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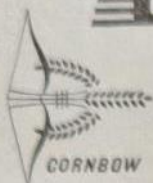
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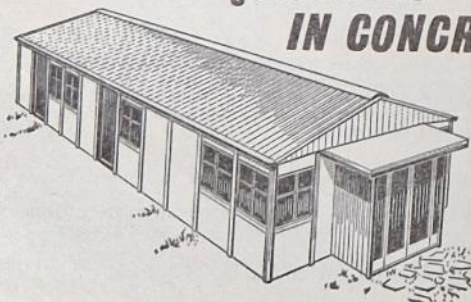
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## THE ROYAL FAMILY

MISS ANSTICE GIBBS, Chief Commissioner of the British Commonwealth, sent to Her Majesty The Queen, on 11th March, the following telegram:—

LOYAL GREETINGS AND CONGRATULATIONS TO YOUR MAJESTY AND BEST WISHES FOR HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE NEW PRINCE FROM ALL MEMBERS OF THE GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION.  
ANSTICE GIBBS

THE FOLLOWING telegram has been received in reply:—

Miss Anstice Gibbs, Girl Guides Association, Buckingham Palace Road, S.W.1.  
I AND MY HUSBAND THANK YOU AND ALL MEMBERS OF THE GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION MOST SINCERELY FOR YOUR KIND CONGRATULATIONS ON THE BIRTH OF OUR SON  
—ELIZABETH R.

## Comment of the Month

### LOOKING AHEAD!

BROWN OWL: Now would you like 10s. for your Brownie uniform, Jocelyn, to go towards your Guide uniform?

BROWNIE (*very shocked at the idea*): Oh NO, Brown Owl. I'm keeping that for my children.

Contributed by MISS R. GILL, 1st Oldham Pack, Hants.

## Notes of the Month

### THE PATROL SYSTEM

WE ARE sure that Guiders will give a very warm welcome to **Not More than Eight**, by ELIZABETH HARTLEY, published by C.H.Q. (2s., postage 3d.). The subtitle 'A GUIDE GUIDER'S GUIDE TO THE PATROL SYSTEM', is an accurate description of this invaluable little book. It makes clear the basic value of the Patrol System, gives practical help on making the fullest use of it, to ensure that the P.L. and her Patrol take all the responsibility of which they are capable, and gives many practical hints on such things as the Programme, the Patrol Corner, the part played by the Second, the Patrol Camp Permit, and the Patrol Leaders' Training.

Entertaining illustrations by Jennetta Vise, planned in collaboration with the author, while relevant to the text, also remind us that Guiding is intended to be fun!

Even the experienced Guider will find this book well worth a place on her bookshelf, while for the less experienced Guider it is an essential tool, helping her to ensure that both she and her Guides get the very best out of Guiding.

### ROYAL LIFE SAVING SOCIETY'S NEW HANDBOOK

THIS HANDBOOK (obtainable from C.H.Q. Shops) is more than a manual of Instruction in Life Saving

methods—it sets out very clearly the chief causes of drowning accidents, and suggests how these can be prevented and how to save life with the least danger to the rescuer when an accident has occurred. It also explains very fully and with illustrations how to do three methods of artificial respiration.

The Society's Awards for Life Saving and for Artificial Respiration, of which there are quite a number, have been revised and are within the reach of any keen swimmer. The illustrations in the Handbook are excellent and the methods of Rescue and Release are explained very clearly.

The book costs 4s. 6d. (by post from C.H.Q., packing and postage 8d.).  
B. FRIPP

### BEATLES

BROWN OWL had brought the new Brownie to C.H.Q. to buy her uniform, and hearing the Guards' Band they stepped out into Buckingham Palace Road to see the Guards go by. To the amusement of the bystanders, a very excited Brownie piped up: 'Look, Brown Owl, they're all wearing Beatle Wigs!'

Contributed by MISS J. BENNETT,  
Brown Owl, 4th Tufnell Park Pack, London, N.E.





### CAN WORK BE FUN?

CAN work be fun? Of course it can—and especially when it is done in company with people who share your interests. Those who came to the **Drama Workshop** at Foxlease in 1962 will all admit to a certain amount of hard work being involved, but they are



equally unanimous in declaring what enormous fun it was.

If you want a holiday that is definitely different this year, why don't you come to this year's **Drama Workshop at Waddow** from 21st-31st August? There will be ample opportunity to exercise your abilities in whatever field of drama interests you—movement, speech, music, costume, or back-stage work. You may even find that you have some abilities that you never realized you had, as some people did last time.

Do come and join us—you will certainly never regret it and it should prove to you that stimulation and enjoyment can be found in working. There will also be some time to relax and enjoy the many delights which Waddow and the country around it can offer.



## The Discoverers Challenge

[by C. E. Patteson

**P**ATROLS have now reached the last lap of the Challenge, and I feel sure those who have got so far will be all set to finish it. They may, however, need some help over Clause 1 in this month's section: '**Demonstrate pitching and striking a tent.**' We hope so many Patrols will be wanting to practise that there will be a shortage of tents in every County! Will anyone who has an old tent put away please produce it, and tell the local Commissioner of its existence so that a Patrol can borrow it. It would be tragic if any Patrol had to fall out at this stage because they could not get hold of a tent. Scouts or the L.E.A. would also probably be able to help.

The dates of the Challenge Camps are now drawing very near. It is **EXTREMELY IMPORTANT** that the **Patrol Challenge Cards** are returned to the Challenge Secretaries **IMMEDIATELY** the tests are finished, so that numbers for the Camps may be assessed. Those responsible for running the Camps will be held up with the making of all their arrangements until they know how many Patrols to expect.

The Challenge will partly fail in its objective if it is not completed by many Patrols who have never camped before. But having such Patrols in the Camps

### SURVIVAL SWIMMING

**SURVIVAL SWIMMING** (price 4s.), published by the Amateur Swimming Association and obtainable from 64 Cannon St., London, E.C.4, treats this very serious subject in a most light-hearted and attractive way, and the pictures of 'Survival Sid' illustrate the subject-matter very well. Here in this little book are some realistic and exciting activities that are challenging and enjoyable, and when learnt could be of real use in an emergency.

B. FRIPP

### EDITOR'S NOTE

Will the reader who left the chart **Personality—Are You With It?** in Publications Department, C.H.Q., please write to the Managing Editor.

### BREATHLESS!

*OVERHEARD at a Ranger First Aid Practice—my daughter as patient:—*

**MARY:** I've bandaged her left leg and put her arm in a sling.

**MOLLY:** I'm putting a bandage on her right foot.

**PATIENT:** But I've STOPPED BREATHING. Do something quickly!

**MOLLY:** Oh! You'll have to wait until next week. I can't do mouth to mouth resuscitation yet.

PS. Since then we have seen the film *The Pulse of Life* with a lecture by a doctor and an opportunity to practise on Resusci-Annie, the model.

E. MUSTCHIN

*Brown Owl, 4th Patcham Park, Sussex*

will mean that the help of every Commissioner, Guider, and Senior Branch member will be needed to make the Camps the success we want them to be. Here are a few suggestions of ways in which help can be given:—

1. A strong team of experienced campers will be needed for each Camp.

2. Patrols will want to borrow all the equipment necessary for a Patrol Camp, other than what they have made themselves.

3. Someone will need to check each Patrol very carefully before they set out.

4. Transport of some kind will be needed to take the Patrols to the Camps. Possibly a District could hire or borrow a van for all the equipment, while the Guides could be given lifts in cars, so as to cut down expense.

Now is the time for Commissioners and Guiders to help the Patrols with all these arrangements. It is always trebly difficult to plan such details in a rush.

Next month we hope to publish a list of the addresses of all the Challenge Camps and the name of each one's special visitor.



# Those Camping Tests

by C.E. Patteson



THE OTHER day I chanced on an Alphabet rhyme about Guiding, written over 40 years ago. One couplet from it has stuck in my memory:—

*'R, Regulations, Rules, and the Rest,  
And the worst of the lot is that blank Camper's Test!'*

It may be many years since that poem was recited, but I am sure there are Guiders to-day who would agree with the author. Many of us must have asked ourselves secretly, if not demanded openly, **why do we have camping tests for adults?** Nowadays everyone camps, and a Guider who has camped a lot with her family is surely capable of taking a few Guides as well—and, after all, camping is all common sense.

Common sense, yes—but even though we are well endowed with that valuable gift, going to a Training Camp and camping with an experienced Company helps one to apply it. A Guide Camp was once pitched by a sheltering copse near some cliffs. Two young Guiders decided it was more fun and more invigorating to have their tent higher up near the cliff's edge. All went well till the wind got up one night and they woke next morning feeling rather chilly. No wonder! They were no longer in their tent—fortunately not, as it was only a white speck floating out to sea far below them. No doubt everyone learnt a lot from the experience and it was probably the highlight of the camp from the Guides' point of view: all the same, it involved the Guiders in a lot of worry and expense, and it is the kind of incident that upsets an anxious 'Mum'.

When camping with a family and a car, one does not necessarily learn about the importance of the prevailing wind, storm-pitching a tent, or having long pegs for sandy soil; but attendance at a Training Camp ensures that a Guider is competent to deal with gales and such-like emergencies—which she must be when she is in charge of other people's children.

## WHY TRAINING?

Perhaps we all agree that Camp training is necessary, but why the TESTS? The obvious reasons are firstly to safeguard the health and wellbeing of the Guides, and secondly to maintain a high standard of camping throughout the Movement—a standard of which we can be justly proud, as it is recognized as good by other youth organizations, camping clubs, and Education Authorities.

But there is more to it than that. A camping qualification gives confidence to the holder when setting off to camp with new Guides, and still more so when things go wrong and self-confidence is so apt to melt away: in the kind of situation when it rains on Visitors' Day, two Guides are homesick, someone chops herself with the axe, and just as tea is ready the dixie upsets into the fire. That is when a Guider may doubt her capabilities as a camper, but then the reassuring thought will come to her: "They" think I can cope: I have got my Licence! She will cope too, and next day will be glorious fun and all the difficulties will be forgotten or laughed at.

## PARENTS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

A camping qualification gives great confidence to parents too. A C.C.A. once went to visit 'Mums' before camp and was somewhat taken aback when 'Dad' asked, 'How do I know you know anything about camping?' Her Licence completely reassured him!

The general public too expect Guide Camps to be efficiently run, and tradespeople welcome them as good customers. Unfortunately slips in orders do occur sometimes, and do harm to our Public Relations. I once knew of a grocer who was somewhat put out when a zealous Q.M. ordered  $\frac{1}{4}$  cwt. of lard and returned 26 lbs. of it somewhat 'shop-soiled' at the end of a very hot week! These mistakes are rare, but I feel pretty sure they would be far more common were it not for those camping tests.

## THE GUIDES

Lastly, what about the Guides? It's a tremendous thrill for them when Captain gets her Licence and they know they have helped her achieve it. They made a great effort during her test camp, and now they feel they have really earned the name of a camping Company. With no test to pass, no standard to maintain, there would be a great tendency for our camps to become slipshod, our sites untidy, and our meals messy. Such camps may be great fun, but what about their value as Guide Training? Are the Guides going to know more about the real meaning of being a Guide through going to them?

We learn three things whilst training for the Licence Test: to keep the campers happy, to safeguard their health, and to train them to be Guides. This last will not be achieved without the first two, but it is why a Guide Camp differs from any other. Don't let's forget that; and remember it's not only a Guider's knowledge of practical camping that is being tested, but her ability to put real Guide Training into practice during her time in Camp.

Is she going to use that pond for rafts and bridges? Will her Patrol Leaders have the chance of getting up early to see the sunrise from the top of that hill? Has





ARRANGEMENTS going ahead for Licence testing Camps at Whitsun. Mrs. Plum (2nd Pickaback) rings to report unable camp herself this season (Doctor's orders): can her Guides go with someone else? Reply possible only if trained beforehand. Mrs. P. says why? Explain it contributes to happiness of Guides who feel at home more quickly and lightens labours of Guider kindly taking them. Mrs. P. sees point and suggests District pre-camp P.L. training. Counter with proposal for camp training for Guiders. Mrs. P. says can't camp, Doctor's orders. Reply possible erect tent without sleeping in it. Mrs. P. says must not handle tents, too heavy, Doctor's orders. Reply some camp training possible without tents. Mrs. P. says tents are bound to come into it in the end, so perhaps some camp training for her P.Ls.—agree to try to arrange both.

Trouble over storage camp equipment in Community Centre basement. Letter from Secretary can we find other accommodation, as fetching and carrying causes disturbance. Loss to understand. Last season equipment only fetched and carried once, and both times Centre empty. Recall dimly fuss in 1960 when Inner Wheel meeting couldn't hear itself speak. Suspect plot. Suspicion confirmed when am told in butcher's shop by mother of new leader at Centre Club that Club is taking up camping. Ask where equipment to be kept. Told in basement at Centre. Call on Secretary. Adopt pained attitude. He apologizes. We agree there is room for both sets equipment.

Real break-through in recruiting Guiders. Remembered advice given once at Commissioners' Training never to forget to look outside own circle. Met delightful new Head of Junior School, a passionate gardener. Invited her drink coffee and view crocuses. Result—two new Brownie Guiders from her P. T. Association. They are to look for third. Am very keen on staffing units with three Guiders if remotely possible.

Find qualifications for Guiders printed as 'Amendments to P.O.R.' in March GUIDER very helpful when interviewing but arranging preliminary training remains headache. No two women ever free same night and, as most have husbands, weekends no easier. Local Association prepared to foot bill for visit to Foxlease but New Forest as inaccessible as Moon, it seems. Fall back gratefully on Correspondence Courses as basis for discussions to be fitted in at odd times.

1st Pickaback reports sad falling-off of older Guides. Meet two recently fallen off. Ask them if they would like, together with us, to work out some special training challenge for their age group. Surprised by eager response and immediate offer to 'tell the others'. Must tackle this one but when?

## Those Camping Tests

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thought been given beforehand to Camp-Fires so that the programme is well balanced, and every Guide has the chance of discovering and developing her particular talent, be it singing, miming, dressing-up, or mimicry? How about Handcrafts? Gadgeting appeals only to some campers: are hers going to be encouraged to whittle, model, weave, or carve? Will her Guides go home knowing something of the birds, flowers, trees, or the dwellers on the seashore near the site? Most important of all, how is she helping her Guides to grow in the understanding of the Law and the Promise? Has she thought out a theme for prayers with her Court of Honour before camp, and is time allowed each day to plan the next day's prayers with the Patrol responsible? Does the Company know the meaning of a Guides' Own, and do the Patrol Leaders ever undertake to arrange one by themselves?

These are the things that make a Guide Camp really worth while, and the holder of a Licence or Permit is relied upon to use them as the foundation of her camp programme.

## A CHALLENGE

Have you a camp qualification? If not, go right ahead, ring up your Commissioner now, and see if you cannot get one before the end of this year. If it's impossible for you to get to the County Training Camp, find out if one is being held in another County at a more convenient date for you. Training Camps are real fun; and the less you know, the more ready everyone will be to help you. Take your hot-water bottle, and do not be afraid to produce it. The Trainers and C.As. are most anxious you should enjoy yourself, and if you can sleep well that is half the battle.

Once you have accepted the challenge of life in the open air, and have realized what fun it all is, you will want to do more. Possibly your next step will be, with the necessary permission, to take your Leaders and Seconds for a weekend camp. Neither they nor you will want to stop there, and before you know where you are you will be achieving the aim of every keen Guider: running your own Company Camp. You will find doing this the most worthwhile and enjoyable activity you can ever share with your Guides.

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## *The Seven Faces of the Girl Guides Association*

### 1. The Trader

by Joyce Baxter

*General Secretary, Girl Guides Association*

TELEVISION viewers are familiar with the Seven Faces of Jim. Are they so familiar with the Seven Faces of the Girl Guides Association?—

A youth movement, member of SCNVYO.

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Publisher of magazines and booklets (member of the Publishers' Association).

Trader in uniform and equipment, and Bookseller (member of the Booksellers' Association).

Employer.

Which of these 'faces' do members of the Movement know best? Or least? In this, and the next six issues of *THE GUIDER*, the spotlight will shine on each of the Seven Faces of the Association, and in this issue it lights up—

#### THE TRADER

It is unusual enough for a voluntary organization to be carrying on a trade at all, but even more unusual to find one that is not only a retailer, but also a wholesaler and an exporter, a mail order business, and a multiple store with Branch Shops. And then, even more unusual still, this Trader hasn't a monopoly in its own special line of business.

The paragraph in the Royal Charter permitting the Association to supply uniform and equipment to its own members also gives the member freedom to purchase her necessities, apart from registered goods, from any trader she likes.

So the Association, as a Trader, competes for its custom like any other business house. At the end of the year, its gross profit is calculated, and after deduction of the overheads (light, heat, rent and rates, equipment, salaries, etc.) the net profit is transferred to the Association's General Funds.

As this net profit provides a considerable part of the income, the Association's face as a Trader deserves a 'close-up'.

The annual turnover of trade is almost £400,000 a year.

The Association is wholesaler to 250 Agencies.

The mail order business deals with 30,000 customers a year.

Export business amounts to £35,000 and there is regular trade with Canada, Australia, Singapore, Trinidad, Bermuda, and many other countries.

There are Branch Shops of the Association in four main towns.

The Branch Managers of these and the joint Scout and Guide Shops come to C.H.Q. twice a year for a Conference.

Almost half of the Association's employees at C.H.Q.

are engaged in trading: stock control, despatch, mail order, service in the C.H.Q. shop.

The General Manager has two Buyers (for Books and Camp Equipment) and a Traveller to visit the Shops and Agencies.

An Equipment Board composed of men and women highly experienced in the retail trade meets at C.H.Q. once a month to study the trading returns, note the trends, and advise on the best ways of keeping trade buoyant. The Chairman of the Board has recently given a Cup for competition among the Shops for the best trading results in the year. There is no doubt that the Board's expert knowledge and keen interest in the monthly trading figures has put everyone on their toes, and made the otherwise formidable columns of £s really mean something. It is also encouraging to the staff working the highly complex machines at C.H.Q. to know that their figures are eagerly grasped almost before the duplicating ink is dry.

It will be obvious from these few facts alone that the Association, as a Trader and a breadwinner for the Movement, deserves respect. What is not so obvious to the members is that the Association needs more support. The fact that the Charter allows other traders to enjoy our members' custom doesn't mean that we have to boost other suppliers!

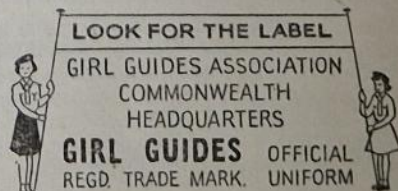
The Association's face as publisher of C.H.Q. magazines goes grey with chagrin at having to refuse tempting revenue from trading advertisements; but its Trader's face flushes scarlet when local Guide publications anywhere show pages paid for by our competitors!

The trading profit from the Association's shops, together with the Headquarters portion of the membership subscription, provides most of the money needed for the progress of Guiding: it helps to pay for Trainers and for the upkeep of the Training Centres, for example.

The Association, as a Trader, could be a much better breadwinner for us all if it could count on the custom of all members of the Movement. It must also do its part by offering good quality goods at a price the customer can afford, and by constantly watching overheads.

#### LOOK FOR THE LABEL!

The profit from the sale of goods bearing this label



(and no other) provides the cash for the Movement.



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#### COMMONWEALTH CIRCLE

THE APRIL Social will take place at Commonwealth Headquarters on St. George's Day, Thursday, 23rd April, at 6.30 p.m. As Overseas Scouters as well as Guiders are to be invited, numbers of members will be strictly limited.

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Qualifications: good health, which includes the ability to live at 4,000 ft.; and your Commissioner's recommendation. (Apply direct to Our Chalet, Eggetli, Adelboden, Switzerland.)

#### LIST OF CAMP ADVISERS: AMENDMENTS

Devon, South and West: Brixham, Dartmouth, and Paignton: MISS R. WINDEATT, Druid, Ashburton. (NOT Kingswear and Dartmouth)

Isle of Wight. Island C.A. (new appointment): MISS BLOUNT, 4 Queen's Road, Ryde, I.O.W.



#### STAFF VACANCIES, C.H.Q.

**Overseas Department:** Secretary with good Shorthand/typing speeds, all-round office experience, able to accept responsibility and run a small office. Interesting post for anyone interested in the Guide Movement.

**Commonwealth Training Department:** Secretary with good Shorthand/typing speeds, all-round office experience. Someone interested in the Guide Movement and able to work on own initiative.

**International Department:** Shorthand typist. Knowledge of Guiding and a foreign language useful.

**Registrations Department:** Shorthand typist. Good accurate worker.

**'The Guide' Office:** Shorthand typist. Good accurate worker for the Editor of this weekly magazine.

**Equipment Department:—**

Senior Saleswoman for the Camp Shop.  
Saleswoman with a flair for window display.

Junior Shorthand Typist.

Junior Clerk, Stock Control; some typing. } School Leavers. Day release for Continuation School.

FOR FULL PARTICULARS OF THESE OR ANY OTHER VACANCIES, PLEASE APPLY TO THE PERSONNEL OFFICER

**Buyer (Woman)** required, not over 45 years, for Books, Stationery, Miscellaneous Goods, Souvenirs. Should hold Diploma of Booksellers' Association or be willing to attend Courses with a view to obtaining qualification. Duties include marketing of Association's Publications and buying books of general interest for Shops. Apply General Manager, Equipment Department.



THE GUIDER

## HEADQUARTERS

#### NAVY BLUE PLEATED SKIRTS FOR GUIDES

Permission has been given for Guides to wear pleated Skirts as an alternative to the official 4-gore pattern. Equipment Department now have them in stock from 25s. 11d. to 29s. 11d. according to size (see advertisement on back cover).

#### HOLIDAY CAMP FOR GUIDERS IN FINLAND

THE FINNISH Girl Guides Association invites British Guiders to a holiday camp, the object being to help Finnish Guiders to improve their English.

Date: 10th-22nd August. Trips can be arranged before or after the camp, if desired.

Place: Punkaharju, in S.E. Finland.

Accommodation: In a house by a lake.

Cost: 16s. per day, plus travel to and from Finland.

Applications: To the International Secretary, C.H.Q., enclosing a letter of recommendation from the applicant's Commissioner, not later than 30th April. Individuals will be expected to make their own travel arrangements.

#### EAST/WEST CONFERENCE IN INDIA

World Association conference in connection with UNESCO. Major Project to Promote Mutual Appreciation of Eastern and Western Cultural Values GREAT BRITAIN has been invited to send one delegate to this Conference, which promises to be of immense interest and importance.

Place: The International Centre, New Delhi.

Dates: CONFERENCE 26th October-6th November. TOUR 6th-11th November.

Cost: The cost of all travel and accommodation will be the responsibility of the Girl Guides Association. The delegate will have only to find pocket money.

Age: 18-25 years inclusive.

For further information, see March GUIDER and January/March COUNCIL FIRE. For details and application form, send a foolscap s.a.e. to International Department, C.H.Q. No applications accepted after 16th April.

#### STAFF FOR AMERICAN GIRL SCOUT CAMP IN GERMANY

APPLICATIONS are invited for staff members to work at Camp Lachenwald, near Marburg, Germany from either: 20th June-25th July or 27th July-29th August. The campers will be American Girl Scouts resident in the North Atlantic area.

Return travel expenses will be paid plus a small amount of pocket money.

Staff positions are:—

Arts and Crafts Counsellors, Interpreters, Unit Leaders (minimum age 21 years), Assistant Unit Leaders (minimum age 20 years), and Counsellors (minimum age 18 years).

Apply to the International Secretary, C.H.Q., for further details, enclosing Commissioner's recommendation.



# NOTICES

## BROWNIES' GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

IN MAY the Brownies will be celebrating their Golden Jubilee, as they started in 1914—for a short time at the beginning they were called Rosebuds. (The plans for the Flower Good Turn in May have been the subject of articles in THE GUIDER and THE BROWNIE.)

Public Relations Department, C.H.Q., have available, free of charge, some brief history notes about Rosebuds and Brownies. Please send a s.a.e.

## COMMONWEALTH WEEK AT NETHERURD

25th August to 1st September, 1964

VISIT SCOTLAND and attend the Commonwealth Training Week at Netherurd, from 25th August to 1st September, during the Edinburgh International Festival.

There will be some Training sessions but the programme will also allow time for Scottish Country Dancing, Camp-Fire talks on local folk lore and customs, etc. Visits to local places of interest are planned and, in addition to sightseeing in Edinburgh, there will be opportunities to visit a variety of Festival events for which we shall have tickets. As usual, Guiders will be expected to attend all the sessions.

There is always a warm welcome at Netherurd for Guiders from overseas.

## THE CAMP OF THE NEW MOON

THIS CAMP is now fully booked.



## CADET SET OF TRANSPARENCIES

NOW AVAILABLE from C.H.Q. and Branch Shops is a set of three colour transparencies in the 'Slides for Speakers' series, showing Cadet activities. Price 7s. set (postage 6d.).

## FOXLEASE STAFF

THERE will be vacancies for Junior House Assistants for six to twelve months starting April and August (or September). Suitable for Ranger or Cadet aged 16-18 with time to fill in before taking up a career. Details from Guider-in-Charge, Foxlease, Lyndhurst, Hants.

## AMENDMENTS TO P.O.R.

THE DATE below the heading on page 70 should have read **December 1963 to March 1964**.

Please note that the new copy of P.O.R., price 2s. 6d., is now available from C.H.Q., Branch Shops, and agents. (If ordered by post from C.H.Q., please include 6d. postage.)

## ART COMPETITION 1964

THE ANNUAL PAINTING COMPETITION for pictures to be hung at C.H.Q. for the year July 1964 to July 1965 is taking a slightly different form from past years.

A wider range of media is being permitted, and therefore the title is changed to 'Art Competition'.

### Rules for the 1964 Competition

1. Closing date, 12th June, 1964.
2. Size of paper, 15 in. x 11 in.
3. SUBJECTS
  - (a) Festival time.
  - (b) Trees.
  - (c) Patrol Corners or Pow-wow.
  - (d) Free choice.
  - (e) A design for wrapping-paper based on any of these subjects, to be executed in either lino or potato prints.
4. MEDIA may be:
 

Water-colour.	Gouache.
Crayon.	Pastel.
Oil.	Collage.

 Lino or Potato prints for (e) above.
5. All entries should be sent to Mr. John Mills, Hunter's Lodge, Monkleigh, Bideford, N. Devon, each clearly marked on outside 'Guide Competition'.
6. Your name, age, address, and name or number of unit must be written clearly on the back of the picture.

Pictures will be judged in age groups and Messrs. Winsor & Newton have very kindly offered prizes to the winners of each group.

There will be NO ENTRY FEE.

## INTER-VARSITY SUMMER RALLY

AT HULTON PARK, Westhoughton, Nr. Bolton, Lancs. from 29th June-6th July. Cost approximately £5. Further details from Guide and Scout Secretary, Manchester University, Faculty of Technology Union, Sackville Street, Manchester 1.

## EXCHANGE OF YOUTH LEADERS WITH FRANCE UNDER S.C.N.V.Y.O. AUSPICES

IT IS HOPED to send a party of 30 Youth Leaders (men and women) to France for a 15 day visit at the end of July. Anyone interested should apply to the International Secretary, C.H.Q. on a C.H.Q. nomination form as soon as possible, but not later than Monday, 27th April. Dates: 26th July-10th August. Cost: £30-£35 (possible grant aid). Age: 25-35 years. Qualifications: At least two years in the Guide Movement. A working knowledge of French. Ability and willingness to pass on what she has learned.

A paper selection will be made.

OBJECTS: to gain a closer insight into the organization of the Youth service and the facilities for reception and international exchange between the two countries, and personal contact between leaders who might themselves promote further exchange.



# NOTICE BOARD

## OLAVE HOUSE (formerly Our Ark)

### Silver Jubilee Celebrations

Open Days May 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 1964. 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Coffee and tea will be served all day.

## ANNUAL SERVICE FOR JEWISH GUIDES AND BROWNIES

THE SERVICE this year is being held at the Wembley Synagogue, Forty Avenue, Wembley, Middlesex, on Sunday, 24th May, at 3.30 p.m. All Guiders, Guides, and Brownies of the Jewish Faith are welcome to attend, especially those who are in open Packs and Companies. For further details please contact the Secretary of the Jewish Guide Advisory Council, at 30 Manor View, Finchley, London, N.3.

## ENGLISH LAND RANGER ADVENTURE COURSE

At Whitehall, Buxton, Derbyshire, 7th-17th August. Limited places. Apply at once to Miss Heys-Jones, 23 Denbigh Gardens, Richmond, Surrey, enclosing stamped addressed envelope. Rock climbing, orienteering, pot-holing, canoeing, and pony trekking. This counts as a 'residential week' for the Duke of Edinburgh's award.

## ENGLISH LAND RANGER GUIDERS' CLIMBING WEEKEND

SEPTEMBER 25 to 27, at Bowles Mountaineering Gymnasium, Eridge, Tunbridge Wells, Kent. Instruction for beginners and plenty of opportunity for the more experienced to develop their skill. Also opportunity for swimming. Rangers of 18 and over are invited. S.a.e. to Miss Heys-Jones, 23 Denbigh Gardens, Richmond, Surrey.

## COMMONWEALTH YOUTH SUNDAY, 10th MAY, 1964

AN ORDER OF SERVICE has been drawn up by the Church of England Youth Council, the Free Church Federal Council, and the Church of Scotland. Those who would like to use it should apply to the Secretary, Commonwealth Youth Sunday Committee, c/o The National Council of Social Service, 26 Bedford Square, W.C.1, not later than 28th April. Prices, including postage, are: 5s. for 50; 8s. 6d. for 100; 16s. 6d. for 200; £1 4s. for 300; £1 12s. 6d. for 400; and £2 for 500.

## LONDON TRAINING COLLEGES SCOUT AND GUIDE FEDERATION

THE FEDERATION aims to bring Scouting and Guiding to the notice of students in training for teaching, and to bring together for mutual support and encouragement and arrange joint activities among the various Scout and Guide Units in Training Colleges and Departments of Education in the London area. Rallies, hikes, camps, and other functions are held. Particulars may be obtained from your College Secretary; in case of difficulty, or if your College has no Unit, write to: Anthony Chandler, College of St. Mark and St. John, King's Road, London S.W.10. Tel. FLA 6988.

## OLAVE HOUSE

45 Longridge Road, London S.W.5

IT HAS been found necessary to increase the charges for accommodation, which from 1st May will be as follows:

**Cost per night** (bed, bath, and breakfast):

In a single room, 21s.

In a room for two, 16s.

In a room for three or four, 13s. 6d.

**Meals:** Lunch (Sundays only), 4s.; supper (every day), 4s.; Tea, residents only.

Should you wish to cancel your booking, please inform the Guider-in-Charge as soon as possible.

## VOLUNTARY SERVICE OVERSEAS— SOUTHERN RHODESIA

ENGLAND is asked to nominate 8 candidates for the selection of two Rangers or Cadets between the ages of 18 and 21 years to work in a Guide V.S.O. project in Southern Rhodesia, for one year from next August. The volunteers will be required to travel with the Southern Rhodesian Training Team part of the time. When not touring they will be attached to the Southern Rhodesian Headquarters in Salisbury, and will also help with Companies and Packs.

Hospitality will be the responsibility of the Southern Rhodesian Girl Guides Association. Return fares will be paid by V.S.O.

**Qualifications.** Ability to help with Guide Companies or Brownie Packs. Physically fit with good stamina, adaptable, patient, pleasant manner and ability to get on with all types of people.

**Apply immediately to your District Commissioner,** asking her to enquire about further details of this very interesting programme from your County Commissioner. Completed application forms must reach the English Department, at C.H.Q., by 1st May.

## COUNCIL FOR NATURE

A SPECIAL COURSE for Youth Leaders is being held at Brantwood from May 30 to June 6. The object is to show that simple natural history and field projects can be introduced into the programme of a youth club, group, or unit with comparatively little previous knowledge. All that is expected from those who attend the course is enthusiasm for wild life and the countryside in general. Field excursions, which will form an important part of the programme, will include visits to nature reserves, research stations, and exploration of the coast and hills, all under expert leadership. There will be indoor lectures by visiting speakers, and by the Warden of Brantwood, Stanley Jeeves, well known as mountaineer, photographer, and naturalist. There will be shows of films and slides, and ample time will be given for discussion. The inclusive charge for the week's course will be £10 10s. Enquiries to Mr. P. Blyde, Council for Nature, 41 Queen's Gate, London, S.W.7.

## 17th ANNUAL GATHERING, ASSOCIATION OF METHODIST SCOUTERS

GILWELL PARK, October 23-25.

An open invitation to all Guiders to be present.

Enquiries (S.A.E.): Mr. Geo. P. Quilley, 139 Northumberland Road, North Harrow, Middlesex.



# TRAINING PAGES

*Is This Your Problem?*

## Twisting Teens—and Tops

by Joan Gunning

'PLEASE, may we have permission to go upstairs to work?'

'Upstairs—to work?'

Oh, you may think I'm an old cynic; but you don't know as intimately as I do the group who stood before me putting in this request for extra time to work in the lunch hour. I gave them just time to settle, and then followed them upstairs. In the Art Room all was not well. The group stood motionless around a central figure, her cheeks puffed out, eyes bulging. A frantic voice was wailing, 'Oh, try again; *do* try again.' Luckily, this was a situation with which I could cope.

'Shall I try?' I asked. All eyes turned; with a professional air I rubbed the offending article between my hands, took a deep breath, and (praise be!) it was done. Casually I handed them the balloon. The tables were littered with strips of newspaper, of tissue paper, and green and black paint.

'Isn't it an odd time of year for balloons?'

'Oh,' they chorused, 'that's only the base for the papier mâché.'

Given time, they told me all.

They were making a mascot, an unidentifiable coleopterous insect—a beetle. Tickets had been obtained for a 'Swinging Session' with four famous young men, and the mascot was designed to attract attention—and it did.



A week later, having passed through an experience that 'left us, honestly, too weak to scream,' they were willing

—nay, anxious—to tell me all about it.

As they related the incident to me, their words tumbled over one another. The music, they said, 'hypnotized' them. 'Two hundred years would have been too short a time in that electric atmosphere.' It was a 'compulsive beat'. Pressing for some adverse criticism, I asked how they had enjoyed the group live, compared with their recordings—the fans' most usual contact with pop music.

Gradually they admitted that records have gimmicks, such as orchestral backing; maybe the sound

was thinner than on records, but it didn't matter: 'It's their personality that counts; they're really NICE.'

My informants had proof of this. You remember the mascot? It secured them a personal interview. I listened while they told me of the brief but important meeting. They knew exactly what they wanted to discover. Did the group wear wigs? The conversation took the following lines.

'Honestly, we love your cereal bowl haircuts, but are they real? Can we pull your hair?'

'Sure, if we can pull yours.'

Nothing easier—and with good humour all round, laughing, they had parted!

We were all laughing too. Obviously they knew what I was thinking, but what I thought didn't matter: for them the group was special. They informed me that following your group was a disease. 'You catch it and just can't give it up. It has to work its way out of your system.' (Important point—fashions in pops are ephemeral: their greatest following, 'the teens', love something new and go for it with enthusiasm and gaiety.)

None of them could put into words why they were so keen. 'It's like having marmalade on bacon: some people must do it or go crazy!'

Returning to the show they had been to, I asked about screaming: how spontaneous was it; did they scream? They admitted with twinkles in their eyes that they had let loose a few shrieks—'everybody does it'; and I could imagine being whooped up with the atmosphere. After all, people fainted while Brahms played—why not for this strumming, vibrant beat?

These get-up-and-go youngsters had virtually been to a concert. I wondered if being unable to dance had lessened the music's effectiveness. This was not so; but, they informed me, they wouldn't always prefer to listen. With shrill voices they offered to bring records that would teach me the difference





between discs to listen to and those to move to—we met again a few days later.

To me the familiar pounding noises were very alike but to my instructors, who were gradually helping me to be much more 'with it', they were discs to Mash to, to Turkey to; the Hitch Hike, the Penguin, the Shake followed, the last a stiff, tortuous, frenzied dance. For the first time I was aware of the many sides there are to 'pops', of the gay delights, but also of the dangers and possibly decadence.

These girls were lively, as contemporary as the moment—one of them a Guide. They are normal, interested young people typical of many of the girls with whom we work in our Companies. Rightly or wrongly, I felt they were at the mercy of those who stand to make a fortune from youth's vitality and interest in all things new and exciting. By nature the teens fear being made to look a fool, to look different from their fellows; thus they are easily swirled into the prevailing fashion. They want to appear independent, particularly of their parents; and at this time, when it is all-important that there should be tremendous moral and emotional stability upon which they can call if they wish, on all sides they are beset by interests that care for little except to hasten the take-over of materialism.

What aspects of the promotion of this gay light-hearted 'beat' music do I mistrust?

I find that a number of the magazines, which are a part of the fans' impedimenta, are designed to make the teenagers feel that unless they get the next issue they will fail to get their necessary 'transfusion'. They appeal visually by 'glossy pix' and verbally with 'fab information'—anything to whip up a storm. One article stated that the more outrageous the behaviour the more 'fab the feeling'. I wonder to what extent the less critical, the less intelligent are affected by such comments.

Advertisements that accompany the playing of pops on a popular wave band are no better, perhaps no worse, than those in the national press. I can laugh when I hear that a shampoo, price 4d., will

lead me to the ideal boy friend; but can teenagers?

Constantly there are new styles in dress. Wigs, cowboy boots, frilly this and leather that, Garbo hairdos, were all 'in' a few weeks ago — not now! To wear the right clothes is important: how important?

What of the records themselves? To what extent do teenagers criticize? To what extent do promoters force a new 'group' on the market? Do we help the young people in our Companies to have standards? Do we seize any opportunity that arises to talk about subjects that may not seem directly concerned with the activities we spend much of our time doing in the Company meeting, but which, because they are related to living, should be our concern? In regard to pops, do we, given the right moment, help girls to consider the performers, to appreciate a player who has dexterity, to judge if a falsetto voice is well countered by the bass, to question why a slow, hypnotic, dragging record can also be exciting —and even before we start on the record, what about the truth of the picture on the L.P. jacket?

Just creeping into the British market are religious 'pops'. These are not spirituals or a genuine effort on the part of the church to stop the widening gap between secular and sacred and the teenage leakage from our Churches. They are, it seems, a passing craze, in no way aimed towards spiritual health, doing nothing to change the 'How am I doing?' to 'What am I living for?' Does it matter?

There is a danger in this world of accelerating change that our standards and the values in the world which we hold dear will not be strong enough to withstand the impact of the slick, shiny image; and certainly we cannot impose them on youth. Our great objective must be to stimulate the thinking of the young people with whom we come in contact (see Miss Cozens's article in the October GUIDER, 'The Head'), to take away nothing of the fun from these twisting teens and their tops, but to encourage experiment and the weighing of evidence to help them discriminate between the false and the true, and the tinsel and the real, in all things.



by



Gladys Potter

### HOT POTATOES

THE PACK stand in a ring with one Brownie in the middle. A ball, which becomes a 'hot potato', is thrown from one Brownie to another across the ring—and because it is hot it cannot be held for more than a second. The Brownie in the middle tries to intercept the ball; if she seizes it, the last

one who touched it takes her place in the middle.

This is a good game for starting a meeting, because any Brownie who is late arriving can join in without fuss.

### THE FAIRY QUEEN'S PICTURES

THE FAIRY Queen's pictures have been stolen from the Palace and they have been cut into little bits.



The Lord Chamberlain is at his wit's end and he asks the Brownies to help him to put them together again.

Give each Six a piece of card or brown paper about 8 in. by 5 in. and a number of gummed paper shapes, and ask them to see which Six can make the best picture.

### NATURE INDOORS

TRY this activity for wet or dark evenings. Let the Brownies stand in a ring to give in their money for Pack Funds. As each Brownie puts her money in the box in the middle, she tells something interesting from the out of doors that she has seen during the week. Most Brownies will respond to the challenge to 'see what they can notice during the next week.'

### ALPHABET SHAPES

BROWN OWL signals a letter in semaphore and each Six turns itself into that alphabet letter as written. Scoring can be a spill for each Six forming itself

into the right letter, and also a plastic letter for the first Six ready. Even the newest recruit can join in and be part of a letter, and maybe learn a little semaphore at the same time. And it is a wonderful opportunity for the Guiders to observe which Brownies in each Six take charge (not always the Sixers!).

### CLOSING CEREMONIES

Do you have a closing ceremony! If your Pack is new and is not used to making up ceremonies, suggest to them that they try this one.

The whole Pack, with Brown Owl and Tawny Owl, come very close together in the middle of the room, holding hands. Then, taking little steps backwards, they say very softly:—  
'G-O-O-D N-I-G-H-T' with a final loud 'Good night' and a salute.

After a week or two they will probably like to make their own alterations or additions, so that the Ceremony becomes really their own.

# APRIL

by Elizabeth Pleydell-Bouverie

*'Summer is i-cumen in Loud now sing cuckoo.'*

SUMMER must have started earlier in the year in those days, but the cuckoo is an April bird all right, and in good company; for the summer migrants come flooding in this month, and can be seen by town, seaside, and country folk alike. You can continue the 'I saw it first' game, and add 'I smelt it first', for you will encounter the most entrancing scents, May, Primrose and Cowslips, Wild Currant, Garden Daphne, and many others.

Before your Guides and Brownies start planning country excursions, a few hints about 'Do's and Don'ts' of the countryside might not come amiss. The C.P.R.E. and other bodies have very good charts and leaflets if you need help over this. And by now you should be well away with camp plans; if you are not able to run your own camp the sooner you get in touch with your local Camp Adviser the better, because she, too, will be planning, and will like to know who wants help.

I have often wondered why so many of the early flowers are yellow. Could it be Nature's way of arousing the interest of the still rather sleepy bees, wasps, and other insects? Be that as it may, the honey-loving creatures will be out in force on bright days this month, you may see Queen wasps, and many of the loveliest butterflies and moths. Underground, and in nests and piles of leaves Spring's message has also penetrated, dormice, hedgehogs, and others emerge from their winter siesta, and bats begin to flutter around at night. I can remember when I was a child hearing the high-pitched squeak

of bats, so your Guides and Brownies may be able to, though as one gets older the range of one's hearing becomes narrower.

Do you realize that 4 out of the 10 Second Class tests must be completed out of doors; hoisting colours and delivering a message by public telephone involve being out of doors, and Kim's game can just as well be done with natural things? Equally, many of the First Class tests are out-of-doors ones, rope throwing, compass reading, hiking, knowing your neighbourhood, etc. Do not be satisfied until your Company takes it for granted that all these are done out of doors, and you will soon find that they make it possible to practise for and pass most of the other ones outside as well.

If you can get easily to some place where there are trees and shrubs, a compass and tree trail can be fun, and need not take long, though it does need preparation beforehand. Each Patrol is given a compass, and a list of instructions which would read something like this: 'start from the beech tree by the gate, go North-West for 10 paces to another beech, 15 paces from there due East to a May tree' and so on. There would also be an instruction to bring one leaf from each tree, in the right order, and to vary the game a message could be hidden at one of the points. A small Treasure to be found at





the last tree would, of course, add to the excitement.

It should be possible to fix a short obstacle race even in quite a small space, involving some climbing, some balancing, even some jumping, blindfold steering, etc. Brownies enjoy this too, and under the stimulus of competition may overcome fears of standing on a wall, moving in the dark, climbing a ladder, etc. There should of course be a strong someone at each point, to prevent accidents.

The 'cover a mile at Scout's pace' test could be more fun if it involved telephoning, or delivering an urgent message, or catching a bus, meeting someone at a certain point on the route at a definite time, etc. Just to run and walk 'to the crossroads and back' seems rather pointless by itself.

Your First-Class candidates might well spend a little time looking round the district near by to find examples of Thrift or lack of it. Compost heaps, gates tied with string, neatly mended washing on a line, children's bicycles left out in the rain, and that kind of thing, may help them to realise how wide a scope there is for saving. You could at the same time point out to the Company or Pack that the Thrift badge may be held by any enrolled Brownie or Guide, and so might well be the first badge worn on their right arms!

Here is a quick activity game: at four or more points round the field, yard, etc., put a pile of

counters, beans, matches, etc., one sort in each place. On the word go, everyone must fetch one object from each point, and the first Patrol all standing in a straight line with their beans, counters, etc. sorted in separate piles, wins. Alternatively you can call a number, and name two of the objects, and the Guides of that number bring the objects to you, the first correct arrival gaining a point.

THE GUIDER is fifty years old this year; looking through a 1914 GIRL GUIDE GAZETTE, I came across a rather fanciful letter from a Guide to Marcus Woodward, talking of fairies in cowslips, etc., but we can still learn from Marcus Woodward's comment:

'It is an excellent matter when you go for a walk to look for birds . . . . . and all the wild flowers. It is an excellent matter to make a neat map of your route . . . . . noting from where the wind is blowing, and where the compass needle points. But it is a better thing to see the fairies. It is a prosaic world today, and happy are those who are wise enough to be simple still and keep the heart of a child.'

So encourage your Guides and Brownies to 'See the splendour of the morning, hear the jubilant songs of love, and smell the breath of the Springtime.'

## CAMP SERIES 1964

# Making the Best of Camp

## 2. Patrol Camping by Anne de Fonblanque



ARE you looking for new ideas for camp this year? Have you thought about Patrol camping?

Do I hear a murmur of 'Don't be silly, how could we? Not enough experience or equipment'? That's just not true—if you started planning now, I'm sure you could. But you MUST start now!

First, of course, the Court of Honour must be consulted and the Patrols must agree to the idea (if it's put over with enthusiasm I'm sure they will!). Then you start in earnest on your PLAN. This could be fourfold:—

1. Basic camp training.
2. Equipment.
3. Food and menus.
4. Organization and programmes.

### 1. BASIC CAMP TRAINING

It is absolutely essential that all Guides really know their basic camp skills: bed and gadget

making (not just lashing); care of tent (names of parts and how to brail and slacken guys and knock in pegs if you cannot manage pitching practice); what sort of wood to collect (not very dead, or green, etc., as well as *species*) and how to stack it; how to deal with refuse, greasy water, ashes, etc.; simple first aid; colour ceremonial; etc. etc. Much of this is included in Second Class, but a special 'Camp Challenge Card' might spur them on that extra bit!

### 2. EQUIPMENT

Let the Patrols make a list of what they think they need. Then make three lists:—

- (a) What can be provided from your usual source of supply (Company, District equipment, etc.).
- (b) What extra bits and pieces the Patrols need to acquire.
- (c) What the 'central' camp will need.



### (a) FROM THE SOURCE OF SUPPLY

A lot depends on what you have, what your site is like, and the length of the camp.

**Tents.** Make sure they are adequate. The Guides may have to spend some time in them if you have bad weather—so there must be room for eating. If in doubt, a small tent where kit could be put during the day would help.

**Screening.** This of course depends on what you have—though I think one wash-house per Patrol for a week is essential. Lats can be more easily shared.

**Groundsheets.** One each for sleeping. Some old ones for wooding and wood-pile if you have them.

**Sitters**—either their own individual ones or the usual Company ones.

**Kitchen Equipment.** Don't just share out everything you own. Big dixies will take up too much room on the fire, but an old one for hot water might come in useful. Share out bowls and buckets, small jugs, etc.—but don't give too much—it will only bewilder them and they will find it more difficult to keep tidy.

### (b) THE PATROL'S OWN EQUIPMENT

Fire-grids, pig and refuse buckets, grease-pit traps, teapots, small frypans and dixies, small bowls and jugs—they will all need these things, which probably cannot be found in the usual camp equipment. But don't let it worry you—it is surprising what the Guides will produce. One Dad will produce the grids, another large paint tins for refuse, etc., etc. Just sit back and wait and you'll see what you'll see.

Hold-alls, pot-holders, string bags, notice boards, woodpile covers (if you've not enough old ground-sheets), tins and boxes for 1st Aid sets and food—they will love to make all these themselves, and the diversity of ideas is wonderful!

### (c) 'CENTRAL' CAMP

What the 'central' camp needs again depends on the site and length of camp: store tent, 1st Aid tent, flag-pole, possibly a hot water bin, and of course a few bits and pieces for the staff!

You may feel you need a wet-weather shelter; but if it would mean hiring one at great cost, you probably will not think it worth the money, but it again depends so much on your own circumstances.

## 3. FOOD AND MENUS

To many girls, the joy of cooking their own meals is the greatest adventure—so don't take the gilt off the gingerbread by making *one* menu, and just doling out the food. Let them make their own. Tell them how much they can spend, discuss last year's menu, and what can and cannot be cooked in camp. Then,

having decided how many meals you are having altogether during the camp, let the Patrols loose on their own menus and lists of stores.

A fair amount of help will be needed, especially over quantities, but where possible let them have their *own* stores list, and order just for their own Patrol (think of the thrill of finding a box marked 'Robin Patrol' with their *own* stores in it when they arrive on the site). Of course there will be some things that need to be ordered in bulk—possibly potatoes, bread (if it comes only once or twice a week), flour, biscuits—but where possible give each Patrol at least a few days' supply: don't just 'dole out' before each meal. Order some extra emergency supplies to be kept in central store in case of accidents, as, of course, one normally does.

The question of a communal meal every day must be left to each individual camp to discuss. But if you do have one, please don't make it the midday meal every day. I think there is good reason to have something together once a day, but you could vary the meal—possibly after a day out a hot stew from a central hay-box would be appreciated by everyone. And don't you think that this is where a Calor Gas stove might find a niche in a Guide camp?

## 4. ORGANIZATION AND PROGRAMME

This, like so much else, falls into several parts.

- (a) The 'central' organization.
- (b) The Patrol organization.
- (c) The Guiders' part.

### (a) CENTRAL ORGANIZATION

Discuss how much or how little you are going to do together. Colours, prayers, camp-fire? How much in the way of organized camp activities?

Arrange about times that must coincide. Getting-up, and lights-out. Meal-times really should aim to be the same, for the sake of the rest of the programme; then to plan the rest. Leave plenty of time for jobs to be done (better allow too much than too little)—and make sure that they really have a good rest hour.

### (b) PATROL ORGANIZATION

How you plan your activities will depend once again on your site, and on the Company and its experience. If you are only in camp for a weekend, maybe the Patrols would prefer to run the entire day themselves, with perhaps just camp-fire all together. But if you are camping for a week, some activities run by the Guiders for everyone would give the P.L.s. breathing-space and time to be 'off duty' for a little—something like wide games or expeditions or scavenger hunts would fill this bill.

What about challenges? Either 'long term' (hut



building, rope ladders, whittling, etc.) or 'sharp' challenges put up unexpectedly—'Find six leaves and make prints'—something that would occupy one or two Guides when their orderly work is over. What about a theme (Hiawatha, for instance) that would give you plenty of scope for challenges and things to do?

### (c) THE GUIDERS' PART

This brings me to the last part—*The Guiders' part*; and this is not as easy as one might think. One must know when to stand back and watch, and when to help (and how to do it without making the Leader feel she's failed), remembering that, while learning from their mistakes and being left to put them right is excellent for the Company, we

must not allow our basic standards to disappear. If well set tents and good gadgets are necessary in a Company camp, so they are in Patrol camps, and so on. The Guides must be prepared to do a great deal of incidental training, respecting always the fact that the P.L. is Commandant of her own small camp.

Much can be done through the daily Court of Honour, for which ample time must be allowed: not easy? No; but—if you *do* try this adventure, stop if you can for a moment in the middle of it—look around you and think, 'If the ghost of B.-P. stood here, would his heart not rejoice to see the Patrol system, one of the essentials of Guiding, being really put into action?'



by Lois Benyon

**A**t a Patrol Leaders' Training, announce that you have heard that a famous impresario is looking for new talent and in particular is interested in bands. The auditions will be held in four weeks' time at your Company meeting-place. (Could Brown Owl be persuaded to be the impresario?) The impresario is looking for original ideas and will base his choice on four points:—

(a) The programme given should last from 5-10 minutes.

(b) The programme should be as varied as possible. Items may be instrumental or vocal and instrumental.

(c) Marks will be given for the variety, originality, and execution of the instruments used.

Instruments should all be home-made.

(d) Marks will also be given for the actual standard of performance.

At the P.Ls.' Training have ready a wide variety of waste materials that could be used by the Guides for making instruments. Show them various possibilities. Let them then experiment to make others. The following instruments are easily and cheaply made:—

The open end of a round tin box covered either with a piece of rubber (old ground sheet, hot water bottle) or a piece of architect's tracing-paper, makes a drum. The material is secured in position by a thick rubber band and the tin painted.

Tins when filled with materials such as marbles, paper clips, etc. make shakers. The lids should be secured with Sellotape and the tins painted.

Two ice cream cartons can be filled and joined

with Sellotape. Washing-up liquid containers give a good variation of sound.

The bases of wooden date boxes make clappers. Pieces of old broom handle form rhythm sticks. All campers will be aware of the value of combs covered with tissue paper, and pan lids as cymbals!

More ambitious Guides may try melodic instruments. Medicine bottles of the same size filled with different amounts of water can be tuned so as to give the notes of a scale. The bottles are blown gently across the neck, or struck with metal.

It is necessary to give four weeks' notice for this activity as the waste materials need to be collected by the Guides. A rough outline for meetings after the P.Ls.' meeting would be:—

**1st week.** P.L. tells the Guides what to collect.

**2nd week.** Guides make instruments (and finish them at home).

**3rd week.** Guides rehearse items.

**4th week.** Impresario visits the Company meeting.

Thirty minutes per meeting would be sufficient time to devote to this activity.

The last evening will produce a lively and entertaining if somewhat noisy show. The Guides will have worked together as a Patrol to create original and inventive compositions. The P.L. will have exercised forethought and will have organized the Patrol so that each member has given something to the performance. Individual Guides may have gained ideas for Child Nurse Badge (how to amuse a young child) or Entertainer Badge or the thrift clause in First Class Badge. But above all, everyone will have had great fun.



# BROWNIES OUT AND ABOUT (2)

by Gladys Potter



**SPRING FEVER!** That restless impatience with winter and our settled existence indoors leads us to toil away at spring-cleaning, making everything fresh and clean and sweet for the summer that lies ahead. Do your Brownies know the beginning of *The Wind in the Willows* where Mole is spring-cleaning his home? Let them help you to spring-clean the box or cupboard in which the Brownie equipment is kept. So often at home even a Brownie is in the way at such times, and yet helping with spring-cleaning is excellent training in tidiness. Let them help to decide what is too old or dirty to be kept and what is still usable. If they have decided on the best arrangement of the shelves in a cupboard they will be very insistent on everything being returned to its appointed place at the end of every meeting. The habit of **TIDINESS INDOORS** will help towards a love of **TIDINESS OUT-OF-DOORS**. Your Brownies will be less likely to throw down litter and to leave gates open. They will be more careful of other people's property because they have learned to care for their own.

## GROWING FLOWERS

Gardening is so satisfying an activity that, even if growing a plant were not in the Golden Hand test, there would be reason enough for introducing it to our Brownies.

Some Packs have a piece of ground that can be cultivated as a community effort, which entitles them to try for a Pack Proficiency Badge, but this is not always possible. Why not try, in this the Brownies' own Jubilee Year, when they are all thinking of **The Flower Good Turn**, to encourage every Brownie to grow a few flowers at home. A little preliminary consultation with parents may be necessary on your part to ensure that each Brownie has a small plot of ground to call her own or at least enough for one row of flowers. This is where your good relations with the parents, built up right from the beginning of the Brownie's life in the Pack, will come in useful. Let each Brownie decide which of a list of suitable annuals she would like to grow and give her enough seeds for her need. In this way a few sixpenny packets can be made to go a long way. Give the Brownies some advice and instruction on preparing the ground, sowing the seeds, and thinning out or transplanting. When the flowers—the candytuft, marigolds, poppies, eschscholtzias, clarkia, etc.—are

reported to be at their best, take all or part of the Pack to each garden to admire the result.

Some Brownies, of course, have no gardens, but what could be better for brightening a back yard than a pot or box of flowers? And could the Brownie who lives in a flat be paired off with some more fortunate friend to share her garden and the joy of working in it? Even if this is not possible, could some help be enlisted—perhaps from Rangers and Rovers or from parents—in making window boxes if you have any means of getting some wood cheaply? If not, wonders can be worked with large flower pots. Earth has to be begged—but perhaps the Trefoil Guild might help to provide it and Rovers and Rangers help to transport it.

## FEEDING THE BIRDS

Do your Brownies feed the birds not spasmodically but regularly? Do they know the right kind of food to put out? Fat, bacon-rind, marrow-bones, cheese or cheese rind cut up small, nuts, raisins, and seeds will, in most areas, attract a fairly wide variety of birds—not only in the winter but also in the nesting-season, extra food being needed for the young.

There is no better way to begin bird-watching than by watching from a window the birds that come regularly to visit a well-stocked bird table or even a window-ledge. They are unlikely to be rare birds, but you cannot spot a rare bird until you are familiar with the common ones. Your knowledge grows bit by bit. If you know just how a house sparrow and his mate look and behave at the bird table, then you cannot possibly mistake a hen chaffinch for one of them, and so on.

Find out which of your Brownies have concrete clothes-line posts in their gardens—the kind that have a wooden peg near the top and a hole through the concrete lower down, and show them how to make a simple bird-table. See **THE BROWNIE** of 1st April.

The Brownies will probably have other ideas to fit different situations. Half coconut shells make good feeding-bowls to hang from the lower branches of trees; nuts can be threaded on a piece of wire. Any idea is good as long as it does not entice the birds within the reach of cats.

Suggest to the Brownies that they can keep a record of the things they notice about the birds. Provide a suitable reference book in which they can 'look up' their birds at the Pack meeting. Stimulate their interest by asking questions in Pow-wow.

Remember how many thousands of birds are said to have been saved in the bitter weather last year by the housewives of Britain, and remember that our Brownies are housewives of the future.



# ORIENTEERING FOR THE HANDICAPPED

by Brenda Morton

**O**RIENTEERING—Well, that's impossible for the handicapped!

Admittedly, no physically handicapped person can cover a cross-country course of a few miles. But since orienteering was introduced from Sweden it has been soaring in popularity and it does seem a pity if our P.H. Companies can only watch other Guides and Rangers glowing with enthusiasm about this new sport.

It is a challenge. If Extension Section Guiders have managed to adapt practically everything else in the Guide and Ranger programme, surely we can do something about orienteering?

## WHAT IS ORIENTEERING?

It is competitive way-finding.

The basic idea is to mark numbered control points on a key map. Usually they are marked by an arrow-shaped bit of paper. At each control point is a coloured bag, containing a distinctive rubber stamp, tied to a stick. Each competitor, or small team, has a postcard divided into numbered squares, map, and compass.

Timekeeper checks competitors or teams away at two minute intervals. They go to key map, mark control points on their own map, then visit each one in order, stamping their card at each one. Timekeeper checks them back and winner is the competitor or team (a team must all arrive together) who took the least time.

The winner is not necessarily the fastest runner. Skill in map-reading is needed to select the fastest course between two points—it may not be the shortest course—plus ability to follow a compass bearing if a cross-country route is chosen.

## VARIATIONS

- (a) Go by bicycle and use roads or footpaths only.
- (b) Plan a short course to be followed entirely by compass bearings and distances.
- (c) Describe points by grid references. (Saves damaging maps by marking them or the laborious task of copying maps on paper so that they can be marked.)
- (d) Do it in a town using street maps. These are fairly easy to reproduce and can be marked.

## ADAPTATIONS

In adapting any activity pick out the most characteristic points and keep them.

In orienteering these are:

- 1 A KEY MAP on which control points are marked.

- 2 A POSTCARD ruled in numbered squares for each competitor or team and a map.
- 3 CONTROL POINTS. Keep to the idea of a gaily coloured bag containing a distinctive marking agent. Never give card to Guider to be marked. In orienteering the Guider is nowhere near the control points. So keep this vital difference by letting the competitor reach the bag and mark her own card.
- 4 DANGER POINT. Make one firm rule. The competitor selects a route between two control points by eyesight and reasoning—and sticks to it. In any adapted version where the competitor is not actually travelling the course it is all too easy to select and measure one route, then measure an alternative route and record the shortest!

## POST COMPANIES

Judge results on shortest distance covered rather than time taken.

1 Street Maps. Key map, with control points marked, fastened into meeting. Next page has small envelopes (coloured or decorated?) numbered for Control Points, each containing different coloured gummed paper shapes. Give each Guide or Ranger a map (traced through carbon paper?) and record postcard. She chooses quickest route between points, draws along the streets, and stamps her card at each control point.

2 Ordnance Survey Maps. Enclose map. Head page with words 'Key Map' and on this page, list control points. (Grid references or names of prominent places such as towns, villages, farmhouses. Route to be by road only, page illustrated with bicycles or cars, or cross-country on foot, remembering to go round lakes, cross rivers by bridges and so on.) Control point envelopes follow and Guide only needs record card to stamp and note distance between points. If desired, brief description of chosen route can be requested separately. A portion of a map is sufficient providing measuring scale is given.

## WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Is anybody reading this and muttering cynically 'But this is just map-reading'? If a person cannot really follow her chosen route across country, then of course it is just the map-reading she is doing. But orienteering is fashionable and exciting. If we use the new word, with its system of control points, a tremendous amount of solid map-reading tuition will be absorbed by the Guides and Rangers, who will have the thrill of being 'with it'.

*Next Month: Adaptions for P.H. Companies meeting in a Hall*



# LET US PRAY

by Sheila Reid

'I saw a swan—its feathers were shining in the sun.'

'I picked a rose in the garden when the dew was still on its petals.'

'I saw a stained glass window in church on Sunday.'

And so Company prayers begin, with the Patrols describing something that has impressed its beauty upon them. I have found that from this beginning worship and prayer grow naturally, and Guides learn to thank God spontaneously for beauty and to recognize his bounty behind these gifts.

How many of us, I wonder, shirk Guides' Own or Company Prayers because of the embarrassment we feel, or because of the suppressed giggles and obvious unrest of the Company. Yet how often we fail to see the link between the two. Our embarrassment reflects on the children and they react accordingly. They will be quick to recognize a sincere act of worship; and if we begin by thanking God for the beauty we have each seen, we shall find our shyness melting in the warmth of communion. Even the shyest Guide will tell her Patrol Leader of some object of beauty she has known and so will share in the general act of thanksgiving.

One of the great difficulties in an open Company is the various denominations from which the Guides are drawn. To some an Anglican form of worship is strange, to others the extempore prayer of the Nonconformist is equally so. Yet there is one meeting-ground where all denominations can worship: the meeting-ground is silence. In a world in which there is almost constant noise—a background of radio music, the roar of traffic, the drone of aircraft—the value of silence increases daily.

After the initial act of thanksgiving while our minds are full of the beauty of the world, it is an easy step to silent worship. A few moments of complete silence, in which we become aware of God, will help us all to share fully in the ensuing worship. If, in Company Prayers and Guides' Own, we can give to our Guides a realization of the strength of silence, we shall, I believe, do much to fit them for the strain and stress of modern life. And let us always remember that God was heard, not in the earthquake, not in the fire, not in the mighty rushing wind, but as a still, small voice.

One of the deepest experiences of worship I have had was in a church in Germany where the congregation was drawn from three countries, speaking three languages. We could not share fully in the hymns, prayers, and sermon; but at the close of the

Service the lights were dimmed and, kneeling, we felt the strength and unity of a silence that linked us not only together but to God.

The word 'worship' is derived from an old Anglo-Saxon word *weorthscipe*—or 'worth-ship'. Worship is perhaps man's effort to be worthy of God—a response to God.

In camp this response to God comes naturally and easily after a day spent in the sun, wind, and rain. In the quiet field as the dusk cloaks the trees, and the birds sing their evening song, worship is effortless.

But how different it is in an overcrowded hall, with its peeling distemper and ugly pictures, with all the noise of the street in our ears. If we have learned to worship only in beauty and peace we have not surely known a true 'worth-ship'. It is the response to God that springs from drabness and uncongenial surroundings, the effort to be worthy even amid unworthiness, that is real worship. We can bring to our meeting-room a small picture, a vase of flowers, a gramophone record, a poem, and from the contemplation of this forget our surroundings. I am quite sure that one of the most valuable lessons a Guides' Own or Company Prayers can teach is that worship is not confined to certain places or certain days, but is a natural response to God at all times and in all places.

There is a story told of a person who went for the first time to a Quaker Meeting. Puzzled by the silence and apparent inactivity, he whispered to the elderly Quaker beside him, 'When does the Service begin?' 'The service begins,' was the reply, 'when the Meeting is over.'

The service of the Guide Company should spring also from its worship. 'To worship rightly,' says the hymn, 'is to love each other.' In Guides' Own it is possible to discuss with Guides the implications of a practical Christianity. The service we undertake may be insignificant; but if it is undertaken with love and a true spirit of service it is, nevertheless, sacred. It is through Company good turns that we are able to show our Guides that worship is not a matter of word or thought only, but depends for its life and vitality on its deeds. It may sometimes be possible to arrange for a social worker to come to Guides' Own and to outline ways in which Guides can help in Children's Homes, Old People's Hostels, or hospitals.

Guide worship, whether it is in Company Prayers or in Guides' Own, must be essentially simple. Music, gratitude, silence, discussion, poetry, art can



all have a place; but it is upon us that the ultimate responsibility rests. A little girl was once asked for a definition of a saint and, remembering the ones she had seen portrayed in stained glass windows, she replied, 'A saint is a person who lets the light shine through.'

We may feel inadequate, shy, awkward, ill-

#### A NOTE FROM THE WORLD BUREAU 132 Ebury Street, London, S.W.1

THE DEMAND for sets of colour slides following the notice in the February GUIDER far exceeded expectations, and all the sets were fully booked out. We were exceedingly sorry to disappoint many people, and we are more than grateful for so much co-operation and willingness to book sets of slides for later dates.

We are now busily compiling further sets and hope, in time, to have sets of colour slides covering various aspects of Guiding/Girl Scouting in all Member Countries of the **World Association**. Details of the sets available will be sent to anyone who sends a stamped addressed envelope.

TO HIRE: per set for 3 days (exclusive of days in transit): 5s. (postage 6d. extra).

TO BUY: 50s. per set (post free).

Each set contains 25 different pictures with a full commentary.

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appears to be popular belief judging by the number of letters starting 'Dear Sirs . . .' Far from being a staff of men at the World Bureau, the sixteen members, of several nationalities, are entirely feminine!] V.A.

#### WORLD GUIDING

WE HAVE had a useful reminder from Miss G. M. GRANT, a Maidstone, Kent, Brown Owl, who points out that new Guiders may not be familiar with the fact that Thinking Day Pennies should be sent to the Thinking Day Fund, World Bureau, 132 Ebury Street, London, S.W.1, and may not have been introduced to THE COUNCIL FIRE, the quarterly magazine published by the World Association (annual subscription, 5s.; single copies, 1s. 3d.). We regret that we did not publish the Thinking Day note, but it is not too late to assure readers that THE COUNCIL FIRE is a mine of interesting information and news about World Guiding, and an invaluable source of material for stories to tell in the Camp-Fire circle or the Brownie Pow-wow Ring.

## IN MEMORIAM

THE DEATH of **Sister Cornish** last November meant a sad loss to Tonbridge Division. As a Sister in the Church Army, she was from the early days an enthusiastic Guider in Oldham, Shoreditch, and Holborn. She was staunch in her belief that the Church and the Guide Movement could help each other, and, on coming to work in Paddock Wood in 1943, she started the 2nd Paddock Wood (St. Andrew's) Pack, and in 1947 the Guide Company. She continued to serve as Brown Owl, but resigned from the Company in 1956.

K. H. McINTOSH

**Miss Alice Marion Dobson** ('Dobbin' to her many Guide friends), formerly of High Biggin, Windermere, died at Packway, Windermere, the home of her niece, on 29th December, 1963, at the age of 91.

A pioneer in the establishment of the 1st Windermere Girl Guide Company, she became the first District Commissioner in 1918; she carried on this work until 1942, and in addition, during the 1939-45 War, when she was 70 years of age, she used to cycle six miles to the Ethel Hedley Hospital, where she gave much help and courage to many handicapped children and enrolled them into the Guide Movement.

Miss Dobson was Westmorland's first County Trefoil Guild Recorder and a much loved Member of the Windermere Trefoil Guild, and will long be re-

membered by all who knew her. A kind, understanding, generous-hearted, courageous, and truly remarkable woman.

A MEMBER OF THE TREFOIL GUILD

AIREDALE DIVISION, Yorks. Central, has sustained a great loss in the death, on 28th January, of their Commissioner, **Rhona Walker**. For over 30 years Mrs. Walker served Guiding in the Division, as Brown Owl, District Secretary, District Commissioner, and finally as Division Commissioner. Those who knew her came to admire her courage and cheerfulness in face of incurable illness, especially during the last few months of her life. To the end she was thinking about others and making plans for future Guiding.

M.R.

By THE death, on 31st January, of **Miss Dorothy Foster**, Buckinghamshire lost a friend to whom the County owes much. As lieutenant, Dorothy Foster helped to start the 1st Farnham Common Coy., in 1919; thereafter, as Captain, Burnham District Commissioner, C.A., and for thirteen years C.C.A., she gave quiet, thoughtful leadership in the Movement. Her serenity, her interest and belief in people, her sense of humour, drew out the best in those with whom she worked. Dot Foster set high standards—but always in an atmosphere of happiness. To her musical leadership many Guiders owe their enjoyment of Camp-Fire singing.

P.S.B.





# Points of View



## 'Don't be a Square'

I WAS so pleased and surprised to read your Comment of the Month (March GUIDER) because last week, at our Guiders' Club, we had an evening called 'Don't be a Square'. We invited a group of young people to get us old Guiders up to date, with clothes, dances, and language of the moment. How we all enjoyed it! Now we know what 'Gear' means and 'Gear Gear'. They showed us the Lift, the Shake, the Twist and the Stomp. Most of us agreed that you certainly need plenty of energy to do the dances of today. And we all had a try at the Stomp. Someone took some photos of us, and we hope to show our Guides that Captain is *not* a Square.

We were also brought up to date on all the 'groups', with pictures of the Rolling Stones, Beatles, etc. And the kind of clothes Mods and Rockers wear, and whether they like Jazz or Rhythm and Blues.

They certainly gave us something to think about!

(MRS.) E. G. CHALK

[Captain, 4th Bournemouth Guide Coy.]

## Using 'The Brownie' Magazine

I was very interested to read the article on 'mutilated Brownies' in last July's GUIDER. I am Tawny Owl of two Packs.

I staple the charts from THE BROWNIE at one corner so that the Brownies can easily turn them over.

I stick the strips on Semaphore into a book, and I usually type out the 'Promise Corners' and short stories, because then I can sort them out.

The testwork hints go into a folder, which goes to Brownies each week. The hints on badges are stapled together.

I think THE BROWNIE is an excellent magazine and well worth fourpence.

HELEN GOULD

[Tawny Owl, 56th and 72nd Leeds Packs]

[Would Guiders also show THE BROWNIE to parents, and suggest Brownies take it for home use?]

## Brownies' Teeth

WHILE *teeth* are a national 'gimmick', has it been suggested that the Brownie should put special emphasis on them in her Golden Bar test? She could keep a special record for one week of the number of times she cleans her teeth after meals (after the style of the Guide's First Class Health card). A record could be kept on a special 'Brush Chart', which C.H.Q. could publish inexpensively, the handle being coloured by the Brownie, and this could be kept in the Six Home when she has completed her week's test.

ROSE LITTLECHILD (Mrs.)

*Is this not the sort of chart Brown Owls prefer the Brownies to make for themselves, as demonstrated in*

THE BROWNIE of 14th August, 1963? Do all Brownies know about the Brownie toothbrush (C.H.Q. 1s. 3d., post 6d.)

## Thinking Day Pennies

ON 22ND FEBRUARY I, as Division President, was invited by our Division Commissioner to receive the contributions for the Thinking Day Fund, which will be forwarded to the World Bureau.

Can you imagine the surprise and delight I felt when each Guide or Brownie, representing her Company or Pack, gave me a handful of beautiful pennies and halfpennies they had polished, and as I 'posted' them in the Chalet that had been prepared for them they shone like burnished gold. The collection amounted to £7, but £3 4s. of this was in copper coins—many going back to Queen Victoria's reign. I was so thrilled I wanted to tell others about it, and to remind Guiders of the pleasure their efforts can bring to their visitors.

PHYLLIS WELLS-BLADEN

[Division President, Stone, Staffs.]

## 'Identification Marks'

WOULD NOT the cost of present-day Guiding be reduced if Guiders were to give up badge-hunting? I recently spent nearly two hours sticking and writing in the amendments to my new copy of P.O.R. In the 'Uniform' section I note that the Chief Commissioner and Chairman of the Executive of the Council shall now wear three red bars on their cockades, so that their Deputies can have two, and the Chairman of a Sub-Committee can have one.

Are these and other identification marks necessary, and who benefits from them, apart from the makers of the badges? Most Guides know their own Guiders by sight, and rarely see anyone 'above' their own Division Commissioner, except as a vague and distant 'platform party'. Should they not treat every Guider with respect, without waiting to check up on how many red bars she is wearing? The general public does not understand the significance of these bits and pieces, even if it notices them, and surely Guiders can appreciate each other's work and grant each other due courtesy without the use of labels.

Without badges it would be more difficult, at trainings and conferences, to distinguish the experienced from the greenhorns, but would it matter?

Apart from the few shillings saved by each Guider if she did not have to buy 'distinguishing marks', think of the man hours saved at C.H.Q. by not having to sort, store, dispatch, and account for them, not to mention the pages that could be cut from P.O.R.

HELENE GORNALL

[1st Garstang Coy., Lancs.]



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# How to Convert Your Old Uniform

**K**EEPING ONE'S UNIFORM in line with current fashion can be expensive, and as being thrifty has been instilled into us since Brownie days we need little other excuse to cling to our old uniforms. When the new style coats and skirts came in they were treated with kindly tolerance, but the time has now come when the belted jacket may really be regarded as 'square'—and perhaps it gives that impression in more ways than one!

When we are in uniform we are in the public eye and the Movement is judged by our appearance and bearing. We need young Guiders: are we likely to get them if we still persist in looking as if we were living in the 1930s? Skirt hems may go up, and down, and up again, a new hat and a new shirt may be added from time to time, but the day inevitably comes when the hasty look in the mirror shows that really one's best uniform is sadly out of date, and it is quite obvious that one is entitled to wear a long service knot.

This happened to me! My battle blouse and skirt were fit only for hikes and the camp-site, and my coat and skirt looked all right over a white shirt on 'state' occasions. Something had to be done, but there

was still the question of expense, and after all my coat and skirt were still good. After much deliberation and studying in the mirror, I decided that alteration was possible; so gathering all my courage I unpicked with great care four patch pockets from the jacket and two from the skirt. But the jacket was still too long. So I undid the bottom and carefully measured 4 in. (you may require more or less) from the lower edge and, feeling that this was the end of my uniform, cut off this piece. I cut the lining to match and made up the lower edge once more. The buttons were then moved 2 in. to make the jacket looser (it is still slightly shaped in the waist). I then pressed the jacket and hurried off to the cleaners and asked for special attention to be paid to the places marked by pocket stitching.

The result was a new uniform for 5s.—what more could I ask? My friends really thought that it was a new uniform and an official of B.E.A. at London Airport said, 'Excuse me, Madam, but what is your uniform—it is so smart!' Take courage and try—I have no specialist knowledge of tailoring.

V. MARCHBANK

[Dis. Com., Clacton East, Essex E.]

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*Contributed by* A. D. EVERETT, Div. Com., Hurst Castle, Hants., and C. M. R. BIRNEY, Capt., 1st New Milton Coy., Hants. (illustrator).

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HELEN GIBBS



# Impressions of Thinking Day

MY P.L.S. had to instruct me—the Thinking Day ceremony was invented after my time. I did as requested, and bought tapers and, as a surprise, a large map of the world (a bargain at 3s. 6d., I thought!). They told me the pennies should be laid on the Company Colour, but this is old (we embroidered it ourselves 34 years ago and the silk is thin): I thought it wiser to use the map.

The Brownies had been invited to come too, and we were told what was to happen and discussed the reason for it. Then we had a good look at the map, to make sure we knew where the pennies and three-pennies were to go. The tapers were distributed, and we formed a horseshoe, with the map at the open end. Guides and Brownies stood where they wished, not in Patrols or Sixes, to show we are all one in the Movement.

After a moment's darkness (having been told this was to happen, not even the smallest Brownie was alarmed), the first taper was lit, and the first coin laid. As each girl came and lit her taper from the first one, she said, 'I light my taper for the Guides of . . . , and lay my penny on . . . , and may my thoughts and my light shine for the Guides of . . . '

Then, after a moment's stillness and a short prayer, Tawny turned up the light and every one blew out her taper with a mighty puff.

It seemed to me, long absent from the Movement, to be symbolic of the special quality Guiding must provide in the second half of the twentieth century.

We have travelled far from the early days, when Guiding was one of the most valuable means of releasing women from the restrictions of artificial convention and inadequate education. These bonds have long since disintegrated in the explosions and pressures of two World Wars. The skills, the companionship, the unobtrusive training in maturity and judgment, the encouragement of improved behaviour patterns, are as valuable as they ever were—in some respects perhaps even more valuable, since the children of today leap to adulthood too fast for many of them. But in a special way Guiding stands for friendship as never before, in a world that must have friendship or perish.

It may be that the small Brownie who put her penny on Mongolia—I had not the heart to dissuade her—was but anticipating that day to come when there will be no spaces on the map where the Guide Movement cannot flourish, and the sisterhood everywhere will grow up in a world truly in peace, where all may make our Promise.

They were only tapers on that February night, but those small lights had a golden warmth—could it be that from them the great light shall be kindled; that, because it comes from the Source of all light, shall at the last bring forth the days when there is no darkness at all?

G. M. F. TAIT  
[Captain, 4th Rock Ferry Company]

THE GUIDER

I KNOW that a parson's wife has her time pretty well filled,' ran the letter from the District Commissioner, 'but we do need someone to keep a look out in the villages for likely Guiders—a small subscription and only *one* meeting a year if you can't manage more.'

With the resolve that it must stop at *one* meeting, I paid up and set off one autumn evening through the twisting Cornish lanes to meet my D.C. and such other Local Association Members as she had managed to persuade. Three of these also proved to be parsons' wives, and I wondered why the Paul Report had remained silent on the development of *our* time!

My only assets, I told the meeting, were the hazy memory of myself as an ardent Brownie in the 1920's. ['Mummy, were Brownie uniforms ankle length in those days?'] and an enthusiastic Girl Guide daughter. Urged by a feeling that I ought to be 'lending a hand', I said I would 'do my best', and was not a little surprised to find the old promises piercing the crust of forty years!

They asked, 'Could I help with testing for Badges?'

'Good gracious, Mummy, what do you think *you* could do?' cried my daughter at hearing this. I suggested that I had at least fed, clothed, and nursed her for thirteen years, and possibly the experience gained might help with some of the homelier badges. What about the countless buns buttered and endless cups of tea poured at parish gatherings through the years? *That* should qualify me to test for the Hostess Badge!

'Mummy's only tidied the house today 'cos you've come to take your test, and I can't find any of my toys,' wailed a friend's youngest to an embarrassed Guide. Well, my daughter should be sufficiently adroit at answering the Vicarage door not to let me down like that, thank goodness!

So to Thinking Day—my first.

'Have you had a good "thunk?"' the Vicar enquired on our return.

We certainly had, and been entertained too! Despite varying talents, 200 Guides and Brownies mimed their way vividly through the most illuminating Badge activities and held us spellbound for two hours.

When massed Cornish voices joined the hunt to find who was eating what in the Quartermaster's Store, thirty years of one L.A.'s life seemed to have drifted into the curling woodsmoke of a camp-fire at Yorks Wood near Birmingham. Will the Beatle 'hits' pass from one generation to another, I wonder?

Quiet, and a little solemn as we watched the final ceremony of lighting the candles. . . . 'Today we are thinking of our Founder, of Lady Baden-Powell, of all Guiders, Rangers, Guides, and Brownies—everywhere.' A candle was lit for each recollection, and two small nightlights for the Brownies.

Slowly the Colour Parties moved forward. The World Song threatened to lift the roof, and a watching L.A. Mum thought she detected the smallest wink from her Colour Bearer daughter. Need I look further for a future Guider?

MARY ROSE



# Two Unusual Pictures

by Margaret H. Gaunt

FOR OVER three years there have been hanging in a prominent place in our Guide Hut two pictures that are a source of perpetual interest and to which we are always making reference. They are not, I should explain, pictures in the usual meaning of the word: one is an unusual kind of map and the other is a key to the many numbers that appear all over the map. Briefly, the two pictures constitute a Nature-Recording of the Birds, Animals, and Insects that have been seen and identified in our part of the countryside.

The idea, which is pleasantly informative, originated with one of our Company who was interested in butterflies and moths but disliked the idea of the usual collection of pinned-down specimens in a glass-topped box. Instead of this, she got a roll of stout white paper—ordinary paper used for lining shelves and drawers will do—and from this made a rectangle measuring 3 ft. 6 in. by 3 ft. Before pinning it up on one of the walls of the Hut, we put in as neatly as possible (but not to scale) the names and approximate positions of hills and rivers and outstanding places that could be used as landmarks. Frankly, it was no work of art: it would have been better had we made a tracing from an existing map—and we also learnt that it was a great mistake to include unessential details. Make your Hut the centre.

Now the idea of the Picture—or map—is to show the place where the birds, animals, and insects have been seen and identified. As to the range you mean to cover, much will depend on the 'productivity' of your area, but don't mark off too big a slice of the district—for a beginning!

Let us take butterflies as our first example: if your first observed and identified (but not necessarily captured) specimen is a Red Admiral, write down its name and give it a number, which in this instance will

be No. 1. Perhaps you next identify a Meadow Brown butterfly, which, of course, would be No. 2.

You now turn to your map and on the spot where you saw the Red Admiral you put a bold figure 1 and circle it with red ink. Next find the spot where you saw the Meadow Brown, mark the place with a figure 2 and circle it in red like the first figure.

Next give your attention to the second picture, at present a blank sheet of white paper measuring 3 ft. 6 in. high by 3 ft. wide. On it, at the top left-hand corner, plainly and clearly print.

RED ADMIRAL BUTTERFLY . . . No. 1

On the next line, using the same style of script, put

MEADOW BROWN BUTTERFLY . . . No. 2

On the next line write in the name of whatever bird, animal, or insect has next been identified—it, of course, is No. 3. Possibly it may be another butterfly, but it may be some frequently seen bird, such as a starling—and might be an animal, such as a bat or a weasel. In all cases the procedure is the same: in the second picture the name of the creature is written down and it is given its number, while on the first (map) picture this number is marked down on the territory where it was seen. Thus, when a particular number appears frequently, we know that it (whatever it is) is common in some parts of the district; and if the number is widely distributed all over the map, we can assume that this particular species is also widely distributed.

From experience, I am all in favour of keeping the two pictures as simple as possible. If your area is in the heart of the countryside, you would not enter the number of every Common Wasp seen, but I should certainly indicate every wasp's nest that is located. I also advise the elimination of all such common objects as blue-bottles, house-flies, and so on.

Such are the two pictures that hang on the walls of our Hut, and of their value to our young naturalists I give you every assurance. Admittedly they are not as spotless as they once were, but that is because of use, not abuse—to decide arguments and to answer questions, they are in constant demand.

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**Fee Bursary:** This entitles a Guider to attend Foxlease, Waddow, Broneirion, Netherurd, Lorne, or the Training Ship, at half-rate for a shared room.

**Fare Bursary:** Assistance is given to Guiders on the basis of four-fifths of the railway fare in excess of £1, and is available only for the nearest Training Centre.

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

GUIDERS should apply for these Bursaries through their District Commissioners, who will write to the Secretary, Training Department, C.H.Q. When applying, the District Commissioner should state the name of the Guider, the Training Centre, and date of the training. Application must be made at least a fortnight before the training.

## COMMONWEALTH HEADQUARTERS

Application for trainings at Foxlease, Waddow, Netherurd, Broneirion, and Lorne should be made direct to the Training Centre concerned. Each application must be accompanied by a deposit of 7s. 6d. (in the case of Netherurd, 5s.) and a stamped addressed envelope. Please state in original application whether you are a Brownie, a Guide, or a Senior Branch (state Section) Guider. Guiders attending weekend trainings may

# Where to Train

leave on Sunday evening or during Monday if unable to stay for the whole weekend.

## FOXLEASE Lyndhurst, Hants.

- APRIL  
3-7 Guide and Brownie Guiders  
10-14 Guide and Brownie Guiders (*Out of Doors in Town and Country*)  
17-20 Roman Catholic Guiders (*Applications for this Training to Mrs. Harper, Sunnyside, Iwerley, Nr. Stourbridge, Worcs.*)  
24-28 Guide and Brownie Guiders (*Helping the Individual Guide*); special sessions for Commissioners

- MAY  
1-5 Guide and Brownie Guiders  
8-10 Oxfordshire  
15-19 Guide and Brownie Guiders  
(Whitsun)  
22-26 Guide and Brownie Guiders (*emphasis on Tests and Testing*); special sessions for Commissioners  
29-31 Hertfordshire

- JUNE  
1-6 Holiday Period  
9-16 Guide and Brownie Guiders  
19-23 Guide (*special sessions on The Patrol*) and Brownie Guiders  
26-29 Hampshire

- JULY  
3-7 Senior Branch Guiders (*all Sections*)  
3-10 Guide and Brownie Guiders  
14-21 Guide and Brownie Guiders and Commissioners (*Mothers and Babies*)  
24-28 Guide and Brownie Guiders  
31-AUG. 7 Guide and Brownie Guiders

- AUGUST  
11-18 Patrol Leaders' Training  
21-31 Cadet Leadership Training (age 16-19 years. Not more than 2 Cadets from one unit can be accepted)

- SEPTEMBER  
4-14 Holiday Period (there will be optional Training Sessions Sept. 11-14)  
18-22 Bank of England Scout & Guide Club  
25-28 Essex East



Broneirion

## OCTOBER

- 2-6 Guide and Brownie Guiders (*emphasis on Training the Patrol Leader*)  
9-13 Guide and Brownie Guiders, with special sessions for Commissioners  
16-18 Middlesex West  
23-27 Guide and Brownie Guiders  
30-Nov. 3 Guide and Brownie Guiders (*emphasis on Planning the Programme the Year Round*)

## NOVEMBER

- 6-10 Guide and Brownie Guiders (*emphasis on First Class*)  
13-17 Senior Branch (All Sections)  
20-24 Camp-Fire (*especially for those who have not attended a similar training before*)  
27-DEC. 1 Commissioners, and Guide and Brownie Guiders (*separate sessions*)

## WADDOW Clitheroe, Lancs.

- APRIL  
3-7 Camp-Fire  
10-14 Guide (*special sessions on The Patrol*) and Brownie Guiders  
17-21 Guide and Brownie Guiders  
24-26 Lancs. S.

- MAY  
1-3 Derbyshire  
8-12 Guide and Brownie Guiders (*Out of Doors in Town and Country*); special sessions for Commissioners  
15-20 Patrol Leaders' Training

- (Whitsun)  
29-JUNE 2 Guide and Brownie Guiders

- JUNE  
5-7 Lincolnshire North  
12-14 Yorkshire North Riding  
19-23 Manchester  
26-30 Guide and Brownie Guiders (*emphasis on 1st Class*)  
Special sessions for Commissioners

- JULY  
25-AUG. 5 \*Patrol Leaders' Training

- AUGUST  
1-12 \*Patrol Leaders' Training (*in Camp*)



- 11-18 (a) Guide and Brownie Guiders  
(b) Extension Guiders  
21-31 Drama Workshop

#### SEPTEMBER

- 4-8 Guide and Brownie Guiders  
11-15 Guide and Brownie Guiders (Training the Patrol Leader); special sessions for Commissioners  
18-21 Nottinghamshire  
25-29 Guide and Brownie Guiders (Planning the Programme the year round)

#### OCTOBER

- 2-6 Lancashire S.W.  
9-13 Commissioners (by invitation)  
16-20 Our Programme and The Promise: Commissioners, and Guiders of all Branches  
23-25 Lincolnshire South  
30-Nov. 3 Guide and Brownie Guiders

#### NOVEMBER

- 6-8 Lancashire South-East  
13-17 Guide and Brownie Guiders (emphasis on Tests and Testing)  
20-24 Guide and Brownie Guiders, with special Sessions for Commissioners  
27-DEC. 1 Music and Drama

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per week ... £6	0s. 0d.

#### COUNTY TRAININGS AT FOXLEASE AND WADDOW

Counties wishing to have a County weekend at Foxlease or Waddow in 1965 should apply to the Secretary, Commonwealth Training Department, C.H.Q., not later than 1st June, 1964.

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11-18 Duke of Edinburgh's Award and Senior Branch  
18-25 Guiders and Senior Branch  
25-AUG. 1 Senior Branch

#### AUGUST

- 1-8 Guiders  
8-15 Senior Branch  
15-22 Sussex  
22-29 Senior Branch  
29-SEPT. 5 Senior Branch

#### SEPTEMBER

- 5-12 Guides  
12-19 Senior Branch, Guiders, Trefoil Guild, and Friends of the Ship

FOR further details of Trainings or to enquire about holidays on the Ship, apply to the Secretary of the *Golden Hinde*, c/o Branches Office, Commonwealth Headquarters, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London S.W.1.

#### COUNTY EXTENSION SECRETARIES

A RESIDENTIAL TRAINING Conference will be held from Wednesday, 21st-Friday, 23rd October, at Elfinsward, Haywards Heath, Sussex. Details from the Extension Secretary, C.H.Q.

#### ENGLAND

SEA RANGER GUIDERS There will be a Sail-training weekend for Sea Ranger Guiders at **Whale Island, Portsmouth**, from 24TH-26TH APRIL, 1964. Please keep the date free. Further details from Miss P. Thorner, 52 Wallace Road, Northend, Portsmouth.

#### SCOTLAND

**Netherurd House, Blyth Bridge, West Linton, Peebles-shire**

#### APRIL

- 3-6 City of Dundee  
10-13 Stirlingshire  
17-20 Extension Guiders  
24-27 Guide and Brownie Guiders

#### MAY

- 1-4 County Durham  
8-11 Commissioners  
15-18 Guide and Brownie Guiders  
22-25 Scottish Handcraft Circle  
29-JUN. 1 Edinburgh South-West and Handicapped Trefoil Guilds

#### JUNE

- 5-8 Baptists

#### JULY

- 3-7 Patrol Leaders  
10-14 Patrol Leaders  
16-24 Patrol Leaders' Woodcraft Camp  
17-24 Patrol Leaders' Training Week (by invitation)  
28-AUG. 4 Guide and Brownie Guiders

#### AUGUST

- 13-21 Patrol Leaders' Woodcraft Camp  
14-21 Patrol Leaders' Training Week (by invitation)  
25-SEPT. 1 Commonwealth Week

#### SEPTEMBER

- 11-14 Trainers (by invitation)  
18-21 Guide and Brownie Guiders (places reserved for Fife)  
25-28 Guide and Brownie Guiders  
The Fees at Netherurd are the same as those at Foxlease and Waddow.

#### WALES

**Bronciron, Llandinam, Mont.**

#### APRIL

- 6-10 Monmouthshire Patrol Leaders  
17-19 Staffordshire County Booking  
24-26 Denbighshire County Booking

#### MAY

- 1-3 West Glamorgan County Booking  
8-10 Commissioners and Senior Branch Guiders  
15-19 Brownie and Guide Guiders (Whit.)  
23 Scout Association A.G.M.  
29-31 Trefoil Guild Conference

#### JUNE

- 5-7 Drama in Guiding  
9-16 West Glamorgan Handicapped Children's Holiday  
19-21 Central Glamorgan County Booking  
26-28 Monmouthshire County Booking

#### JULY

- 18-25 Patrol Leaders' Training  
30-AUG. 6 Patrol Leaders' Training

#### AUGUST

- 10-17 Central Glamorgan Patrol Leaders  
20-27 Training for Guides 15+  
31-SEPT. 5 Patrol Leaders' Training

#### SEPTEMBER

- 11-13 Closed  
18-20 Closed  
25-27 L.E.A.

#### OCTOBER

- 2-4 Shropshire County Booking  
9-11 Cardiff and East Glamorgan  
16-18 Guiders under 25  
23-25 Guide First Class (Training and Testing)  
30-Nov. 1 Central Glamorgan County Booking

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- 6-9 Brownie and Guide Guiders  
13-15 International Interviews—By invitation  
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27-29 L.E.A.

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## ULSTER

Lorne, Craigavad, Co. Down

APRIL	
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APRIL	
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MAY	
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22-24	Finaghy Local Association
29-31	34th Belfast Trefoil Guild

### Fees at Lorne

Shared room per night...	12s. 6d.
per week ... £3	15s. 0d.
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per week ... £4	7s. 6d.
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per week ... £5	0s. 0d.

## CAMPING AND PACK HOLIDAYS

All applications for Camp Sites must be accompanied by a stamped addressed envelope.

**Foxlease and Waddow Camp-Sites**  
APPLICATIONS for sites should be addressed to the Secretary, and the envelope marked 'Camp'. Suggested dates should be given, with possible alternatives, and approximate numbers.

### Blackland Farm, East Grinstead, Sussex

APPLICATIONS for camp-sites should be made to the Warden. Indoor camping facilities are available all the year round and 'Restrop' is furnished for parties of ten. It is also ideal for Pack Holidays.

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### Hindleap Warren, Forest Row, East Grinstead

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### Lorne Camp-Sites

THERE ARE two fully equipped sites at Lorne. Bookings, which begin on 1st January, to Miss E. Henshall, 743 Shore Road, Newtownabbey, Co. Antrim.

### Pack Holiday House, Waddow

APPLICATIONS for Pack Holidays in 1964 should be made to the Secretary, Waddow Hall; they must be accompanied by a written recommendation from the Guider's C.A.

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## BOOK NEWS

**The Way Ahead for the Uniformed Organisations**, Edited by Eileen A. H. Tresidder. (Methodist Youth Department, 2s. 6d.).

THIS BOOKLET really forms part of the Methodist Youth Department Handbook and most Methodist Guiders will use it in relation to the main handbook.

It is in two parts, both of which are interesting and helpful. The first part sets out details of relationships between Guiders of Methodist Companies and Packs and the Ministers, the Church Youth Councils and other bodies of the Church: it is acknowledged that dual loyalties are not easy to maintain, and it is pointed out that many difficulties have arisen between the uniformed groups and the churches because they were not anticipated when the group was formed. This booklet should most certainly do much to prevent this happening, and Commissioners as well as Guiders would find it most helpful to study it before a Company or Pack is started in connection with a Methodist Church, as well as having it to refer to should a problem arise. The second part of the booklet consists of a statement of the aims and methods of the five uniformed organizations that work in close contact with the Methodist Church, and Guiders will find these brief statements of considerable interest.

**Birds of the World**, by Hans Hvas (Methuen, 21s.).

THIS is a fascinating book that would delight any bird lover. It gives a good idea of the astonishing number and variety of birds. Over 1,100 are illustrated in full colour by Wilhelm Eigener, and the text includes the bird's Latin name, its size, where it is found, and many interesting details. The birds range from the smallest, the humming birds (looking like living jewels, some able to move their wings at speeds of up to 70 strokes per second, and the tiniest being only  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches long and weighing only  $\frac{3}{8}$  of an ounce) to the largest, the ostrich, which can weigh up to 300 lbs and can run at 40 miles per hour with a stride of 14 feet. There are the Weaver Birds, which build their nests in large colonies all under one roof, the Tailorbird, which sews leaves together to make its nest, the Bower Bird, which spends months on decorating a 'bower' to attract the female, and Birds of Paradise, which show off their plumes for the same purpose. A book to browse through that will rouse the sense of wonder.

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**Yorkshire W.R.N.W. Steeton Hall, 21st Birthday re-union,** 25th-27th September, 1964. Anyone interested in weekend or Saturday only send s.a.e. to Miss M. Morgan, 19 Lawrence Gardens, Easterley Road, Leeds 8.

**Wiltshire Rover/Ranger Moot,** Swindon, 23rd-24th May, s.a.e. (foolscap) M. A. Gibbs. 32 Goddard Avenue, Swindon, Wilts, for details and application form. Guides (min. age 16) and Seniors (min. age 17) welcome.

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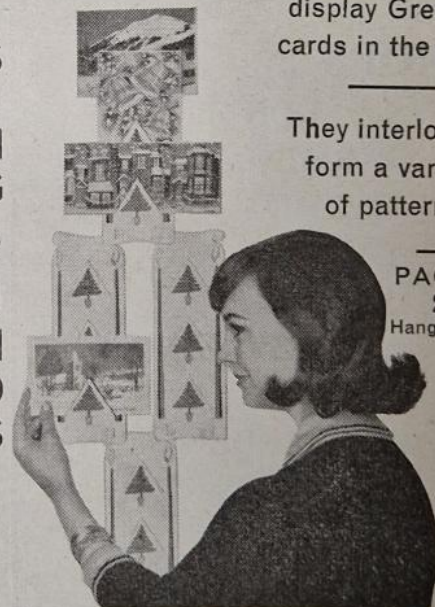
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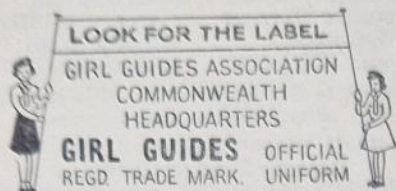
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