies cut these out (6 per Six). These are stuck on a long



The Brownie emblem figures are about 3 in. high with matchstick arms.

piece of cardboard, side by side but leaving sufficient room between each for matchstick arms to be placed against each figure.

Each Six is given 12 matches and a different word of not more than 6 letters which they make on the card with the use of the matchsticks. On completing this, they run to read the words made by the other Sixes. Immediately they have done this they sit in

a circle in their own corners.

Winners are the first to make and read the words correctly.

D.H.

### Look—and Copy

This stalking and observation game is a good introduction to real bird watching. Each patrol is provided with an outline drawing of a bird and a box of crayons. A Guider holds up a coloured picture of a bird. Each patrol sends up one Guide at a time to study the picture, return and fill in the colour of some part of the bird. The stalkers need not be hidden, but if they make a noise or sudden movement the Guider moves away, as a bird would when disturbed. After an agreed time, the patrols' pictures are judged on their accuracy. This game is best played in a wood, but it could also be played in a clubroom in winter.

M.M.W.

### Patrol Observation Competition

This competition improves a Guide's knowledge of the neighbourhood and her observation and takes very little time. Each P.L. asks every Guide in her Patrol to notice on her way to the company meeting something that nobody else will notice—a cart without a wheel, something odd in a shop window, a church with a certain number of windows. When the Patrol meets the ideas are pooled and the best chosen. At the end of the meeting this is passed on to another Patrol as a challenge. Specially painted red beans are used for scoring—2 for the first Patrol and 1 for any other Patrol which finds its object within ten minutes. After ten minutes the Patrols scatter and go home and any Patrol which has still not found its object keeps its eyes open all the week. If they haven't found the object by the next Company meeting the bean is forfeited.

M.H.

### Golden Bar Sewing

Attractive sitting mats for Pow Wow, etc., can be made by the Brownies to protect their uniforms from dusty floors (care of uniforms and hygiene comes in here). A clean square of sacking can be turned down all round and a hem worked in coloured wools, using decorative tacking stitches. Any design can be embroidered on the mat and can include Six emblem, rhyme, Brownies' initials, toadstool, etc., this gives a chance for variety.

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## The World Good Turn

# Growing Flowers or Vegetables—II

PHYLLIS WHITFIELD offers more hints to pass on to Guides and Brownies

**N**OW for the fun of planning your garden. What are you going to grow? Vegetables? Flowers? Or both?

If you can borrow a seed catalogue you can plan much more easily, as you are able to look through it and put down the names of all the flowers you would like to grow. This list will probably be far too long, and you will not have room or money for half of it, but in this way you will get flowers of the height and colour you want.

For those of you who have flower-pots or window-boxes to plant up, your choice is rather limited, as you have not enough depth of soil to grow anything tall. Do remember to sow your seeds sparingly, and thin out the seedlings as soon as they are large enough to handle. Most people have poor results with annuals because they let them grow too close together.

The following seeds will grow quite well in pots or boxes. Calendula (marigold), echiums, nasturtium, mignonette, dwarf larkspur, virginia stock. The calendula and nasturtium seeds you can push into the soil with a finger, but the small seeds only want covering very lightly with fine soil. It is not very easy to keep the soil the right dampness, as seedlings soon wither if neglected and left to get too dry. You need not have a watering can for flower-pots and window-boxes. A small sprinkler that you put into the top of a bottle for damping clothes is all you need, and it is better than pouring water out of a jug. Be sure that the soil is damp right through and not just on the top, otherwise the roots will get very little nourishment.

You can also grow lettuce, radishes, and french beans very well in boxes or pots, but do give them plenty of room; you will get a much better crop if they are not overcrowded. If you grow lettuce, be sure they are the cabbage variety and globe radishes.

Now for those who have a garden. Plan carefully where the flowers and vegetables are to go and do not have them too mixed up, though parsley always makes a good edging, even for flowers. Before you plant anything, the ground needs raking down well so that it is nice and fine for the small seeds. You may have to wait some time before you can do this, as unless your ground is light and sandy never walk about on it if it is wet as you will make it too solid and hard.

Here is a list of vegetables and flowers you could grow.

### Vegetables

Lettuce, french beans, radishes, dwarf peas, stump rooted carrots, kidney beans (if you can get a few long stakes). Of course there are always potatoes but unless you have a lot of space I should leave these out, as they take up too much room.

### Flowers

There are plenty of these to choose from, both dwarf and medium height—larkspur, calendula, love-in-the-mist, echium (blue and pink), candy tuft, sweet peas. All packets of seeds tell you when, and how deep, to sow them, and generally how far apart the plants need to be. You may also be able to get some plants to put out, such as sweet williams, lupins, pansies, asters (dwarf ones). You might be able to share some flower seeds, as

there will probably be far too many of one sort in the packets, and it is always fun to try several kinds.

Try not to be led away by the wonderful illustrations on each packet, as some of them are quite difficult to grow. Each year I try to grow aquilegia (this is not an annual) and hardly ever succeed, as the seedlings are very minute and do want a damp and light soil.

Good luck to your planting, and for those of you who are growing flowers for the first time, I hope it will be 'beginner's luck.' What about planting some old person's garden for them, then both they and you will enjoy the result, as well as the people who pass by? In this way many more people will enjoy your good turn. By the way, older Guides would be interested in 'Home Grown' on the Home Service at 2 p.m. on Sundays.

### Urgent correction

#### Candle Holder for Thinking Day Ceremony

In the diagram illustrated on page 31 of the January GUIDER will Guiders please note that there should be no tail to the candle-holder on the right hand side. The candle goes through a hole in the centre and if it is held firmly between the 1st and 2nd fingers of each hand or the 2nd and 3rd there should be no danger of fire. The trefoil shaped piece of cardboard is merely to catch any drips of candle grease and is *not* a holder.



Remind Brownies the soil should be damp right through

## Repairs in the Home

by Selena Thomas

**N**O good home is complete without a First Aid box or cupboard kept in a convenient place and known to all members of the household. In the same way, our houses need First Aid and therefore no home should be without a tool box, kept in a place known to all the residents. Some of the essentials in the tool box include a hammer, pincers, screwdriver, hacksaw, gimlet or bradawl, sandpaper, an adjustable spanner, a tin of vaseline, fusewire, a selection of screws and nails, a roll of insulating tape and a bottle of lubricating oil.

When your company is discussing good turns why not throw out the suggestion that Guides could mend something that is torn, worn or broken. It is an opportunity, too, to suggest that every Guide should know where to turn off, in an emergency, the electricity, gas or water.

Having made the point about the need for a tool box here are a few suggestions to pass on to your Guides.

The Yale lock on the front door may need oiling. Before oiling the key make sure it is clean, then put a drop of lubricating oil on to the key, insert it into the lock and give it several turns. The hinges of the door may need oiling and perhaps the screws want tightening. Look round at the window catches and screws—perhaps you can stop a window squeaking by oiling the hinges.

The front and back gate will need oiling more often than the house doors. Regular attention will save builders' repairs.

If a drawer is stiff to open or close take it out and rub soap along the bottom ridges.

When a tap drips and needs a new washer be sure to have a hot water or cold water washer, whichever is applicable.

To remove stains on a polished table smear dark tan polish on the stain and leave for about half an hour and then polish. Bad stains will need several treatments.

## The Windsor World Camp



**A** CCEPTANCES from overseas guests have now reached 1,500 and the last letters to reach C.H.Q. as THE GUIDER was going to press came from The Philippines, who are sending a patrol, and from Liberia, who are hoping to send six delegates. No national organisation has at present been established in Liberia (although this country was a founder member of the World Association in 1928) but in the autumn of 1955 Miss Margaret Pilkington visited Liberia on behalf of the World Association. Her contacts with many of the leading people interested in youth work, and with students at schools and universities, gave them an awareness of the possibilities of Guiding. In December some of the potential leaders were invited to a Training Camp in Sierra Leone and it is hoped before long a national organisation will be established in Liberia.

**Open Days:** The Windsor World Camp will be open to members of the movement and non-members of the movement on Monday, 5th August from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. It will be open to members of the Guide Movement only on Tuesday, 6th August from 2 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

**Charges of admission:** Adult non-members of the movement ... 2s. 0d.

All members of the movement in uniform and members of the Trefoil Guild and Local Association ... 6d.

All children in uniform ... 9d.

Car Park ... 2s. 6d.

(No tickets for the open days are available in advance.)

**The Camp Finale** will take place on Tuesday, 6th August, at 7.30 p.m. and will be open to members of the movement. Admission 6d.

Applications for tickets for the Camp Finale should be made as soon as possible to the Organising Secretary, Windsor World Camp, Girl Guides Association, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London, S.W.1. As the numbers must be limited each county will be rationed to 400 places until 1st May, 1957. When making applications please state county and mark envelope 'Camp Finale.' Do not send any money with first application.

**The Windsor Camp Certificate of attendance** may be bought for 2d. at the Camp by every member of the movement who is either camping in one of the groups or who visits the camp. The certificates will be stamped with the Windsor World Camp Seal.

MILDRED MODE, *World Travelling Commissioner, Pacific Area*, tells us why the *Thinking Day Fund* needs

## A Towering Wave of Pennies

A GIRL Scout leader wrote me recently: 'Girl Scouting is like a green bud symbolizing the bright future of Okinawa\*.' This poetically expressed thought is echoed over and over in the minds and hearts of many people in our Movement, dreaming of the future they envisage unfolding within their own countries, here in the Pacific area.

In oriental countries particularly, only in comparatively recent years have women received the privileges of voting and of having a share in local and national governments; volunteer service given to community activities is slowly becoming recognized as a fitting contribution that women can make in addition to their responsibilities to home and family; the necessity and values of improved educational opportunities for girls and women are gradually growing in acceptance. All of these developments have opened the eyes of women to a larger concept of the world in which they live, and their imaginations are fired with the possibilities ahead.

Perhaps it is for these reasons, as well as others, that faithful groups of Guides and Scouts have persevered in spite of war, difficult economic conditions and age-old traditional concepts of women's place in the scheme of things. I am thinking especially of Korea, Japan, Okinawa and Borneo as I write this and some of this would be true in relation to The Philippines as well. And then there are the lovely but lonely islands of the South Pacific which have managed to have fine Guide companies



Will there be Brownie packs in Korea waiting for these children to join?

and Brownie packs despite the infrequency of mails and contacts with the outside world.

After having visited these places, and also Australia and New Zealand, and having noted the wide variety of cultures and conditions, there comes to me a fresh revelation of the universal appeal of Baden-Powell's 'game,' of its deep meaning and inspiration in the lives of so many people, and of our basic similarities wherever we may live. One of my happiest privileges as Travelling Commissioner is to deliver messages of goodwill and friendship from country to country, for it is through these that Guides and Scouts express their devotion to the 4th Law and their longing for the world to be a friendly place.

Without the help of the Thinking Day Fund very little of this would have been possible. Is it not, therefore, a wonderful thought that the contributions of packs and companies of the British Isles, joining with those of other countries, have given a very real helping hand to others where the Movement is new and in need of assistance? Trainer-organizers from Canada, Australia and the United States have been sent on your behalf by the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts to Japan, Korea and The Philippines. The last named is now a full member of the World Association and was hostess to a regional World Centenary Camp during January, the first gathering of its kind in the Pacific Area. Japan is a Tenderfoot member, and Korea is drawing very close to that status. Now *their* members are giving their centavos, yen and hwan to the Thinking Day fund so that others will be bene-



Miss Mildred Mode (left) watches Japanese Guides demonstrating emergency cooking methods.

*\*Okinawa, an island in the Ryukyus Chain south of Japan, currently administered by U.S.A. for the United Nations.*

fited in turn—the best kind of ‘chain reaction.’ The appointment of a Travelling Commissioner for this area is also made possible by the Fund.

All of this is only a portion of the world-wide story that the World Bureau constantly tells about the use of the Thinking Day Fund, and when I think of how small the Fund actually is (although it has grown considerably in recent years), I marvel at the judicious planning that has ‘stretched’ it to produce the vital effects, spiritual and material, it has had on generations of Guides and Scouts everywhere. Were we, each one of us, to promote and interpret the Fund consistently, how much sooner would we bring the Movement to the thousands who are wistfully longing to join—NOW! Yet, I have visited many companies where blank faces have been raised when the Fund was mentioned. Several

Guiders and Commissioners have told me: ‘We are so occupied with Second Class and everything else that we hardly have time for the international side of Guiding.’ Knowing the busy lives of everyone today, I can appreciate that situation. But I still would make a heartfelt plea that at least a few minutes of one or two company or pack meetings each year be devoted to telling your girls about the wonderful work *they* are doing (or could be doing!) through the Thinking Day Fund. A simple programme, a ceremony, an ‘armchair journey’ will help make international Guiding and their own potential part in it more real to them. Then, to do the work that cries out to be done, many more pennies and shillings would roll in. We could use a towering wave of them!

## ‘A Song at Close of Day’ by Mary Chater

**W**HATEVER plans we make for keeping our Founder’s Centenary, the year 1957 must be a year of song. Many people have made up their minds about this and have written to ask ‘What songs shall we be singing in 1957?’ They will naturally choose what suits their own taste and circumstances, but they will be glad to know that an inexpensive souvenir book of songs is being prepared and that this will contain a varied selection of songs specially recommended. They will have been chosen with big camp fire gatherings in mind, those with mixed selections of singers from various countries, who want to raise their voices and join in without previous practice or the learning of many words.

You will therefore find a large number of rounds, mostly easy and effective. These include ‘Rise up, O Flame,’ ‘Rosen fra Fyen,’ (C.F.S.), ‘O How Lovely’ (C.F.S.), Derry Ding Ding Dason, (R & C), and, as a tribute to our royal camp site, the ‘Queen’s Grace’ (C.F.S.).

There are songs with refrains from England, Scotland and Ireland and a well known evening hymn from Wales. France and Germany are represented in their own languages, by the lovely ‘Claire Fontaine’ and ‘Ich armes welches teufflein’ (I.S.).

From the Commonwealth come ‘Kookaburra’ (I.S.), ‘Hoki, Hoki,’ ‘Sarie Mare,’ ‘Kangra Lament,’ (all in Overseas Song Book) besides the Bengali Nursery Rhyme already printed in THE GUIDE.

The New World is represented by ‘Whippoorwill’ (I.S.) and ‘All Night, all Day,’ and the Guide movement contributes ‘The Chief,’ ‘The Guide Marching Song’ and the Chalet and World Songs.

Many will be renewing distant memories and will joyfully revive for themselves older favourites which do not appear owing to restrictions of space. We have had to select songs with an instant appeal to a wide variety of people and, moreover, songs which represent one particular area of the Guiding world, if not every individual country.

There is one genuine old scouting song, the ‘Swazi Warrior’ in the form best known to many of us. This is very appropriate for illustrating scenes from the past.

I hope this foretaste will give people a chance to practise some of the songs already available and will whet their appetite for the others. There is a real need in this country for an attractive, gaily coloured book containing a wide variety of camp fire songs which is equally suitable for use at home, and for presentation to friends from other countries.

### Thinking Day Exhibition at C.H.Q.

IF YOU will be in London on any day between 15th-28th February do come to the Thinking Day exhibition. This year it will be based on the four countries where Regional World Camps are to be held—the Philippines, Canada, Switzerland and Great Britain. Guide Companies and Brownie Packs are specially welcome.

Admission is free and at certain times of the day films and slides will be shown. On Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays the exhibition will be open from 11.30 a.m. to 5 p.m., on Fridays from 11.30 a.m. to 8.45 p.m. and on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

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# 'The Carpenter'

I WAS passing through the 'military phase' when I first met her. My beau ideal was an 'officer' who wore the prescribed 'gloves brown leather with gauntlets' halfway up to the elbow, and the crash of her heels as she sprang to attention could be heard from Wellington Barracks to Poonah.

When therefore my mother told me that 'the best Guide in the Movement' was coming to luncheon I conjured up a vision of a super-sergeant-major, albeit in petticoats.

I polished my face, twisted my usually untidy hair into an uncompromising plait and marched (I never walked in those days) into the dining room to be greeted by — Miss Maynard.

I wonder if she guessed what a bitter disappointment she was to me on this occasion? For nobody could have appeared less like the sergeant-major of my dreams.

With the passing of the military phase I came to appreciate the Carpenter as the most refreshing person in the Movement. She came often to our house and I camped with her many times and on every occasion she produced some original and intriguing idea. It might be a gadget—half-invented—to measure the velocity of the wind; or a trek-cart that turned into a sleeping apartment; or a boat you could carry around in a haversack.

I have happy recollections of the experiments leading up to the last item. We had a family camp near the lake at Wisley, Surrey, one summer, of which Miss Maynard was an indispensable member. She arrived with yards of pink jaconet and a bundle of canes which she proceeded to transform into a singular type of collapsible canoe. Every morning, in bathing dresses, we waded happily through the lakeside mud and shoved her off in her frail craft. The only thing that really worked was the collapsible part. So every morning we walked back again through the woods, munching the excellent dog biscuits with which she regaled us, and discussing possible improvements in ship-building.

The highlight was Bank Holiday when thousands of trippers watched the experiments from the main road which runs beside the lake.

'Coo! She's a brave one!' remarked a Cockney

with admiration as the umpteenth shipwreck took place.

She was indeed a courageous pioneer. Did she not start a company among the 'difficult girls' of her school, with *Scouting for Boys* as a guide, before the female part of the Movement was born? And run camps while Headquarters was still issuing portentous warnings on the dangers of letting girls sleep under canvas? She wrote, too, what is currently our official handbook *Be Prepared*. With all her experimenting she has kept closer than anyone else to the Founder's original ideas and we rejoice that now, in Centenary Year, Her Majesty has recognised her services by conferring on her the Order of the British Empire, for Guiding owes more to 'The Carpenter' than can be easily told—not least that she has never allowed anyone within her sphere—and how wide that is—to develop into a routine-minded sergeant-major!



Miss A. M. Maynard, O.B.E.

ALIX LIDDELL

(*'The Carpenter' was a nickname given to Miss Maynard by the Founder because, to quote her first Lieutenant, Miss Evelyn Archer, 'she was always doing something, capably, with her hands.'*—Ed.)

## THE GUIDE CLUB

THERE IS still time to join the Guide Club and pay no entrance fee, which has been waived until the end of March, 1957. Membership is open to all members with a present or past association with the Guide movement throughout the world, including members of the Trefoil Guild, the Local Association. Lady Cubmasters are also eligible for membership.

The annual subscription is 4 guineas and for Junior Members (18-22) £2 12s. 6d. The following subscriptions are payable by Overseas Members: 10s. 6d. per annum, plus 7s. 6d. per month when in London. Luncheon Members £1 1s. a year.

The Club is 2½ minutes from Hyde Park Corner. The amenities include writing room, library, drawing rooms and dining room and television.

For full particulars please write to the Secretary, The Guide Club, 46 Belgrave Square, London, S.W.1. (Telephone: Sloane 8102.)

## *The Commissioners' Meeting Place*

# **The Guider's Warrant Test—IV**

by Iris Morrison

When the District Commissioner visits the Company during the Guider's Warrant test she will notice if the equipment was kept in an orderly way, if it was clean, suitable and adequate for real, practical training and if the Guides had been taught to look after it themselves.

### **Lieutenant's Job**

Lieutenant should have her full share in the planning and running of the Company, and should have been used in various ways during the meeting, the two Guiders co-operating well together. When Captain is in charge there are always things that Lieutenant can be asked to do—helping with the scoring, checking correctness, teaching those who do not know, taking subscriptions and marking the Roll Book. There should be some time, too, when the Company is handed over to Lieutenant for some activity or other, when she has the full responsibility herself. At no time should Captain allow Lieutenant to be just a 'wallflower'!

### **After the Meeting**

At some time after the meeting, either that evening or later on, the Commissioner should go through the meeting with the Guider, point by point. It will be a great help to the Guider to know both her strong and weak points and she will appreciate help with the latter. It might be necessary for the Commissioner to come back in a few weeks to

see again anything that was not up to warrant standard. If a warrant paper is given after the visit a question might be set to help the Guider to achieve more knowledge, or clarify her mind on some weak point. This type of question is a valuable one.

On her arrival home the Commissioner should write up her impressions of the Company in her District notebook so that next time she visits the Company she can look back at her notes and notice the Company's progress.

**Note.** Throughout these articles the warrant test for a Captain has been in mind, but the warrant test for the Lieutenant should include most points mentioned except the keeping of the records. Lieutenant should, however, know how to keep accounts, the Roll Book and the rest of the records should Captain be away. Her understanding of how to maintain discipline when she is on her own, and the handling of the Company through the Patrol System, is a most important part, and, as she will share in the teaching of test work, her standard of knowledge and practical teaching should be high.

It is essential, too, that Lieutenant should be developing the qualities mentioned in Part 1 under 'the Guider herself.' Although she normally does not have the full responsibility of the Company, she should show from her warrant test that she is responsible and able enough to do this should Captain not be able to attend the meeting.

## **The Juliette Low World Friendship Fund**

**T**HE Juliette Low World Friendship Fund was started by voluntary contributions to commemorate the life of the Founder of the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. and now, thirty years after the death of Juliette Low, Girl Scouts from every part of the United States continue to give voluntary donations to this fund which keeps green the memory of one whose name to the Girl Scouts of America means almost as much as that of B.-P.

The best known scheme sponsored by this Fund is the annual Juliette Low Session at Our Chalet when some twenty to thirty Rangers or Cadets of many different nationalities meet together for three weeks to learn about each other's countries, customs and problems, and to participate in a programme of adventurous Guiding. It has also promoted very many international exchanges at various levels, and has, as its name suggests, been the means of establishing a better understanding between young people

of different countries and of forming many international friendships. Donations are often made to help in the development of Girl Scouting and Girl Guiding in countries where the movement is just starting, or being carried on in extremely difficult circumstances. B.-P.'s genius and Juliette Low's tremendous enthusiasm were responsible for the initial success that the Movement had in the U.S.A. for, having met the Founder and having been a Guider in Great Britain, she was quick to see the enormous appeal that Guiding would have for the young people of America.

In 1912 Juliette Low started the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. which now number over two and a half million—all of them keenly interested in the Juliette Low World Friendship Fund which distributes over 160,000 dollars annually and to which many in Great Britain owe the chance of travelling abroad and of making friends in all parts of the world.

## Out of Doors—II

by E. D. Tinne

THE 2nd Class test requires a Guide to *'Recognise twelve living things and observe something of interest about each.'*

'Observe' and 'Interest' are the key words here and interest must come first. Observation is a habit that can be acquired and can grow. So can a sense of wonder and an appreciation of beauty. Perhaps Brownies are easier to interest in the outdoor world than Guides and if you have a Brownie that has kept her inborn sense of wonder do your best to foster and cherish it. A Brownie who is keen on birds and beasts, trees and flowers is likely to keep that interest not only through her Guiding but all through life.

### Observing the sky

Evenings are still too dark in February to plan any part of the meeting out of doors but there is a bit of outdoor observation that is possible.

Pause a moment outside the clubroom after the meeting and look at the sky. Often it will be grey and overcast but sometimes there will be a moon or stars and you may recognise a constellation and be able to point it out to your Guides, or there may be clouds drifting across the sky and you can begin to find out the different kinds, and what they are called, and try to forecast the weather they accompany or foretell.

### 'Adopting' a tree

Trees can be of interest in February. The elm may have its crimson flowers already. You can play a game in your company with trees. Each Guide must 'adopt' a tree, one that she sees each day on her way to school or passes on her way to the clubroom on Guide night.

If you start the game this month, the shape of the tree, its style of growth, its twigs and bark can be noticed. Give a mark to the Guide whose tree has the first flower or the first leaf. A mark for each bird seen perching in the tree, and another if it has been named or anything especially interesting noticed about it. If several Guides produce unknown bird descriptions you can have a short time at the meeting looking up in bird books. It does not matter a bit if you do not know the birds' names, look them up with your Guides, explore and discover with your company; you are sure to always keep a jump ahead of them in knowledge anyway!

From the experiment last month with the magnifying of very small things it is interesting if you can introduce the Guides to distant things seen through a pair of field glasses. If you do not possess any try to borrow a pair from some kind friend or relation.



Show the Guides how to hold and focus them and look first at something stationary, a distant house or one of the company's trees. If they can find flowers or catkins on the tree that they had not discovered with their own eyes it will be all the more interesting. It is exciting if a bird is seen perched among the leaves or a squirrel sitting on one of the branches. Moving objects and flying birds are much more difficult to focus and it needs practice to pick one up with the glasses at once.

Interest comes first, resulting in observation. Memory of what is observed leads to research and results in recognition. By the time the Guide can recognise twelve living things and has watched them enough to find out something about each, she will be a good way along the path to the wild and, well equipped with an enquiring mind, sharp eyes and listening ears, her life will always be full of interest.

### 'Our Chalet' Ranger Adventure Week

As last year's experiment proved so successful another special booking has been made at Our Chalet for Rangers and Cadets from all over the world from 15th-26th September, 1957. The programme will be planned by the Rangers and Cadets and will be as varied as possible. It will include walking in the mountains with map and compass, an over-night hike, cook-outs, dancing, singing, dramatics and discussions.

The cost of the eleven days' stay and of the 2nd class return fare from London to Adelboden will be approximately £27, exclusive of pocket money and any incidental expenses incurred. No special qualifications are required of Rangers and Cadets except good health and an interest in the international aspect of Guiding.

Applications should be made as soon as possible to the International Secretary, C.H.Q. on a C.H.Q. nomination form signed by the District Commissioner. These forms are obtainable from English County International Representatives or from International Advisers for Scotland, Wales and Ulster.



## B.-P.—Impressions of boyhood, and Scouting

In this article, based on a talk given by Mr. E. E. Reynolds to Diploma'd in 1956, the author explains how Scouting and Guiding 'grew out of B.-P.'s and Assistant Camp Chief at Gilwell Park for fifteen years, Mr. Reynolds' official biography of the Founder—'Baden-Powell\*' and 'B.-P.\*' Soon after Imperial Headquarters as Editor of 'The Scouter' and in 1944 volunteered national Relief Service. A year later he was appointed Editor of 'Jamboree'

I THINK one of the most interesting ways of studying B.-P.'s life is to notice how his ideas, and the methods with which we are so familiar, grew out of his own life's experience. He was a man of long, varied and adventurous experiences, who was over fifty years of age when he ran his experimental camp on Brownsea Island. The two Movements were started by one man; they were not started by a committee or by a conference of psychologists; no questionnaires were sent out, in fact, the extraordinary thing was that they ever got started, considering the methods we use nowadays to do anything.

Let me run over his life to show you what I mean when I say that the Movement grew out of his experience. He was the sixth son of his father, a notable scientist, a clergyman and a professor at Oxford—in other words he was a member of a large family, mostly boys. Perhaps you have seen in the little museum at Scout Headquarters 'Laws for myself when I am old' written by B.-P. at the age of eight. They are childish but they are very important as they show the kind of atmosphere in which the Founder grew up, an atmosphere in which the children were taught to think of poor people and to help them when they could.

In addition to that atmosphere of religion and conduct there was also the interest of the family in everything connected with outdoor life. It was not merely the father and mother; an uncle was Astronomer Royal in Edinburgh and another uncle by marriage was the Director of the Natural History Museum at South Kensington.

Then when B.-P. went to Charterhouse he was again fortunate because he was under a headmaster who, according to one of his own staff, didn't worry very much about rules and regulations. He was more interested in people. There was in those days a copse near the school which was out of bounds for the boys. That of course was an invitation which

\*Revised edition (O.U.P., 18s.) is now available. 'B.-P.', written for Scouts and Guides, is also published by O.U.P. at 8s. 6d.

B.-P. immediately accepted. It was in that cope that he carried out a good many experiments in what he would call scouting. He learnt how to observe animals, how to catch rabbits, how to cook them over a smokeless fire and how to keep out of the way of masters when they happened to be taking a stroll.

Then B.-P. went into the army. Now an army career in those days was rather rigid and very severely regimented but he took a natural interest in one side of military life, in surveying, reconnaissance and scouting. He was now without his brothers, he was on his own. I shall come back to the brothers because I see there the beginning of Patrol life. The Founder was one of the youngest of the family and when he was about twelve he had several older brothers. They were allowed by their mother, a very remarkable woman who was ahead of her times in her ideas of how children should be allowed to grow up, they were allowed to go off on their holidays on their own, canoeing, camping, hiking, just enjoying themselves.

I have always thought that the fun B.-P. had with his brothers, though he admits that as the youngest of the band he had to do all the chores, gave him the idea of the small unit, the Patrol, and he used that when he was a young officer. He got permission to train young soldiers in scouting, tracking and trailing. They were a pretty rough lot and he found the best way was to have them in small groups of about four or five, with a leader, and



The Cadet Corps at Mafeking patrol under a leader—the o

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# ood, life in the Army ting

Diploma'd Guiders at High Leigh on 1st December, of B.-P.'s own life's experience.' A Scouter in 1914 . Reynolds has written many books, including the 'Soon after the beginning of the war he worked at volunteered as leader of a team in the Scout Inter- of 'Jamboree,' a post he held for ten years.

expect them to come back with sensible reports. That was revolutionary in the army but it worked and B.-P. developed this idea in India until it became a system. A good many of the officers pooh-poohed the idea and some said he was making the training too interesting, too enjoyable.

Very soon B.-P. was chosen for special duties—first in Ashanti and then in Matabeleland, what we now call Rhodesia. There a great native rising was facing the settlers and B.-P.'s special job was scouting, finding the best way for the forces to move and getting all the information possible from the enemy. One of his comrades was Plumer, afterwards Field-Marshal, and he used to say it was astonishing the way in which B.-P. could lead troops at night, over country that seemed to most of them featureless, to the spot they wanted to be at.

Now we come to Mafeking. I suppose very few people know what Mafeking means nowadays but you all know how, for over a hundred days, B.-P. held that little town on the open veldt against a very big force. He held it very largely by what he called bluff, in other words by inventing all sorts of ways of deceiving the enemy, and among the Boers he was always known as Slim. In England the word 'slim' has got a different meaning but in the Boers' language it was applied to Smuts, Slim Smuts. It meant a man who was extremely clever at reading the mind of his opponent and also extremely clever in deceiving him and getting away with one trick after another.

Mafeking is important because



Setting out for Brownsea on 1st August, 1907—the Founder and six of the campers

for the first time B.-P. had experience with boys. His Chief Officer, Sir Edward Cecil, got the boys together and formed them into a Cadet Corps. They took messages and carried out all kinds of duties and showed themselves so ready to respond to responsibility that B.-P. was tremendously impressed. While he was in Mafeking he sent home proofs of a little book called *Aids to Scouting*—the last thing that got out except by secret messenger. That little red dumpy book, a very early military manual, is really the beginning of Scouting and Guiding. It was of course that book that started school teachers, and others interested in the training of children, encouraging them to use their senses, to develop their powers of observation and deduction. That is the link you get between Scouting in its early days and teaching so that when B.-P. came back from South Africa and discovered that this book, meant entirely for soldiers, was being used for the training of boys his interest was at once aroused.

For some time he didn't do very much. He was too busy in his military career and he had many other interests. The challenge came one day when he went up to Glasgow to review the Boys' Brigade which was celebrating one of their anniversaries. It was a fine parade, the boys looked smart, and B.-P. was impressed. He turned to the Founder of the Brigade, Sir William Smith, and said: 'You know if your boys had more attractive activities you would get more of them.' Now William Smith was a man who was proud of what he had done so he challenged B.-P. and said: 'Right, you make me out a list of activities.' He went further and said: 'Why don't you re-write *Aids to Scouting* as a book for boys?'

Two or three years later, when he was a little more free from his military duties, B.-P. did draw up a list of activities and as you look through that list you will find it very much like the Tenderfoot, Second Class and First Class we use today.



Mafeking. Six boys worked in a the origin of the patrol system

The point was that the Founder's interest had been roused and one of the most noticeable things about him was this—once his interest was roused he would never let go. He was so keenly interested in the idea of training boys that he gave his whole attention to it and he started writing *Scouting for Boys* when he was on a fishing holiday.

You can, I think, see now how some of the basic ideas of our Movement were developed out of B.-P.'s own experience of life so that when he came to the job, when his interest had been roused, he brought to it a wealth of experience and practical common sense. He was a man who read a great deal but in a very general way but he would never have called himself a psychologist or a philosopher; he had the typical English point of view—'Does it work?'

I have known him many a time at Gilwell in the early days encouraging people to try experiments. He detested red tape and he didn't like centralisation. He tried to avoid rules and regulations as long as it was humanly possible. If he went to visit a camp he had a very quick eye for anything slovenly and the worst sort of camp to his mind was a lazyman's camp when no one was doing anything. B.-P. was very easy to get on with, partly because he was so keenly interested in you; he wanted to know all about what you were doing

and how you got on. He had a marvellous memory. If you met him some years later he would know you and refer to what you had told him about yourself and your Scouting.



Taken in 1923, Sir Robert Baden-Powell, G.C.V.O., K.C.B.

The Founder was a slightly built man, of middle height, with a very fine head. His hair was sandy before it began to go grey and he was freckled. B.-P. had a wonderful laugh but it was not one of those artificial laughs that people work up for special occasions. When he wanted to laugh he just laughed and thoroughly enjoyed himself. His voice was the most remarkable thing about him in some ways. You never expected from such a slight figure such a powerful voice. I hope during 1957 you will have opportunities of hearing his voice reproduced. There are records and we are now busy preparing a documentary film of his life. If you can hear that, and if you can get your Guides and Rangers to see it and hear it, they will get in that way a very real impression of this very great man.

(A few copies of a record of the Founder's voice are obtainable on loan from the Publicity Department, Boy Scouts Association, 25 Buckingham Palace Road, London, S.W.1. When the documentary film of his life is ready a notice will be published in THE GUIDER.—Ed.)

## Radio and Television Programmes on 22nd, 23rd and 24th February

**P**UBLIC Relations Department is negotiating with various programme organizers at the B.B.C. with a view to Guiding and Scouting being featured in some of the programmes round about Thinking Day. As we go to press there is a hope that the following may take place:—

*Friday, 22nd February: 7.50-7.55 a.m.* Radio Home Service 'Lift Up Your Hearts.'

\* *Between 5 and 6 p.m.* Radio Home Service 'Children's Hour,' three minute Thinking Day Message, possibly from the Chief Guide.

*Friday, 22nd February: \**Light programme, Radio Newsreel, interview with Lord Rowallan, Chief Scout.

*Saturday, 23rd February: \**Home Service, 'In Town Tonight', interview with Chief Guide.

*Sunday, 24th February: \** 11 a.m.-12. Television. Guide and Scout service in the chapel at Charterhouse where B.-P. was educated.

\* 5-5.50 p.m. Radio Home Service. 'Children's Hour,' 'A Portrait of B.-P.' by Jack Cox (Editor of 'Boy's Own Paper').

\* 9.30 a.m.-10.15. Radio, Scottish Home Service. B.-P. Thanksgiving Guide and Scout Service.

The Service of Thanksgiving in Westminster Abbey on Friday, 22nd February, will probably be recorded by the B.B.C. for relay on Sunday, 24th February in the Overseas General Service. Interested countries are advised to enquire locally concerning times.

\* Those marked with an asterisk are definite.

IVY PRENTICE introduces us to

## 'A Field-Marshal's Governess'

YOU will remember that when Lord Baden-Powell was asked 'how it all began' he replied that it was largely due to a Field Marshal's governess. I had the privilege recently to be entertained by Miss Katharine Loveday in her delightful cottage near Banbury and this is what she told me of those early days.

Fifty years ago, in the winter of 1906-07, Miss Loveday went from her P.N.E.U. College at Ambleside to the home of Brigadier General Allenby to prepare his son, Michael, for school. The Brigadier was in charge of the 5th Lancers, stationed at Colchester, and the Allenby family were living near at Roman Hill House. It stood in a large garden with open fields, a wood full of wild flowers and a stretch of water beyond which the family had stocked with rainbow trout. Michael was learning to ride a New Forest pony, the gift of his grandfather, and he had lessons from the sergeant major in the barracks and from his father in the hunting field.

Miss Loveday found an eager pupil in Michael, especially for any outdoor expeditions. They had great fun together, and one day they climbed a cedar tree in the drive, to watch the birds and animals and make notes of the sounds of the countryside. Lord Allenby, returning from a field



Miss Katharine Loveday

day, rode by under the tree. Michael gaily called: 'Father, you are shot. I am in ambush and you have passed under me without seeing me. Remember, you should always look upwards as well as around you.'

Lord Allenby looked up, and was surprised to see, not only his son, but the governess too, in the branches. Her explanation was



Two badges used by Parents Union School Scouts

and that practical steps for this were given in a little handbook called *Aids to Scouting*, written in 1899 by Baden-Powell as a training for character and initiative for his soldiers. Miss Loveday told Lord Allenby how they had used this book, practising the field stunts and games.

A few days later, Baden-Powell was in the district to inspect Cavalry and Lord Allenby invited him to stay at Roman Hill House. As soon as Michael heard B.-P. was coming he confided to Miss Loveday that he hoped the hero of Mafeking would take him scouting.

At dinner Lord Allenby told his guest how he had been ambushed by Michael. 'This,' said Baden-Powell, 'opened my eyes to the fact that there could be an educative value underlying the principles of scout training; and since it had been thought worthy of utilisation by such an authority as Miss Mason I realized there might be something in it for boys and girls.'

B.-P. told Lord Allenby, among other things, that he had been discussing observation of animals with Seton Thompson and how to get their tracks by putting down sheets of paper, covered with printers' ink, in their path and then clean sheets for them to walk on.

When Michael went to his first school in Westgate the family moved to Onslow Square and Miss Loveday went to East Kent as a governess. Later, she joined a teaplanter's home in India, in each case learning with the children to be scouts. Where the children were too few to form a good patrol 'fellowship' members were invited to join. The elephant patrol started by Miss Loveday in India was the 56th P.U.S.S. (Parents Union School Scouts) to be recorded at Ambleside.

In 1908 Baden-Powell adapted *Aids to Scouting* as *Scouting for Boys* and this handbook has gone into twenty-nine editions and been translated into thirty-one languages.

## Ideas for Thinking Day

by Mary Weatherill

THE Overseas painting books stocked at Headquarters offer endless opportunities of interesting Brownies in a practical manner in Brownies of other countries. There are many ways in which this can be used depending upon the age and ability of the child, the experience of the Guider and the facilities available. It is better to attempt a simple model and have a pleasing result rather than to be too ambitious and court failure for this makes the Guider and the Pack lose confidence. No technical skill is needed and a minimum of equipment—just carbon paper, scissors, paste, paints or crayons that don't smudge. Cardboard is expensive to buy but the Brownies will bring cornflakes and Quaker Oats packets and the like, all of which are most suitable. Old wall-paper pattern books too are most useful.

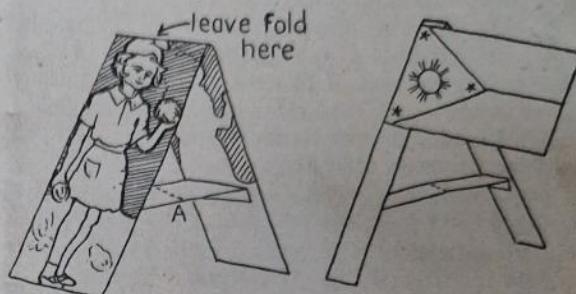
Here are just a few suggestions:

1. A 'Television' Show is a popular way of teaching the pack about Brownies in other lands.

For the 'set' take a cornflake packet and cut an opening. Leave A-D uncut but folded. Piece A.B.C.D. will make the floor of the stage if bent back. Make side slots in order to put the slides through.

Now by tracing or drawing, using the Headquarters Overseas Painting Book, make slides (cardboard). The card must be wider than the packet in order to leave the ends sticking out. Colour pictures e.g. Holland: 1. Brownie. 2. Flag. 3. National dress. 4. Dutch scene. 5. Flowers.

Five children, taking a turn each, put in a slide and say one or two sentences e.g. 1. 'I am a Kabouter (Brownie) from Holland. My uniform is very like yours.' Similar information is given with the other cards thus giving facts verbally and pictorially about the country. If this can all be done in



Cereal packet cardboard is excellent for these models

darkness, and a light focused on the screen, it is most effective even if only a small torch is used.

Instead of drawing, pictures can be cut out of travel brochures to supplement the uniform and flag. Many other variations will soon come to the minds of Brownie Guiders and certainly to the Brownies, once they begin to think on these lines.

2. Trace on to paper the Brownie of the country being discussed, also the flag. Colour according to the book.

Stick on to a piece of card folded at the top. Cut out the shaded parts, leaving the leg part solid (to give strength for standing). Between the back and front card paste a small piece of cardboard, creased at A, for packing flat. This will prevent the base spreading out and the model falling.

Do exactly the same with the flag (the 'pole' will have to be rather wide to balance the flag). A whole set of these makes a splendid display for Thinking Day.

### The Founder and his Family

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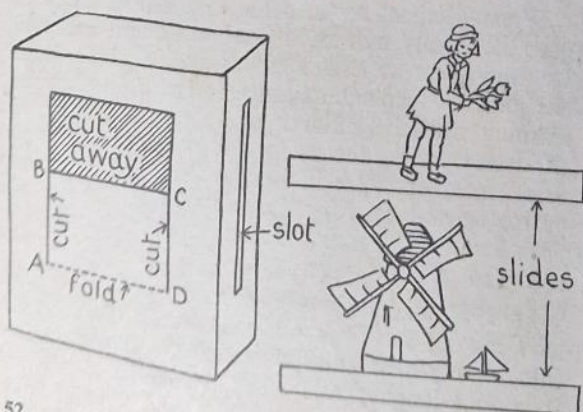
Heather and John are the parents of Michael and Timothy.

Betty and Gervas are the parents of Gillian, Robin, Nigel and Crispin.

All these grandchildren of our great Founder are keen Scouts and Guides, and they all hope to be present at the Centenary Jamboree in August. The Robert Baden-Powell of today is serving his country in the Royal Navy. The others are still at school.

May their trail be as happy and successful as that of their grandparents—the Founder and the Chief Guide.

(Mrs. E. K. Wade was Confidential Secretary to the Founder for twenty-seven years.—ED.)



## A Light in Your Window

THE girl on the right is trimming her lamp in good time for 22nd February. Are *you* making sure that every member of the movement, past and present, in your town or village, city or hamlet, has been invited to place a light in the window of her home on the evening of 22nd February—the anniversary of the Founder's birth?

Each District will have made its own plans for making this event known (not forgetting the valuable help of the local press) but here are some hints on safety precautions for Guiders to pass on to their packs and companies.

Probably the simplest and safest plan is to fix up a reading lamp or you may be able to use a hurricane lamp, but if you plan to use a candle or nightlight choose a suitable container and see it is tethered to prevent it falling over. (By the way, if you use plasticine, cover it with metal or silver paper as the oil in plasticine is inflammable).

Remember that you must hang your container with wire and not with string. Take care that a puff of wind doesn't blow a curtain near a flame. If you rub your candle with soap it helps to prevent the grease running down.

Several ideas for 'a light in your window' will be published in THE GUIDE of 8th February. Finally, the purpose of your light will be clear to every passer-by if it shines behind one of the special transparencies. (See page 8, January GUIDER).



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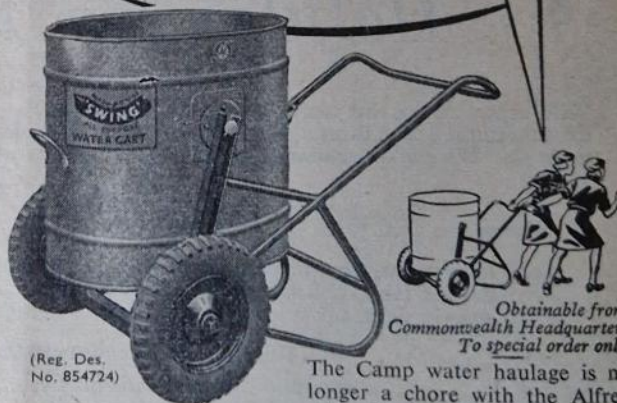
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The GUIDER

## Book Reviews

**The True Book about Girl Guides** by Alix Liddell (Frederick Muller, 7s. 6d.). 'It was a test of their Guide training in every way and not one of them failed. They came from many different parts of the Commonwealth and all earned the affection and respect of the people among whom they worked, as well as high praise from the Authorities; but they never forgot that it was the Guides at home who kept them in the field.' Guides of today were all too

young to have had a hand in raising the £112,000 for the relief work undertaken by the Guide International Service in Greece, Holland, Malaya and Germany but here in this book by Alix Liddell (whose mother, Mrs. Mark Kerr, had suggested the scheme as early as 1941) is a

section devoted to this magnificent story. The book also brings the story of Guiding right up-to-date, too, with the opening of Our Cabana and the expansion of the movement through the Thinking Day Fund. This is a lively book, packed with incident, and any Guider who suggests it for the Company Library would be wise to snap it up herself for an evening first... she won't get a look-in when the Guides get hold of it! Yet another gift to Guiding from a vivacious writer.

**The Adventures of Baden-Powell**, by Geoffrey Bond (Staples, 7s. 6d.). A good story can always bear repeating, and Geoffrey Bond has revived for us many of B.-P.'s reminiscences of his adventures. To the older Scouters and Guiders, most of the stories are familiar friends because B.-P. told them himself in his crisp, succinct style in *Lessons from the Varsity of Life*. In trying to reproduce excitement in this book, the author has clothed them in rather too many words. 'Forbidden Territory' to take one instance, covering eight pages, was told by B.-P. in two, with no loss of meaning. Good as are the drawings by Kenneth Brookes they lack the lightness of B.-P.'s sketches, particularly in the portrayal of horses. These stories should encourage the rising generation to seek out and read the Founder's own stories.

M.M.W.

**27 Years with Baden-Powell**, by E. K. Wade (Blandford Press, 13s. 6d.). Who more worthy to write of the Founder than the Secretary who had spent twenty-seven years in close contact with him and his family? Mrs. Wade's book throws light on the way B.-P. drew up the aims of the two movements. 'Usefulness', maintained the Founder, 'is the rent we pay for living on this earth'. And he never failed to urge Scouters and Guiders to 'look in the most unlikely places for that spark of the Divine which exists in every human soul. You search till you find it and then blow it into a flame'.

The author pays glowing tribute to the part the Chief Guide has played in building up the Guide, and Scout, movement and she refers on many occasions to the help her insight and gracious understanding gave to the Founder. It was characteristic of her, writes Mrs. Wade, that almost her first remark to me, after I had been asked to take on Eric Walker's post as private secretary in the early days of the first world war, was: 'If you are going to be our secretary

you must come and see us in our home and get to know us properly'.

There are interesting sidelights on the Chief Scout's life— weeding, pruning, hedge-cutting and sawing were some of the happiest occupations of his spare hours. 'He used to tell Scouts that no

gardener deserved to go to Heaven because he had such a heavenly time here'. 'The Chief loved a wide view. Too much of his life had been spent on open veldt and wide plain for him to appreciate the cosy, hedged-in surroundings of so many of his neighbours. . . . As he loved a big view, so also he loved a big drawing block or writing pad, for, as he said, 'I can think big thoughts more easily if I have large paper to write on'.

When the Baden-Powells went abroad Mrs. Wade was kept closely in touch by long, chatty letters and extracts are included in this book, as well as arresting details about historic Scout occasions—Jamborees, the opening of Gilwell and St. George's Day Parades. A book to read, and to encourage Rangers and Guides to read.

J. M.

**Baden-Powell**, by E. E. Reynolds (revised edition published by the Oxford University Press, 18s.). This official biography of the Founder was first published in 1942 but since that date the author, who has been closely connected with the Boy Scout movement for more than forty years, has had access to personal papers, through the courtesy of the Chief Guide, and to fresh information from other sources and this 'Centenary' volume has new material and additional illustrations. It is a stirring biography.

**Golden Wings**, by Alison King (Pearson, 15s.). This is not merely 'a story of some of the Women Ferry Pilots,' as its sub-title claims—it is also a story of how women, through their own pertinacity, took their share in the war effort.

To Air Rangers, this book will have a special appeal as in an unobtrusive way the importance of the work of the author herself on the ground, and also of that of the ground crews, is clearly described. From this, it is realised how the rendering of service on the ground enabled the A.T.A. as a whole to ferry planes from factories to bases and so play an important part in the Battle of Britain. The author is now the Director of the Women's Junior Air Corps. V.W.



'They designed their own uniforms'—an illustration from 'The True Book about Girl Guides'

# Census of Membership 1955 and 1956

	ENGLAND		SCOTLAND		ULSTER		WALES		GRAND TOTAL	
	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956
Local Associations ...	1,198	1,185	390	393	36	42	125	125	1,749	1,745
Cadet Companies ...	147	147	23	25	3	3	8	9	181	184
Guide Clubs ...	46	49	—	—	—	—	—	1	46	50
Land Ranger Companies ...	576	543	76	66	23	21	37	30	712	660
Air Ranger Flights ...	41	48	4	4	—	—	1	1	46	53
Sea Ranger Crews ...	303	290	37	34	4	5	20	16	364	345
Guide Companies ...	8,452	8,518	1,553	1,521	256	256	401	398	10,662	10,693
Packs ...	8,909	9,171	1,634	1,719	255	261	369	378	11,167	11,529
Lone Companies ...	46	47	14	15	—	—	2	2	62	64
Extension Companies and Packs ...	333	325	51	48	10	11	18	19	412	403
Commissioners ...	2,228	2,261	523	539	83	87	182	168	3,016	3,055
Secretaries ...	2,893	3,006	230	215	39	39	175	168	3,337	3,428
Guiders... ...	26,405	27,165	5,887	6,073	1,026	1,035	1,077	1,067	34,395	35,340*
Cadets ...	1,474	1,595	153	207	31	21	86	94	1,744	1,917
Guide Club Members ...	753	718	—	—	—	—	—	—	753	718
Land Rangers ...	4,466	4,054	607	557	275	232	325	288	5,673	5,131
Air Rangers ...	333	387	47	40	—	—	7	23	387	450
Sea Rangers ...	3,527	3,308	282	262	70	82	164	148	4,043	3,800
Guides ...	162,705	165,762	35,558	36,938	5,545	5,591	7,082	7,193	210,890	215,484
Brownies ...	175,581	185,885	39,396	41,529	5,054	5,222	6,642	7,158	226,673	239,794
Lones (Rangers and Guides)	495	515	139	143	—	—	11	6	645	644
Extensions (Rangers, Guides and Brownies) ...	3,674	3,730	586	470	114	115	208	168	4,582	4,483
<b>TOTALS</b> ...	<b>384,534</b>	<b>398,386</b>	<b>83,408</b>	<b>86,973</b>	<b>12,237</b>	<b>12,424</b>	<b>15,959</b>	<b>16,481</b>	<b>496,138</b>	<b>514,264</b>

\* Included in this total are at least 517 Rangers who also being Guiders, are not included in Ranger totals.

AGE GROUPS									
Under 15 ...	326,021	341,121	71,161	74,658	9,659	9,947	13,082	13,709	
15-20 ...	29,231	27,382	6,848	7,053	1,550	1,441	1,520	1,501	
Over 20 ...	29,282	29,883	5,399	5,262	1,028	1,036	1,357	1,271	

TREFOIL GUILDS									
Guilts ...	471	505	51	61	9	10	14	15	547†
Guid Members ...	9,203	9,376	1,357	1,532	241	270	215	226	11,084†

† Included in these totals are 2 extra territorial Guilds and Members not under any county.

## The Founder's Centenary

### World Good Turn

Those who have now obtained their set of leaflets for the World Good Turn (price 1/- a set, postage 2d.) will have seen the spaces which are to be filled with pictorial stamps to illustrate the special good turns done to commemorate the Founder's Centenary. They will also see the round space for the seal which will be awarded to any Guide who completes the six good turns.

The seals are in blue and gold and will be available from 1st February, price 1/6d. a dozen, 15/- a gross.

As these seals are in recognition of an achievement they will be supplied only to Commissioners and Secretaries (including, of course, Badge Secretaries). They will be obtainable from C.H.Q., Scottish Headquarters, Ulster Headquarters, and all Headquarters Branch Shops.

### Just an Idea

There is a very definite limit to the length of time that a child's interest and enthusiasm can be maintained in one subject. Consider this factor before encouraging your Brownies or Guides in long-term plans such as 'adoption schemes.' Far more harm than good is done if 'adopted' friends are soon forgotten. Unless some adult backing can assure continuity it may be better to send just one parcel than to promise anything for the future which is not reasonably certain of fulfilment.

### C.H.Q. Restaurant: 22nd February, 1957

Because of the large number of visitors expected in London for the national service on the 22nd February it is regretted that C.H.Q. Restaurant will be closed *except* to those attending the service who have booked in advance, and received tickets, in accordance with the notice sent to them.

The GUIDER

# The Guiders' Postbag

## The Founder's Name

Man, matron, maiden  
Please call me Baden,  
Further for Powell,  
Rhyme it with Noel.

Can we not refer Guides (and Guiders) to B.-P.'s rhyme?  
T.M.

## The Experimental Second Class

We would be interested to know if the new Second Class is a *fait accompli*.<sup>\*</sup> If so, in our opinion, we consider such big changes in the Guide Training Syllabus should have been discussed at all levels, and findings given before being printed in *P.O.R.* It has taken us some time to visit and question our Companies but in the event of our views still being considered we should like to put forward a few constructive ideas.

Out of seventeen Companies of all types, only one has expressed a desire to do the short Second Class. This Company has a very low incidence of Second Class Guides owing to the Captain's own methods. Our Blind Company like the old test as it is, morse, telephone and health rules are particularly liked and are helpful to them. We consider the health rules should not be omitted. The girls of today require to be taught the fundamentals of healthy living contained in our six health rules. If these are left out, or left until First Class, we are losing a golden opportunity. It is simpler to instil good habits in girls of eleven and twelve than at an older age. While we appreciate the necessity of a good carriage, this is too vague to test. We also consider good walking and running are difficult to test unless the Guider is an experienced athlete herself.

It is a pity to omit the use of the telephone as we train our Guides to be useful in emergencies. We should have tangible proof that she can use a public telephone. In two large Companies visited, only one girl in each had a telephone in her home. This is not exceptional in new housing areas.

In the suggested new test, there is not one item that requires concentration for more than a few minutes. We would recommend the retention of Morse signalling by one means or another. In Army signalling units it is a known fact that when the human voice fails to get over, tapped or buzzed morse will.

The average time taken to pass the present test is six months to a year. In that time a Guide develops observation and team spirit before going on to individual badge work. Under the new syllabus, Guides will wish to enter for more badges which will require much more work from the Guider, even with outside help, superintending preparation for these. Badge Secretaries, already overlaid, will give up in despair. There would have to be more work done for First Class at an age when girls are piling up on school work. At the other end of the scale there is quite enough in the Tenderfoot Test—average time of passing, six to eight weeks.

As Commissioners, we view with alarm Guiders of the future who may come from companies using the proposed new Second Class. They will need considerably more training than most Guiders are

prepared to take in order to work with companies who have retained the higher standard of the old Second Class.

District Commissioners	{ LADY ROSE, MISS G. FRASER, MRS. DONALDSON, MRS. PATERSON,	Guide Capt. " " " " Brown Owl
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## Ex-Division

Commissioner MRS. CUTHBERTSON, Brown Owl

*\*(The revised syllabus is 'experimental'. The purpose of this is to ensure that any changes which may eventually be made will be based upon the practical experience of as many Companies as possible.—ED.)*

I should like to congratulate the Guide Committee on the new Second Class. It has already put new life into the Company with which I help—we have time to do things better and First Class is appearing on the horizon in a way it never did before. Are the Guiders who are crying 'lower standards' and 'too easy' really convinced that their Second Class Guides could actually do all the things they were supposed to have passed? In my experience there was a great deal of 'I did know it once, but I don't quite remember ...'

JANE DEAS

(District Commissioner,

N.W. Cambridge)

## Kim's Game

It was interesting to read in Mrs. Lockwood's letter in the January GUIDER that her Company of Secondary Modern School girls find Kim's Game too easy. As a Guider of a Company consisting principally of Grammar School girls who are, for the moment, continuing to work on the old Second Class ('as we can manage it quite well, Captain') I have found that greater effort has often been required for them to accomplish concentration in Kim's Game than in signalling. In both cases, of course, the standard of achievement needs to be adjusted to 'stretch' each individual Guide and make the test worthwhile. There are so many varieties of Kim's Game (some were published in the October GUIDER) that an individual presentation should be possible for each girl.

Perhaps those who find it too easy are getting away with a test of memory, rather than a test in observation and concentration. We shall need to be extremely careful to avoid labelling one box of equipment 'Kim's Game' and so forget that each test needs to be prepared for the individual Guide in every case.

M. JOBLING

[Captain, 35th Burnley (Rose Hill) Company

## Obtaining Registered Goods

I would like to know what other Guiders' views are on the idea of registered goods going through so many channels, and being five to six weeks before being returned to us. Could we not be sensible and find another, more suitable arrangement? New Zealand has overcome this difficulty, so why can't we? Each warranted Captain and Brown Owl in New Zealand is now to be issued with a permit. On production of

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this permit and the badge certificates at the Guides Shop, and on signing a book, a Guider is duly issued with the badges. There is no possible chance of any unauthorised person being able to get the badges. I do not believe the Guides and Brownies work for the tests in order to show a badge off, but I do feel very strongly about the present method of obtaining the badges and it is not fair to the Guides and Brownies, having worked for the badge, to have to wait so long for it.

BADGE WEARY

### Lone Rangers

Girls of Ranger age who are unable to attend Ranger meetings because of their work or studies should know of the opportunities of Lone Rangering. There are Lone Ranger Companies in many parts of the British Isles, including London. No girl need be out of touch with the movement through lack of regular free time.

I have eighteen Rangers in my Company, many of whom are nurses. We work almost in the same way as those companies which are able to have regular weekly meetings, except that we have a monthly 'meeting on paper' called the Company Letter. The meeting begins with Roll Call, followed by notices and a letter from Lieutenant and myself.

The Patrol Leaders and Seconds are responsible for their own Patrol Corners. Articles on the Pre-Enrolment Test, Service Star, and Land Ranger Adventurer are sent in by Rangers working for these sections of the syllabus. One Ranger each month is responsible for the 'Rangers' Own' page with which each Company Letter ends.

This letter is sent round the Company each month and no one is allowed to keep it longer than three days. As you will see we try to have as full and balanced a programme as any group of Rangers who meet every week. We have our own weekend camp site near Staines, Middlesex, and have collected or made much of our own equipment, including lightweight kit.

We have several complete Service Stars in the Company and one Ranger has completed her Land Ranger Adventurer Test. Opportunities for service are wide and varied. We have adopted an Extension Ranger who spends her entire life in hospital.

Occasionally we do manage to meet each other in twos or threes or sometimes in larger groups, according to our off-duty times. Last Thinking Day we had a wonderful evening together with Miss Hillbrook as our guest and in November we had a grand gathering when Lady Cochrane presented the Company with the Commonwealth High Standard Award.

FRANCES REED

(Captain, 1st London Lone Ranger Company)

### MAY WE INTRODUCE?

ANY GUIDERS in or near London on 28th February, including those who may already have booked with their companies, crews or flights, may like to know that Mr. Kenneth Sedgwick's talk on 'Jazz' at the Royal Society of Arts will be 'chaired' by Miss Mary Chater. Tickets of admission, price 1s. 6d., are obtainable from Branches Office, C.H.Q. If you arrive early you are invited to sit in the library.

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## Where to Train

### COMMONWEALTH HEADQUARTERS

The minimum age for prospective Guiders attending all residential training is seventeen and a half years.

#### TRAINING BURSARIES AVAILABLE

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

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

**Angela Thompson Bursaries:** These bursaries are available for any Promise and Law Training (not necessarily at the C.H.Q. Training Centres) and are the same value as the Fee Bursary mentioned above.

Guiders wishing to apply for any 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, C.H.Q. When applying, District Commissioners should state the date of the training the Guider wishes to attend. Applications must be made at least a fortnight before training.

#### FOXLEASE

During February the house will still be used by Hungarian refugees.

March

1-5 Guide Guiders (emphasis on training Patrol Leaders) and Brownie Guiders

8-12 Dorset

15-19 Ranger Guiders (all sections)

22-26 Guide and Brownie Guiders

29-2 April. Guide and Brownie Guiders

April

5-12 Guide and Brownie Guiders with special sessions for Commissioners at the weekend

16-23 General (a) Elementary (Easter) (b) Refresher

26-3 May. Extension Guiders' Training

May

10-14 Guide and Brownie Guiders

February, 1957

17-21 Outdoor Activities for all Branches

24-28 Gloucestershire

†31-4 June. Commissioners (by special invitation)

June

7-17 (Whitsun) Guide and Brownie Guiders (Training at the weekends with holiday-mid-week)

21-28 General Training

July

2-9 Guide and Brownie Guiders with special sessions for Commissioners (Guiders may bring children under five).

12-16 Guide and Brownie Guiders (emphasis on World Guiding)

20-27 Guide and Brownie Guiders

August

†13-23 Patrol Leaders' Training

27-3 September. Guide and Brownie Guiders

#### WADDOW

February

1-3 N.W. Area C.A.s

8-12 Guide and Brownie Guiders

15-19 Guide and Brownie Guiders (Emphasis on 1st Class)

19-1st March (Closed for cleaning)

March

1-5 Camp Fire

8-12 Guide and Brownie Guiders

†12-15 (mid-week) Commissioners (by special invitation)

15-19 Guide and Brownie Guiders (emphasis on World Guiding)

22-26 Guide and Brownie Guiders

29-2 April. Staffordshire

April

5-9 Guide and Brownie Guiders

12-16 Guide Guiders (emphasis on training Patrol Leaders) and Brownie Guiders

18-29 \*(Easter) Guide, Brownie and Ranger Guiders

26-30 Pack Holiday Training (in the Pack Holiday House)

May

3-6 Lancashire N.W.

10-14 Guide and Brownie Guiders (emphasis on Scouting for Boys)

17-21 General (by invitation)



24-28 Guide and Brownie Guiders (emphasis on the out-of-doors)

June—Closed

July

16-23 Guide and Brownie Guiders

August

†20-30 Patrol Leaders' Training

† For further details apply to County Commissioners.

\* There will be emphasis on woodcraft in the middle of this training and on Lones during the last weekend. Guiders are welcome to attend the whole course.

† Applications for the 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 two Patrol Leaders can be accepted from each Company and that they must be between the ages of 13 and 15½ on 1st August, 1957 (born after 31st January, 1942).

**Fees:** Single room, £4 4s. per week, 13s. 6d. per day; double room, £3 10s. per week, 11s. 6d. per day; shared room, £2 14s. per week, 9s. 6d. per day. Garage 7s. 6d. per week, 1s. 6d. per day.

Applications for Foxlease and Waddow should be sent (with a deposit of 7s. 6d.) and a stamped addressed envelope to the Secretary, Foxlease, Lyndhurst, Hants, or to the Secretary, Waddow Hall, Clitheroe, Lancs.

#### M.T.B.

April

11-18 Guiders (Small boat maintenance)

18-25 Guiders

June

1-8 Guiders and Rangers (Reduced fees will be charged during this period)

July

27-3 August Guiders

August

24-31 Guiders (Sailing opportunities)

September

14-21 Guiders and Rangers

**Fees:** £3 10s. per week. All applications should be made to Miss V. Lees, 6, Middleton Hall, Torquay, enclosing a booking fee of 10s. and a stamped addressed envelope.

## C.H.Q. CONFERENCES AND TRAININGS

**C.H.Q. County Camp Advisers' Conference, 1957:** There will be a one day conference at C.H.Q. on Saturday, 30th November, 1957 for C.C.As, C.C.As (Admin) or a camping representative from the county. Further details will be published later.

## 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.

**Trainings for Camp Fire Leaders.** There will be two trainings at C.H.Q. on Thursdays, February 7th and 14th, from 7 to 9 p.m., taken by Miss Chater. These will be on the same lines as the previous series, i.e. they will be especially planned to give practice and confidence to the musically untrained Guider who finds herself conducting Camp Fires by the light of nature. Fee 1/- per evening.

**Guide Second Class.** A training on the new alternative test for Second Class will be held on Saturday, 23rd March from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Fee: 4/-, including tea.

**Sea Ranger.** There will be three trainings for Sea Ranger Guiders on 30th April, 7th and 14th May from 7-9 p.m. Fee: 3/-, for the course. 30th April —Ceremonial and O.S.R. on a teaching basis.

7th May —A.B. on a teaching basis.  
14th May —Programme planning and session by Captain E. V. Henday of the Port of London Authority on Cargoes.

**Air Ranger Guiders.** There will be a training for Air Ranger Guiders on Saturday and Sunday, 4th and 5th May. Further details in the March GUIDER.

**Extension Guiders.** Details in April of training day on 1st June.

## SCOTLAND

### Netherurd

- February  
1-4 Guide and Brownie Guiders  
March  
1-4 Guide and Brownie Guiders  
8-11 West Lothian—Guide and Brownie Guiders  
15-18 1st Class and Golden Hand  
22-25 Guide Guiders (preparing the Company for camp)  
Brownie Guiders (Training for Pack Holiday Permit)  
29-1 April Dumfriesshire—Guide and Brownie Guiders  
April  
5-8 Guide and Brownie Guiders  
12-15 Pre-warrant — Guide and Brownie Guiders

18-23 (Easter) Guide and Brownie Guiders

26-29 Camp Fire

May

3-6 County Durham

At County week-ends there may be a certain number of places for Guiders from other areas, and any Guider may apply for a place at these trainings.

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

## WALES

### Broneirion

February

1-3 Montgomeryshire Pre Warrant Guiders and Montgomeryshire Patrol Leaders

8-10 Outside booking

22-24 Closed

March

1-3 Guide Guiders, with places reserved for counties and Ranger Guiders (all sections)

8-10 Outside booking

15-17 Brownie Guiders, with special sessions on Pack Holidays

22-24 Closed

29-31 General Training with sessions for Commissioners

April

5-7 Closed

9-16 Patrol Leaders Week

19-29 (Easter) Ten-day Holiday period with General Training sessions and woodcraft expeditions. Applications will be arranged for part of that time.

May

7-9 Local Association Conference.

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

## ULSTER

### Lorne

February

1-3 Hillfoot District

8-10 County Antrim

15-17 Guide Guiders

March

1-3 Ex-Guiders

8-10 Promise and Law

15-17 Rangers

**Fees:** 9s. 6d. per day. Applications for trainings at Lorne to the Guider-in-Charge, Craigavad, Co. Down, enclosing a deposit of 5s.

**Come to Lorne for your Holidays:** The Ulster Guiders' Training Centre is open for holiday bookings during July and August. It is an excellent centre within easy reach of sea, country and town.

Age of applicants should be 14 upwards. Patrol duties are kept to a minimum—uniform need not be brought. Packed meals can be produced or 2/6 deducted from the bill if out for a main meal.

Fees are 12/6 per day unless one of a party of ten or more when the fee is reduced to 10/- per day.

The boat trip is by night from Liverpool, Heysham, Glasgow or by day from Stranraer or Ardrossan; party tickets are available but these should be applied for in good time.

Applications with 5/- deposit as above.

**Lorne Camp Sites:** There are two fully equipped sites and the charge is 30/- for an equipped site per week, with extra for hiring of tents and groundsheets. For further particulars apply to the Guider-in-Charge.

## CAMPING AND HOLIDAYS

**Blackland Farm, East Grinstead, Sussex:** Applications for Camp Sites should be made to the Warden. Indoor camping facilities: (see page 61).

**Hindleap Warren, Forest Row, East Grinstead:** Details of these unequipped sites (solid shelter available) from Miss Swan, Balards, Forest Row, Sussex.

**Pack Holiday House, Waddow:** Applications for Pack Holidays in 1957 are being considered and should be made to the Secretary, Waddow Hall. The House is also available for Guides, Rangers and Cadets with their Guiders between September and April.

**Foxlease and Waddow Campsites.** Applications for sites for 1957 are being considered. They should be addressed to the Secretary and the envelope marked 'Camp'. Suggested dates should be given, with possible alternatives, and approximate numbers. At Foxlease, camps may begin on any weekday; at Waddow, Saturday or Wednesday is preferred. At Foxlease there are 3 sites equipped for a maximum of 20, 3 sites equipped for a maximum of 30, and an unequipped site that can take 40 campers. At Waddow there are 4 equipped sites and 2 unequipped.

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 foolscap envelope.

The written recommendation of the C.A. is necessary as everyone will realise that all camps at the Training Centres must be of a high standard.

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# Headquarters Notices

## COMING EVENTS

**The Empire Circle Thinking Day Party** will be held at Headquarters on Thursday, 21st February, at 6.30 p.m. The guest of honour will be the Chief Guide, and Miss A. M. Walker, Training Adviser for England, will take the Camp Fire.

**The Annual Service for Jewish Girl Guides and Brownies** will be held on Sunday, 24th February, at 3 p.m. at the Willesden Synagogue, Heathfield Park, N.W.2. This will be followed by tea and a camp-fire. Any Jewish Guides, Brownies or Guiders who are attached to open companies or packs will be very welcome, as will visitors from the provinces, for whom hospitality can be arranged. Further details are available from Miss R. Abrahams, 11, Dicey Avenue, N.W.2.

**Retreats for Church of England Guiders:** The Church of England Youth Council is arranging the following Retreats for Church of England Guiders:— *April 5th-7th, 1957, at the Diocesan House, St. Albans. (Conductor; The Rev. K. G. Symcox). April 26th-28th, 1957, at The Old House, Cropthorne, Worcestershire. (Conductor; The Rev. R. Herbert). November 15th-17th, 1957, at the Diocesan House, St. Albans.*

The fee is 30/- which includes a booking fee of 2/6d. (non-returnable). Booking and further particulars from Miss R. C. Hadow, C.E.Y.C., 69 Great Peter Street, London, S.W.1.

**The Advisory Council for Jewish Girl Guides** is organising a camp for Jewish Guides of Great Britain, and any Jewish Guides from overseas attending the World Camp at Windsor, from 11th-18th August, 1957 at Foxlease. Further particulars from Mrs. Bloomar, 107 Park Avenue North, Willesden Green, London, N.W.10.

## IN MEMORIAM

Miss M. E. Dell, Captain of the 1st Wallingford Company, who died on 21st December, gave over thirty years devoted service to Guiding in Berkshire as a Brownie, Guide and Ranger Guider at various times. For the past ten years Wallingford District has been without a District Commissioner and it is largely due to Miss Dell's initiative and steadfastness that Guiding has kept going there.

Mrs. Armstrong writes: 'Niru Biswas, who died on 11th December in India, gave herself wholeheartedly to the service of others. A lively imagination and keen sense of fun, combined with a strict sense of discipline, made her an ideal Bluebird Trainer and she was loved and respected by the many hundreds of Indian Guiders and Commissioners who attended her training camps and training sessions during the past twenty years. Guiding in India, and particularly in Bengal, owe much to Niru's example.'

Through the death of Mrs. Alan Morkill, who died on 30th December in Victoria, B.C., World Guiding and Girl Scouting has lost a good friend and worker. During the war Mrs. Morkill founded the Women's Service Corps in Victoria and she served as the Corps Commandant from 1940-1942. Her work with a Red Cross Canteen was recognised by the award of the

M.B.E. and in 1943 the Guide Movement gave her the Silver Fish. In 1944 Mrs. Morkill was appointed a member of the Western Hemisphere Advisory Committee of the World Association and she had given valuable help as a member of the Standing Committee for Constitutions.

Mrs. Tolman, who died just before Christmas, was the much loved Brown Owl of the 1st Beaminster Pack. Her death is a loss to her many Guide friends and her Brownies.

## AWARDS

### Training

**Brownie Training Diploma:** Miss J. Braithwaite, Bristol.

## NOTICE BOARD

**Foxlease: Orderly needed immediately.** For further details apply to the Guider-in-Charge, Foxlease, Lyndhurst, Hants.

**Camp Secretaries needed:** If you are a keen camper and looking for a job in the summer why not write for particulars of the camp secretary's post at Foxlease or Waddow to the Secretary, Commonwealth Training Department at Headquarters?

**Blackland Farm:** Two Rangers, Cadets or young Guiders are needed to help at Blackland Farm Camp Site from the end of July to the end of August. For further details write to the Secretary, Commonwealth Training Department at C.H.Q.

**Blackland Farm, East Grinstead, Sussex:** Why not camp at Blackland Farm this year? The site is within easy reach of London and is in lovely surrounding country. Up to five hundred campers can be accommodated and each site is fully equipped and almost all have permanent shelters. The sizes of the sites vary, but on the average are suitable for camps up to 26 or 30. Water is laid on and there is an excellent canteen, a paddling pool on the site and the wooded country around is ideal for wide games. For fuller details write to the Warden.

**Alterations to C. A. List, 1956: Essex:** Please insert under: *West* (between County Camp Recorder and Forest Division) **Brentwood:** Miss G. Humphrey, 11 Warley Mount, Brentwood.

**Wales: Flintshire.** Delete; 'Incoming Camps—Miss Carr, The Cottage, Gwysanney, Mold.'

**Punchbowl Meadows, Battle, Sussex:** Free camp sites for London Guide Companies, preferably those from poorer districts. (Ranger Companies or Patrols not allowed, nor Brownies). Main water. 1 mile from Battle shops. Nearly 40 acres fields and woods. Good pond for swimming (deep).

The East Site has hut 12 feet by 30 feet, a shed for stores, 4 washhouses, 3 lavatories (chemical), and an open shelter for meals. Benches, water cart, flag post, fire shelter. The West Site has hut 10 feet x 24 feet, three lavatories, (chemical), flagpole.

The sites can be seen on one week's notice to owner, who can lend a few cooking things. Particulars from Miss Tanner, 13 Britten Avenue, St. Albans, Hertfordshire, who kindly does the bookings.

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# Classified Advertisements

The Girl Guides Association takes no responsibility for statements contained in any advertisement, nor for any subsequent correspondence in connection therewith. The right is also reserved to refuse any advertisement not considered suitable. Advertisements for the sale of clothing (except uniform) cannot be accepted. Charge 2s. per line, personal; 4s. per line, Trade; 1s. 3d. for Box Number. Advertisements must be received by the 1st of the month for insertion in the next issue.

## EMPLOYMENT OFFERED

**United Ipswich Hospitals' Training School for Nurses.**—Joint training for male and female nurses (636 beds), Ipswich and East Suffolk Hospital, Angelsea Road Wing and Heath Road Wing. Candidates are accepted for 3½ 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.

**Loughborough General Hospital.**—A few vacancies exist for **Student Nurses**. Applications are invited from women between the ages of 18 and 30. Details of age, education, etc., to Matron from whom further information can be obtained.

**Is there a Nursery Nurse** who would be interested to teach unmarried mothers to look after their babies? Living-in Assistant to Superintendent. Apply to Miss Gross, 23 Ferndale Road, Woking.

**Assistant Warden** is required for hostel for 18 working girls. Knowledge of housekeeping and willingness to do some cooking essential. An interest in social work desirable. Excellent accommodation in new building. Opportunities for Guiding. Apply the Warden, Stepney Jewish Settlement, 2 Beaumont Grove, E.1.

**Do people like you?** Churchwomen who are friendly and intuitive offered social work training. Write: **Church of England Moral Welfare Council, 251 Church House, Dean's Yard, London, S.W.1.**

**Wanted from 1st April to 15th October a Roman Catholic Guider or Ranger** to help with the housework in the hostel. Apply to Rev. Mother, Prinsenhof 8, Bruges, Belgium.

**Brendon Hill Farm** requires young woman to work on farm and in house; also pupils taken.—Flatt, Huish Champflower, Taunton.

**Resident help required.**—Three in family. Modern house, near shops and transport. Chappell, 26 Brook Road, Loughton, Essex.

**Assistant Matrons** required for **Tanganyika Government European Department** for one tour of 30/36 months in the first instance. Salary scale £576 rising to £732 a year. Commencing salary according to qualifications and experience. Gratuity at rate 13¼% of total salary drawn. Outfit allowance £45. Free passages. Liberal leave on full salary. Candidates, **unmarried** and not over 45, should preferably have had boarding school experience and should be interested in and have an understanding of children. Duties include general care of boys and girls at boarding schools (including maintenance of their clothing) especially out of school hours. Write to the Crown Agents, 4 Millbank, London, S.W.1. State age, name in block letters, full qualifications and experience and quote M3/35117/GJ.

**Wanted: Helper to help run home** and look after mother. Must be good with old people and at lifting; nursing experience and ability to cook useful, not essential. Opportunity for Guiding. Vacancy end February/early March.—Applications to Miss V. Close, 1, Aigburth Road, Swanage, Dorset.

## HEADQUARTERS VACANCIES

Membership of the Movement is always an advantage to applicants for posts at Headquarters.

**Salary scales:** See **THE GUIDER** for November. 5 day week. Pension fund. All applications should be made in writing, giving full details of age, experience and salary required.

## EQUIPMENT DEPARTMENT VACANCIES

**Headquarters Shop.**—Saleswoman.

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**Despatch Clerk** for **THE GUIDE** and **THE RANGER**.

**Finance Department.**—Shorthand/typist required. Experienced, particularly in figure typing.

**General clerk.** Good at figure work.

**Full-time Brownie Trainer** required.—Further details from the Secretary, Commonwealth Training Department, C.H.Q.

**Foxlease:** Required in January **Assistant Secretary.**—Shorthand-typing essential. For full details apply to the Guider-in-Charge, Foxlease, Lyndhurst, Hants.

**Residential House Assistant** required.—Some secretarial (typing) and book-keeping experience necessary. Prospects of promotion for an adaptable person. Apply to the Guider-in-Charge, Waddow Hall, Clitheroe, Lancs.

**C.H.Q. Restaurant.**—Service Assistant wanted early February for permanent post. Modern kitchen. 5-day week (9.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.). Three weeks' paid holiday. Salary according to experience.—Apply Restaurant Manageress, Girl Guides Association, P.O. Box 269, 17-19, Buckingham Palace Road, London, S.W.1.

**Public Relations Department** has a vacancy for a **Shorthand-Typist**—Junior or experienced. Work entailed is varied and interesting. Salary according to qualifications.

## THE TREFOIL GUILD

**Part-time Secretarial Assistant** required: good copy typing and able to accept responsibility for simple accounts.—Apply to Miss Longden, 46 Belgrave Square, London, S.W.1.

## ACCOMMODATION OFFERED

**12 Hans Road, Knightsbridge, London, S.W.3.** (Kensington 5951). Ideally situated for sight-seeing and shopping. Comfortable rooms (some with private baths) and breakfast. Guests welcome for long or short periods. Further particulars from Miss Adeline Willis.

**Balmer Lawn House, Brockenhurst, Hants.** Tel. 3102.—A restful, comfortable house right on the New Forest. Main Line Station (Waterloo, Bournemouth, Isle of Wight). Buses 5 mins. from house—half hour to Milford-on-Sea.—Apply Miss Sandy.

**Blakedene, Lilliput, Dorset.**—Comfortable old house in own grounds. Close to Poole Harbour. Easy reach Bournemouth and Dorset coast. Brochure.—Rosamond Douglas and Janet Foster.

**Guernsey.**—Country House. Large garden, paying guests, full board, single room 6 gns. weekly, shared room, two beds, 5 gns. weekly.—Box 858.

#### ACCOMMODATION REQUIRED

**Young Guider and Scouter** would be overjoyed to hear of unfurnished flat. North London.—Box 860.

**HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION AND CAMPING**  
**Beaumaris, Isle of Anglesey.**—Good sight-seeing centre, lovely walks and scenery. Supper, bed and breakfast, in comfortable Guest House run by Guider. Book now for Easter.—Apply Miss B. G. Bowen, Pläs Hyfryd.

**Holiday accommodation for about 20 children and adults.**—Reasonable charges, beautiful country, swimming pool, all conveniences.—Davington School, Usk, Monmouthshire.

**North Wales.**—Merioneth, Near Aberdovey. Holiday Cottage for 3 or 4 friends in beautiful grounds. Close to sea. Bath, main sanitation, electricity. Available Easter onwards, 7-10 gns. weekly.—Apply Secretary, Order of St. John, 4 Cathedral Road, Cardiff.

**Dudsbury Camp.**—Bournemouth Division permanent camp site, five miles from Bournemouth. Open March-December. Suitable for indoor camps or Pack Holidays, numbers 16-40. Also three camp sites, permanent sanitation, shelter and marquee.—Apply Miss Uhtoff, 33 St. Stephens Road, Bournemouth.

**Guide Hut, Chiddingly, Sussex:** Partially equipped for 24 Guides. Space for three or four tents. Well water.—Apply Miss D. S. Jackson, 10 Le Brun Road, Eastbourne.

**Oxford County Camp Site.**—Fully equipped for 30 campers with solid shelter.—Apply Miss Johnson, Napier House, Headington, Oxford.

**Tenby, Pembrokeshire.**—Large, very pleasant first floor room, normally used as kindergarten, with simple cooking and washing facilities and lavatory adjoining. Self contained with own front door, fully equipped for two except for linen and towels. Five minutes from Station, golf links and town centre: 10 minutes from sea. Baby and or dog welcome! Available last week July to end of second week in September. Terms: 7 gns. per week.—Apply Allen, Kenystyle, Penally, Tenby, Pembrokeshire.

**Catholic Holiday Week** August 6th-13th.—Guiders out of uniform will be welcome.—Apply Rev. Mother, Prinsenhof 8, Bruges.

**Ireland.**—Bungalow in grounds of Guider's home, to let for summer months. Ideal surroundings, close to sea and mountains; 13 miles Dublin, 1 mile Bray, on 'bus route. 5 gns. per week. Vacancies during June and July.—Box No. 862.

**Garden Hut** to let on 'bus route (7 miles Folkestone, 10 miles Canterbury); 2 beds; all equipment except linen; electric light; calor gas cooking; 30s. per week. (Two extra beds available in another hut, 15s. each.) Also **Garden Flatlet** to let furnished, except linen; 2 beds, separate kitchen, bathroom, W.C.; constant hot water available; electric lighting and cooking; 45s. per week. (Flatlet already booked August and first week September.)—Miss Lewis, Cloverland, Lyminge, Folkestone (Tel. Lyminge 87220).

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