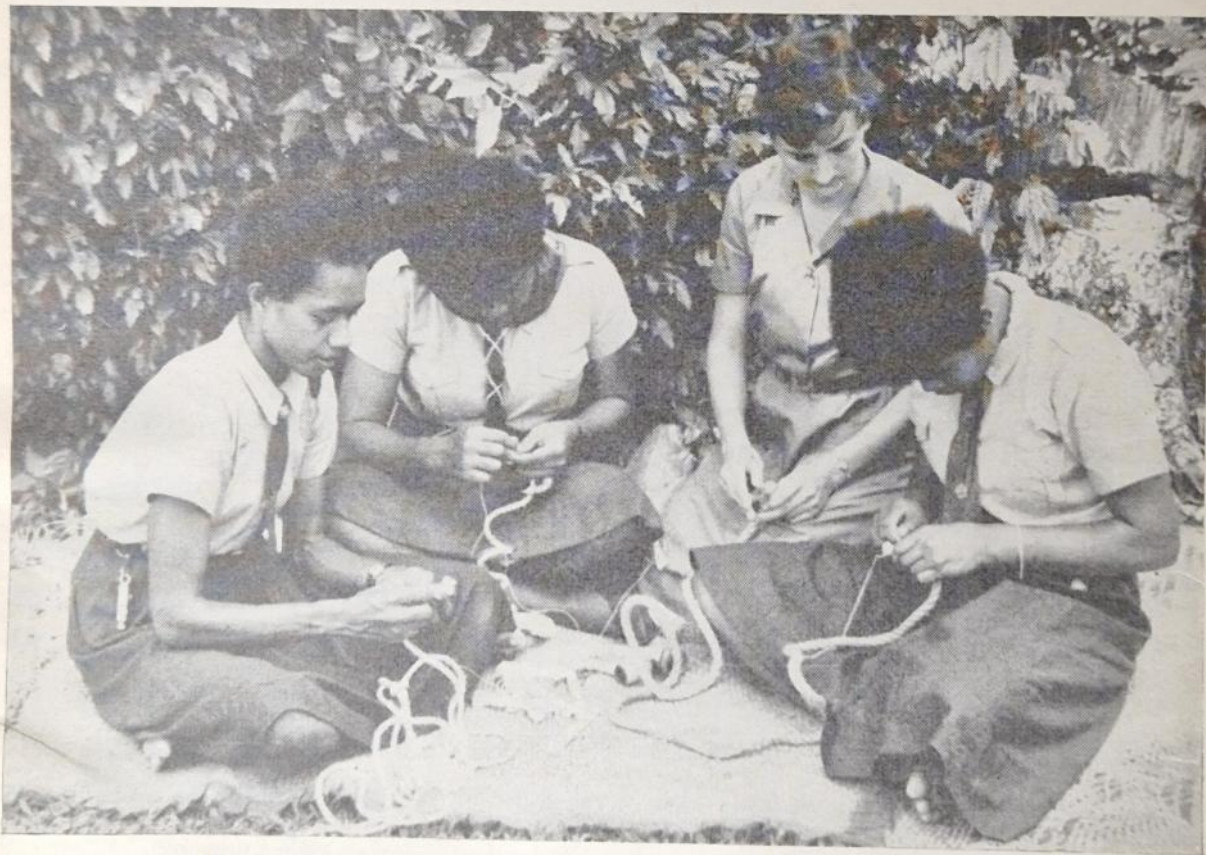
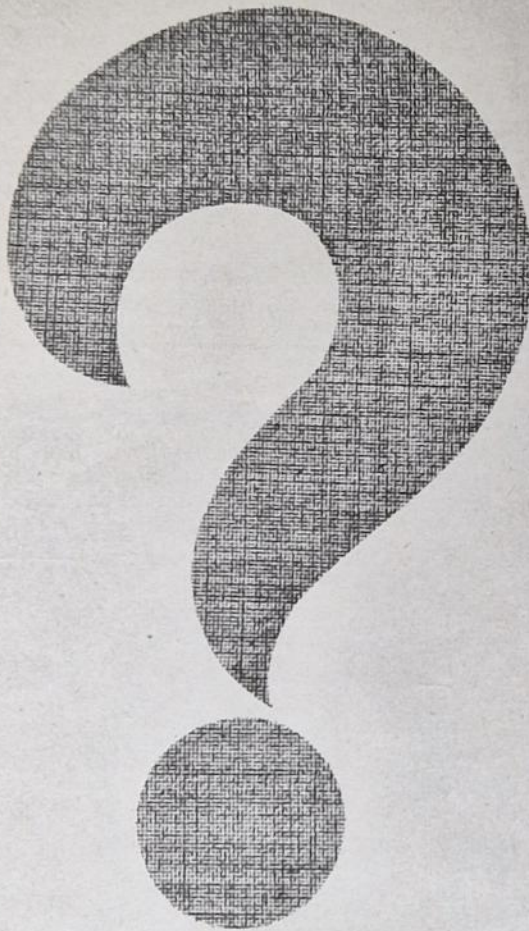


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Miss Marion Perry, (3rd right) a V.S.O. Volunteer who describes some of her experiences in **THE GUIDE** of 23rd October, taking a knotting session with Guiders in Fiji. Two other volunteers for V.S.O., also members of the Movement, are working in Southern Rhodesia. (See page 328.)



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The Commonwealth Chief Commissioner's Tour

WE are delighted this month to be able to give you fuller news of our Commonwealth Chief Commissioner's extensive tour. As you read this, Miss Gibbs will be visiting Brownies and Guides, members of the Senior Branch, Guiders and Commissioners in Western Australia. Then she goes on to Singapore and Malaya, East Pakistan, India, West

Christchurch for a Dominion Executive meeting followed.

Unfortunately the weather was bad when Miss Gibbs flew over the Southern Alps to Queenstown, on the shores of the beautiful Lake Wakatipu, and another bumpy air trip took her to Invercargill where Guiders, Guides and Brownies gathered in hundreds, and Brownies came from Stewart Island, the nearest inhabited island to the South Pole. From here our Commonwealth Chief Commissioner turned north again, meeting Guide members in Dunedin and in Timaru before finally leaving New Zealand on 24th September.

'This long awaited visit has come and gone,' writes Miss Iles, 'but Miss Gibbs has left behind her treasured memories of her friendliness, of her generosity in never sparing herself, of wider visions from her stories of Guiding throughout the world, and has firmly tied the knot which binds New Zealand with Commonwealth Guiding.'



Miss Gibbs in Fiji with Guiders and Commissioners

Pakistan and then back to India until mid December. The Chief Commissioner plans to arrive back in London on 17th December.

An interesting account of Miss Gibbs' visit to New Zealand, sent to us by Miss Marie Iles, National Secretary of the New Zealand Girl Guides Association, reached us just in time to include in THE GUIDE of 30th October. The following are a few of the highlights: In Wellington Miss Gibbs was the guest of the Governor General, Sir Bernard Fergusson, and Lady Fergusson, and was present at the annual parade of Queen's Scouts and Queen's Guides at Government House. Next day, when representatives from the fifteen Provinces, Wellington Guides and Brownies and the Queen's Guides were present, the money collected by members of the Movement all over the Dominion for Sangam and the Centenary Building Fund of the World Association was given to the Commonwealth Chief Commissioner. A weekend at Arahina, New Zealand's Training Centre, and a visit to the Headquarters at



Photo: 'Auckland Star'

Guides and Brownies welcome Miss Gibbs at Whenuapai Airport, Auckland, on her arrival on 29th August



Photo: The Scotsman Publications Ltd.
Pupils and guests at the Jubilee party

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE TREFOIL SCHOOL

THE SILVER JUBILEE of the Trefoil School was celebrated on 3rd October, a day which will never be forgotten by the 153 members of the Trefoil Association and the present School. The programme suited all ages, including sports on the Olympic pattern with banners for the competing groups, a wonderful meal when all the congratulatory messages were read, singing of all the favourite songs and, of course, time for talk and for looking at old photographs. The spirit of the day was summed up by bachelor Old Boy's remark to a couple: 'Next time you come you must bring your bairn. We must see her because she's our bairn, too!'

The Working Party Wants to Know

THIS IS your first opportunity to help the Working Party in considering the future of Guiding. There are many things that the Working Party wants to know and questions will be published from time to time on which the views of all will be welcomed. The first items to be tackled are questions relating to Guiding in present day conditions.

There is no suggestion that everyone should discuss everything, but Counties, Divisions and Districts (and Senior Branch units and older Guides too) are asked, if they will, to send in views on any of the subjects that interest them. It is hoped that discussions will be held at District, Division, County and other meetings, and reports sent in to the Secretary of the Working Party at Commonwealth Headquarters as soon as possible and not later than 1st February, 1965. All opinions are wanted and therefore the Working Party will be glad to receive the actual reports from all levels as well as any summaries that may be made on the way.

In addition, if individuals particularly wish to send ideas direct to the Working Party, it will be pleased to receive and consider them on the understanding that it is excused from acknowledging them. Any such communication should be sent to the Secretary of the Working Party, Commonwealth Headquarters, and names of senders will remain confidential to the Chairman and Secretary of the Working Party.

Those who decide to take part in this exercise are asked to get as wide a variety of views as possible—from people outside the Movement as well as inside. If every Guider talked over some of the aspects with, for example, a Guide's parents, a teacher, a vicar, a neighbour, a colleague, or if Local Associations, Trefoil Guilds, College Clubs and other groups would consider them, the Working Party would have valuable information to help it.

As many reports are expected, will you please help by:

1. Heading the paper with:
 - (a) Name and address of sender.
 - (b) A note stating whether the report is from an individual, unit, District, Division, County or other group.
 - (c) If from a group, the number of people who took part.
2. Writing, or preferably typing, on one side of the paper only.
3. Putting the answer to each question on a separate sheet or sheets with the name of the sender at the top.
4. Sending a carbon copy, if possible.

THE QUESTIONS:

GUIDING IN PRESENT DAY CONDITIONS

1. What can Guiding give that girls do not get elsewhere?
 - (a) How far do other agencies now give what were previously the special contributions of Guiding?
 - (b) Should the programme and activities of the Movement be amended accordingly? If so, how?
3. (a) What in Guiding appeals most to present day members?
 - (b) What appeals least to them?
4. (a) What type of girl does the Movement most attract?
 - (b) What type rejects it?
5. What age and type of woman is most attracted to Guiding as Commissioner or Guider, and why?
6. (a) What are the disadvantages (if any) of the single sex organization at different age levels?
 - (b) What changes could usefully be made?

MARY WHITE

[Secretary, Commonwealth Headquarters
Working Party]

Chairmanship

by Anne Fairtlough

ARE YOU an avid attendee of A.G.M.s. and other such functions? Do you go from force of habit, maybe from sheer sense of duty? Having dragged yourself there, how often do you come away from the meeting refreshed and heart-warmed, with a sense of having enjoyed good fellowship, good counsel, and good cheer, just as you might were you leaving a very pleasant party? Not as often as you could wish, I suspect—but why not?

The Chairman is a Hostess

The chairman of a meeting, any meeting, from the largest A.G.M. to a routine committee or a tiny Ad Hoc, is in much the same position as a hostess, with the same responsibilities and many of the same duties. It is for her to make you feel welcome, to ensure your comfort, to let you and every person present know that you and they all matter. Does this sound impossible where the audience is a large one? We have all seen it done.

How much do we take for granted when the meeting has gone well? The planning which was done beforehand; the thoughtfulness for our comfort: fresh air, good seating, no dazzling lights on the platform; the balanced and varied programme; good speaker; visual aids or demonstration. There may be charts or pictures, perhaps audience participation of some sort, group discussion or personal contact of some kind to keep everybody alert and interested. The chairman should appear relaxed and avoid such things as fiddling with glasses, adjusting clothes, swaying from side to side or from heels to toes, gesticulating, using 'hums', 'ums', and 'ers', clichés, and an oft repeated favourite word.

Uniforms should be well-groomed, well-fitting, worn with style; civilian clothes should be cheerful, but not so dazzling as to hold all eyes! Flowers on the table are attractive but mustn't obscure the people sitting on the platform behind them.

The warmth, tact, and friendliness of the Chairman sets the tone for the whole meeting, something we accept and perhaps hardly notice. We take for granted the skill underlying her handling of the proceedings, always in control without this being obvious, keeping to the time schedule but not seeming rigid about it, putting the speaker at ease in a friendly way, having previously made sure that she knows the name and how it is pronounced. She is fully briefed on the speaker's status and qualifications. Alas for the speaker who has to supply a hurried resumé of his life history while stumbling on to the platform, only to hear the facts misconstrued and his name mangled!

Question Time

A good introduction is an excellent lead in to the main speech but not with such a wealth of detail as to



Illustrated by Jenetta Vise

steal the speaker's thunder. Question time must be carefully controlled, not allowed to run riot or become parochial. The chairman either catches the eye of whoever she has previously asked to propose the vote of thanks, or she can formally call upon her, and the vote of thanks should sound spontaneous, sincere and, crowning virtue, be brief.

Light Touch: Firm Hand!

Happy is the committee that is led by the chairman who is efficient and businesslike but also blessed with the ability to draw the best from her colleagues. She has made it her business to know the members of her committee and to understand their problems and capabilities, giving everyone a chance to speak, encouraging the diffident and tactfully curtailing the over-wordy. She is neither too formal nor too 'cosy', keeps a light touch with a firm hand. She allots tasks evenly, is prepared to cut through the occasional impasse, is full of constructive ideas, yet wary of swamping the meeting with them. Truly a good chairman—a leader.

Next Month: 'On the Platform—as Speaker'

NEW FILM: 'BRANCHING OUT'

THE 16mm. colour film 'Branching Out' (37 minutes' running time) will be available from 1st December. Booking fee 25s., plus holding fee of 17s. 6d. for each subsequent day retained. Applications, enclosing booking fee of 25s., should be made to Town and Country Productions, 21 Cheyne Row, Chelsea, London S.W.3 (Tel. FLAXman 7950).

It is hoped that the film will encourage Guides and other teenagers to take advantage of the attractive opportunities of the Senior Branch, give Guiders fresh ideas, and make the general public more fully aware of the up to date methods, scope, fun, and interest provided by the Senior Branch.

Book early—avoid disappointment.



OUR picture shows the 'Volkswagen Kombi 1500' that we *hope* to pay for through the Guide Friendship Fund as a gift for Southern Rhodesia. It can carry up to eleven passengers, depending on their size!

On the left is Miss Margaret Knight, World Association Trainer, with the two V.S.O. girls, Jane Brookin and Marion Hill, both members of the Senior Branch in Great Britain, who volunteered to go to Southern Rhodesia for one year.

Miss Knight writes: 'I can't tell you how glad I am that we have this new car as I am quite sure the old one would have fallen to pieces on most of the roads we have so far travelled! Since leaving Salisbury on 29th September we have driven over six hundred

A CHRISTMAS GOOD TURN



miles, visited seventeen Guide Companies, two Brownie Packs and a Ranger Company in nine different places and have had trainings for Guiders and P.Ls. here in Umtali.

The Companies and Packs were all African ones in remote places where they seldom see other Guides and the Commissioner can only visit them once or twice a year at the most.... On the 15th October I go on alone; without diversions it looks like being a 900 mile run, leaving Jane and Marion to work with the Provincial Guide Commissioner until we meet again at the end of November.'

Further information about the Guide Friendship Fund, stickers to decorate Friendship money boxes, posters, notice boards, etc., will be sent free to any Company, Pack, Patrol or other unit that sends a request with a stamped addressed envelope to 'Guide Friendship Fund,' c/o Overseas Department, Girl Guides Association, 17 Buckingham Palace Road, London, S.W.1, where all contributions should also be sent. The fund totals at present over £600. V.A.

Training with a Difference

GUIDERS everywhere are becoming increasingly aware of the need for training. There is a growing demand for courses which, following modern trends in leadership training, last longer and go more thoroughly into the subject than is possible at the usual evening or weekend event.

At the trainings mentioned below there will be time for Guiders and Trainers to get to know and learn from one another, to think deeply about modern problems, to acquire new skills and to share ideas.

At all these events experienced or inexperienced Guiders will be welcome. As there is likely to be a big demand and places are limited, please book early.

A number of Local Education Authorities offer generous grants for fees and travelling expenses of Guiders attending trainings. Information on how to apply for these can be obtained through your Commissioner.

1. PROGRESSIVE COURSE

This is not an isolated event but a progressive follow-through course. It is specially designed so that individual problems and needs can be discussed and so that practical training can be of the kind asked for by the Guiders themselves during the Course.

1. Residential week-end at Beatrice Webb House, Dorking, 12th-14th February, 1965.

2. Six Evening trainings at C.H.Q., 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London S.W.1, from 7-9 p.m.

Thursday, 18th February	Wednesday, 10th March
Friday, 26th February	Thursday, 18th March
Tuesday, 2nd March	Monday, 22nd March

3. Residential week-end at Foxlease, Lyndhurst, Hampshire, 26th-29th March.

Cost of whole Course, excluding travelling, £6 15s. Applications should be sent to: Secretary, Commonwealth Training Department, Commonwealth Headquarters, with a deposit of 12s. 6d., and a stamped addressed envelope. No block bookings may be made.

Applicants must attend for the whole course.

2. TEN-DAY RESIDENTIAL LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Foxlease, 15th-26th April 1965
Waddow, 24th April-3rd May 1965

These courses will cover many aspects of the leadership of young people, and especially of the leadership of a Guide Company, from the planning of the adventurous highlights in the programme to the consideration of everyday problems and ideas for weekly meetings.

Applications should be sent to the Training Centre concerned with a deposit of 12s. 6d. and a stamped addressed envelope. For details of fees at the Training Centre see pages 346-347.

JAPAN— LAND OF CONTRASTS

by
Anne Fairtlough



Japanese Brownies taking part in the Rally

OF ONE THING I am quite certain, the delegates to the World Conference in 1966 will have a wonderful time in Japan.

As tourists to that country, my husband and I deemed it a rare privilege to be invited into homes, and allowed to share, even a little, in a way of life so fascinating and unfamiliar. Many things jump to mind; men taking precedence over women, no handshakes, but bows, deep and numerous, for greeting. Very catching this; I've only just lost the habit! Picturesque traditional dress and footwear to be seen everywhere: in the provincial cities nearly all the older women wear the kimono, though comparatively few men do so. The simplicity and beauty of the homes, small by our standards, bare of all but essentials: a low table, cushions to sit on, with perhaps a shrine or flower arrangement in a niche. Spotless floors covered with 'tatami', rice straw matting, on which no outdoor shoes are allowed and on which one walks in stockinged feet or in a pair of flat heel-less slippers found awaiting one at the front door.

It is a country where the most modern and the most ancient march side by side. The sprawling metropolis, Tokyo, the largest city in the world, probably represents the new Japan, but Kyoto, the ancient capital, gave us a glimpse of antiquity and tradition. As we tried to absorb its atmosphere we felt the strange beauty of Japan and all things essentially Japanese.

Girl Scouting's 10th Anniversary

It was most fortunate for us that our last day in Kyoto coincided with a rally to celebrate the 10th anniversary of Girl Scouting in Japan. On a Sunday morning of brilliant sun shining on the fluffy pink of cherry blossom all over the city we drove to a fine new Convent School. By now we were familiar with the routine of taking off our shoes, and surveying the shining floors with housewifely eyes I realized the wisdom of this custom! The entry of the Standards, deep blue, red and gold, was memorable, silent but for the gentle thud of stockinged feet on polished boards.

I was fascinated to observe how speakers who made use of notes handled them, reading from right to left down columns of neat (to my eyes such decorative) characters, the paper folded carefully concertinawise, easy to slip into the sleeve of a kimono. I had often noticed that this wide sleeve can serve as a roomy hold-all!

Cherry Blossom Song

Once more we watched in silence as the Standards filed past, then we adjourned to a class room for green tea and talk. Back we came to the hall for games and music, and the morning ended with a splendid concert. It was just as I began to reflect on the great difference between this music, gay and lively in its modern idiom, and that which we had heard the previous day, performed by Geisha Girls at their Cherry Blossom Festival, that the girls brought their concert to a close with a lovely rendering of that same 'Cherry Blossom Song'—a beautiful and haunting thing, stately and strangely solemn for such a joyous season.

A fascinating and wonderful morning, for which, and for the kindness of our welcome in Japan, we have to thank international Guiding.

FOR A DISPLAY OR EXHIBITION

MISS E. L. BERGER, 27 Russell Hill Road, Purley, Surrey, has a set of proficiency badges, 24 in. in diameter, made of hardboard and mounted on broomsticks for carrying, which she will be glad to give to anyone willing to collect them or pay carriage. The badges are as follows: Artist, Dairymaid, Emergency Helper, Gardener, Knitter, Lace Maker, Hiker, and the ones required for the Little House Emblem: Child Nurse, Cook, Homemaker, Hostess, Laundress, Needlewoman. There is also a photograph of the 'Little House' model used by the District, with specifications for making, which Miss Berger will be glad to pass on to anyone interested.



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More than one million books have now been delivered in over fifty Commonwealth countries by the English-Speaking Union Ranfurly Library Commonwealth Book Scheme. This is a tremendous achievement and I want to send my thanks and congratulations to all the children and grown-ups in Britain, Canada, Australia and New Zealand who have collected and given books to this Scheme. Their generosity has made this Scheme a practical possibility but I must also pay a tribute to those who re-distribute the books overseas according to local needs and standards of education.

I very much hope that this Scheme will grow and flourish with the years. This voluntary effort has an immense practical value to education in many Commonwealth countries but it is also a most effective way of bringing many people of the Commonwealth into contact with each other and so strengthening the Commonwealth idea all over the world.

September, 1964.

CONFERENCE FOR STUDENTS

Baden-Powell House, 8th January, 1965

THE THEME for this conference (see notice in October GUIDER) will be 'Moral Implications of Guiding and Scouting'.

Further details will be circulated in due course: intermediate enquiries to Miss Hibbs, Education Panel, C.H.Q.

ATTENTION ENGLISH SENIOR BRANCH MEMBERS

APPLICATIONS are invited for two exciting events in 1965:

1. Senior Round-Up in the U.S.A. (Idaho)

DATES. Second week in June to end of July, 1965.

COST. £160 (grant of £75 available) including air travel.

2. Juliette Low Session at Sangam, the new World Association Centre at Poona, India.

DATES. Mid-October to mid-November, 1965.

COST. All expenses paid by Juliette Low World Friendship Fund, including air travel.

PURPOSE. Exchange of ideas, information, and skills with delegates from a number of different countries.

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SKI-ING HOLIDAY AT OUR CHALET

THIS is being arranged by C.H.Q. for Guiders and members of the Senior Branch (see October GUIDER), and it is hoped that a similar party from Denmark will join the group at Our Chalet.

DATES: Depart London Saturday, 23rd January; return London Sunday, 7th February.

COST: Approximately £28 (could increase to £32 if fewer than 10 applications).

APPLICATIONS: To International Secretary, C.H.Q., giving details of age, previous travel abroad, ski-ing experience, if any, and enclosing Commissioner's recommendation. Applications will be accepted in the order in which they are received: none considered after 30th November.

IN MEMORIAM

With the death of Miss Mabel Foreman, Hammer-smith Division has lost a pioneer of Guiding. Starting as District Secretary in 1922, she became Division Commissioner and later Division President, and has also, since her retirement, taken an active part in the Trefoil Guild in Worthing. Her loyalty, cheerfulness, and courage were an inspiration to all, and she will be greatly missed.

U.M.G.

Suffolk has suffered a heavy loss in the death of Miss Rachael Burke. Formerly District Commissioner for Chatsworth, Derbyshire, she continued her Guiding activities on moving to Melton, becoming Guide Captain, Brown Owl, and Cadet Captain, as well as District Commissioner for Seckford. Three years ago she was awarded the Headquarters Medal of Merit, and her organizing ability and skill in campcraft were apparent in the 16 District Camps that she held. She was also a member of the British Red Cross Society and served on the Council of the Women's Institute.

NOTICES

FOXLEASE

There will be a vacancy for a **Junior House Assistant** for six to twelve months starting January or February. 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.

NOTICE BOARD

TRAINING FOR JEWISH GUIDERS

A TRAINING will be held under the auspices of the Advisory Council of Jewish Girl Guides and the Council of Jewish Scouters on Sunday, 22nd November, at The Maccabi House, 73 Compayne Gardens, London N.W.6, from 10.30 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. Fee, including morning coffee, lunch, and tea, 12s. 6d. Speakers: Miss Iris Morrison and the Rev. K. N. J. Loveless. All Guiders welcome, especially those from open Units who have Jewish children in their care. Enquiries to the Secretary, Mrs. M. Sterman, 30 Manor View, London N.3.

AIR RANGER 'CONTACT' WEEKEND, 1965

CHRIST CHURCH College, Canterbury, 23rd to 25th April (see full notice in October GUIDER, page 300). Write as soon as possible for application forms to Mrs. C. Schollar, 39 Sycamore Drive, Aylesford, Maidstone, Kent.

SCOUT AND GUIDE CLUB

THE Guide Secretary for the Avery Hill College Scout and Guide Club is Miss Lesley Stokes, Avery Hill College, Bexley Road, Eltham, London S.E.9.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

THERE are five special Guide and Brownie greeting cards illustrated in this year's C.H.Q. Christmas Catalogue, circulated with the October GUIDER. Separate copies of the catalogue may be obtained by sending a self-addressed envelope with a 3d. stamp to Equipment Department, C.H.Q.



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REMEMBER, remember,
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In aid of the Hospitality Funds of the Commonwealth Circle and International Committee of the Girl Guides Association: see October GUIDER, page 299, for full details.



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From the Private Diary of a District Commissioner

JAMES said this year all Christmas shopping to be done in Good Time, what about day in London? Accepted gratefully but plucked up courage to ask did he mean a 'cheap day' day or making a night of it? James in mellow mood because somebody's take-over had been to our advantage agreed to 24 hours... While he was at tailor's slipped off to Buckingham Palace Road. Liked new look of shop and found improved display dangerously tempting. Bought large number small gifts and stocked up with Christmas cards. G.G.H.Q. has always had one of best card displays in London.

Christmas preparations in District in full swing. At request of 1st Pickaback had brought home selection Christmas plays. Scouts asked would we co-operate over Carol Service. Plan to train mixed choir for the occasion. Have agreed to make Christmas Good Turns personal as possible. Units are to look out for lonely people and visit them, in twos and threes, with small gift on Christmas Day itself. Must consult District about possibility of helping with 'Oxfam' Christmas appeal by distributing envelopes.

Received leaflet of 'Guide Friendship Fund'. Must

WHERE'S THE COMPANY TO MEET TO-MORROW?

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launch in District. Christmas good time to do it. Remember so well poverty of African groups visited when James and I were in Bechuanaland. Their only 'sub.' a handful of mealie meal. Guides will like Friendship Fund stickers. Must send s.a.c. to Overseas Dept. at H.Q. for one to show them.

Mrs. Flutter rang up and said 'congratulate me, I have removed Miss Prong.' Said how perfectly splendid, how was it done? Mrs. F. said had taken revised warrant requirements and courage in both hands and asked Miss P. if refresher course for all those of us warranted years ago would be good thing and would she support it. Miss Prong said 'No' as she knew Guiding backwards.

Mrs. F. with difficulty refrained from saying that that was exactly what it looked like to her; instead, on basis of knowledge acquired through visiting, drew attention to lack of Patrol System, outdoor training etc., all time referring to revised warrant test. (Said hoped Miss P. did not notice her hand shaking like an aspen.)

Miss P. after pause said 'I suppose you want me to go?' Mrs. F. said 'Not if you are prepared to give Guiding in Company this (for them) new look.' Miss P. said 'too old for that, would Mrs. F. please accept resignation' and began to cry.

Mrs. F. said 'dear Miss P., how awful, there are lots of other ways in which you can help, you are so wise to understand that Company work is really for someone younger....'

I said it cannot have been much fun. Mrs. F. said 'it was hideous but in view of Commissioner's responsibilities, as outlined in Rule 22'... Asked do you know P.O.R. by heart? Mrs. F. said 'no, I have just been looking at Amendments, April/July, Rule 21, and you had better look at them too or THEY will be after you.'

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TRAINING PAGES

Whose Pack - Ours or Theirs?

by Leonora Wilson (Brownie Adviser, C.H.Q.)

MANY of you will have enjoyed reading the letter from that well-known personality, Old Nick, which appeared in the September GUIDER. Did you, as I was tempted to do, say on reading it, 'Good—though of course it applies more to the Guide and Senior Branch Guiders than to Brownie Guiders? After all, Brownies are too young to run their own show.' If you did, then be sure Old Nick is chuckling up his sleeve and chalking up a victory.

The temptation to run the show ourselves comes perhaps more often to Brownie Guiders than to others, and perhaps to experienced Brownie Guiders especially! After all, Brownies accept programmes and plans more unquestioningly than their older sisters, and experienced Guiders know what works best and 'how well it went last time'. Let's list a few of these temptations that beset us all.

Temptation No. 1

You arrive at the hall, feeling rather pleased with yourself. Your programme is prepared, Tawny and Pack Leader are well briefed, your apparatus is prepared and ready. 'We should get through quite a lot of testwork tonight,' you think, 'and they'll like the new game I learned at Waddow.'

Just as you are about to embark, some wretched child says: 'Can we go to the Park, Brown Owl?'

Immediately everyone's face lights up, only to fall again as you reply: 'Not this week, Jane, perhaps next,' or 'You know, Jane, how the little boys spoil things in the Park.'

The meeting is enjoyed; after all, it was well prepared—but wouldn't it, on a fine evening, have been better to have gone to the Park? Why not keep, at the end of your programme book, a list of treasure hunts or activities which can be used at short notice on the two or three separate weeks of fine weather that constitute our English summer? The game from Waddow would have to be postponed, for nothing delights small boys more than wrecking an organized game (and Brownies always forget their ladylike manners and return stinging retorts to masculine jeers!), but even small boys lose interest in the 'treasure hunt' or 'matching colour' type of game that takes the Brownies off in different directions.

Temptation No. 2

You are good at making apparatus. You have a beautiful set of varnished 'flags' and an equally

beautiful set of 'Good Turn' and 'Semaphore' cards, and you use them on all occasions. Your Brownies are lucky to have such good apparatus, but sometimes they would love to make their own. Give them the materials (spills, paper clips, paper, crayons, Plasticine) and let them devise their own miniature village and fly their flags. It will take them twice as long, but it will be 'theirs', and if you can use THEIR apparatus later in a game they will get added enjoyment.

Leave the 'Good Turn' cards in the cupboard sometimes and let them 'act' a situation to help a particular person. Encourage 'dressing up' and adapting. You may squirm at the acting and perhaps heave a sigh over the hackneyed themes for good turns, but you may get a surprise—and you may hear some interesting discussion during the 'rehearsals' that you can turn to good account later when you have a talk together on good turns in Pow-wow.

Temptation No. 3

Handcrafts! Are you one of the 'Now, fold your paper in half and cut off this corner' brigade which produces very neat and almost identical results? It was a great temptation, at an 'Alice in Wonderland' Pack Holiday this year, to show the Pack exactly how to make 3 in. high 'Alices' out of pipe cleaners for their miniature gardens. Instead, each Six helped itself from a box of materials, and the resulting 'Alices' were all different (and all better than the one I had planned!): one in a crinoline, one with sheep's wool hair, and a third with a darning stitch face—looking rather like a miniature tennis racket, but with a face stitched on! A caterpillar with hookah on a mushroom also appeared. When it comes to imagination, the Brownies beat us every time! Give them the materials and they'll supply the ideas!

Temptation No. 4

You are playing the game 'Lorry Drivers and Builders' [*Dozens of Games for Brownies* (C.H.Q., 2s. 6d., postage 6d.), page 37]. Each Six must be divided into two groups, and a building site and dumps decided upon. It takes you two minutes or less to go round and do this before giving instructions. Why not let the Sixer act as foreman and do it? She may take five to ten minutes. Time wasted? No, it has involved thinking and planning, as good a training as the game itself. Bossy Sixer? Perhaps, but the

cure for bossiness is not less to do but more to organize, and we can help by saying, 'Let all the Six decide where to build,' and so guide her through the period of 'bossiness' and train her to consult her Six.

Temptations No. 5, 6, 7, 8, etc.

(a.) Do you show the visiting Commissioner round the Pack Holiday House or does a Brownie do it?

(b.) Did you fill in the form about the 'Flower Good Turn' or did a Brownie do it?

(c.) Do you privately decide on the Christmas Good Turn and 'persuade' the Pack that it's their idea?

(d.) Do the Pack write the 'thank you' letters, or do you do it for them?

(e.) When a Brownie sees something in *THE BROWNIE* and says, 'Can we do it, Brown Owl?' do you say, 'Sometime, perhaps,' or 'Let's talk it over in Pow-wow to-night'?

(f.) Do your Brownies know how much money they have in their funds? Does the Treasurer explain where it goes and consult them on occasions?

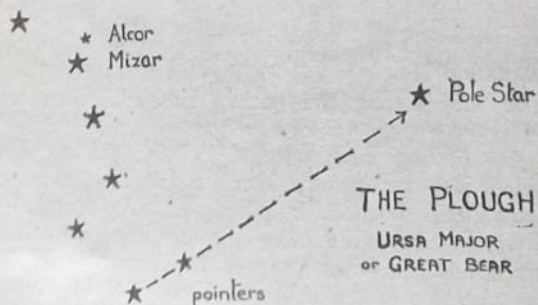
It might be a good idea to discover in Pow-wow which parts of the programme the Brownies like best. Mine, I think (I must try it next week!) would plump for 'the Park, following a trail, some sort of handicrafts, acting, cooking', most of which appear all too infrequently in my programme book.

'But what about the balance of the programme?' says Old Nick. Honesty compels me to admit that

Next Month: Whose Senior Branch Unit?

Stars by Maureen Price

HAS anyone else forgotten the key to the Guide Hall—and on a winter's evening too? Surprisingly, when it happened to us we had one of the most enjoyable evenings ever, with games best played in the dusk and a good opportunity to see the night sky and get to know a few of the star groups or constellations. Two factors which contributed to the success of the star-gazing were that the group was a small one (so that it was possible for each Guide to have her recognition of a constellation verified) and that all the Guides had



previously seen the pattern of one constellation, the Plough, through using it in recognition games.

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mine is not always completely balanced when I plan it myself. The scales seem to tip in my favour!

'Turning Sixers into Patrol Leaders,' Old Nick continues. No, a Sixer cannot take full charge, and few are capable of giving detailed instructions for a game, but they can take a share in the organization (see September *GUIDER*, 'Six Activities').

'Acting, going to the Park, handicrafts are time-wasters!' says Old Nick. 'When are they going to get through their testwork, I'd like to know. They need teaching.'

It might do Old Nick good to spend a day or two in some of our schools where he would see children making models, looking up information for themselves, planning and conducting morning prayers, producing their own plays, and going to the teacher only for advice and consultation. That is surely what 'B.-P.' had in mind when he said we were to act as 'older sisters'.

An evening's joyous observation in the Park, a brandishing of paint brushes producing their own 'Safety First' frieze on a roll of wallpaper, a hilarious acting session planned by themselves may not lead to an immediate passing of tests, but it may lead to a lifelong interest in the 'out of doors', to lively and quick minds, to the ability to plan and work with others, all of which is as much part of our training as passing tests. After all, a Brownie has about three years in the Pack—and it isn't the eleven plus! It's a game—THEIR game!

Familiarity with the shape of one constellation makes a good beginning. It is an awe-inspiring sight to look at the Milky Way on a clear, dark night, away from the glare of street lights, but for finding an unknown constellation choose a night when the background stars are fainter.

Of the few constellations visible throughout the year from Britain, the Plough is the most familiar.

A line drawn through the two pointers extends to the Pole or North Star, which is almost directly over the North Pole of the earth's axis; therefore, as the earth turns, it does not appear to move as do the others. It is a permanent night-time compass, and even if it is hidden by cloud, the position of the Plough indicates the position of the Pole Star. The distance between the Pole Star and the nearest pointer is approximately five times the distance between the two pointers, a useful measure for star-gazing.

To simulate the apparent movement of the stars about the Pole Star, draw the Plough and Pole Star and cut it out in one piece; fix the Pole Star to a board with a drawing-pin and turn the whole constellation round anti-clockwise. If one could watch the Plough day and night it would go right round like the hand

of a 24 hour clock. Its position at a given time alters during the year, but anyone becoming familiar with the night sky could learn to tell the time by the Plough's position.

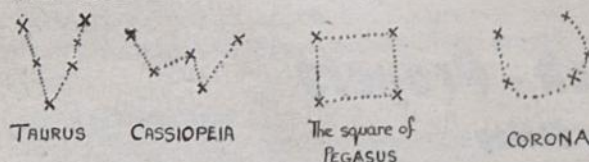
The second star in the 'handle' is called Mizar and the ability to see the tiny star beside it, Alcor, was a test of good eyesight by the Arabs in ancient days. Most people these days see it easily, especially if one looks a little to one side rather than directly at the star. Through a telescope, Mizar is seen to be two stars. It was the first double star to be discovered, and further research has showed that each of these two stars is, in fact, a double star, as is Alcor also, so what appear to the naked eye as two stars are really six.

★ Betelgeuse

★ ORION

Orion, the Hunter, is a magnificent sight on a winter's evening and is easily recognized. Three large stars making the belt were thought by early Christians to be the Three Wise Men, and they are always visible at Christmas time. Three smaller stars

hang from the belt as Orion's sword. The ancients imagined figures of their gods and goddesses in the shapes of the constellations, and the legends connected with them make excellent subjects for Company



Four constellations (not drawn to scale)

dramatics. These figures may be difficult for us to discern, but many constellations can be recognized as letters or simple geometrical patterns.

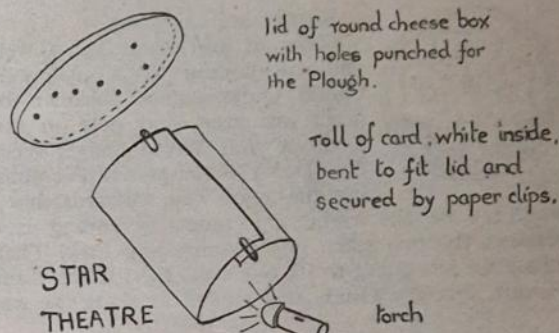
OTHER THINGS TO LOOK FOR

In November especially—SHOOTING STARS: not really stars but meteors, particles of rock which are burnt up in the earth's atmosphere as they fall.

STARS OF DIFFERENT COLOURS: red ones like Arcturus in Boötes and Betelgeuse in Orion are cooler than the blue-white ones like Rigel or Sirius.

STARS OF DIFFERENT BRIGHTNESS: first magnitude stars such as Sirius, the Dog Star and Aldebaran in

Having found the Plough and Pole star, our Guides decided to learn a few of these patterns before the next star-gazing evening. They copied them for Patrol charts and used them in a variety of games. It is important that copies are accurately drawn and



checked. An interesting way of learning to recognize these shapes is to project them on to a flat ceiling or a wall by means of a star theatre, so that the Guides are accustomed to seeing the stars as tiny lights in an otherwise darkened room.

The main stars of the constellation are pricked out on round cards, which can be fitted inside a cheese-box lid. Use a number of lids, one for each constellation. Experiment beforehand with the box, the torch used, and the size of holes. To prevent dazzle from the torch reflector, shine it on to the inside of the tube rather than directly on to the lid.

Several newspapers publish detailed star maps each month, giving times and dates for seeing the phases of the moon and the planets as they appear in the night sky. One should hold these maps overhead with the northern horizon towards the north; then all the constellations fall into position. By making a large copy on cardboard of the positions of a few distinctive constellations and using this outdoors with a torch, even an individual Guide would soon learn her way about the sky.

Taurus, and second magnitude stars such as Orion's belt and most of the Plough.

PLEIADES: count the number of 'sisters', six usually discernible though some can see seven. Using telescopes and cameras, over 2,000 have been counted.

MILKY WAY: the galaxy to which we belong.

ANDROMEDA NEBULA: a galaxy entirely outside ours and the most distant thing we can see with the naked eye.

BOOKS TO HELP YOU

Fun with Astronomy, by Mae and Ira Freeman (Edmund Ward, 12s. 6d.).

Boy's Book of Astronomy, by Patrick Moore (Burke, 12s. 6d.). (Includes an astronomy quiz.)

(Out of print, but worth borrowing from a library)

The Sky and Heavens, by Peter Hood (Puffin Books).
The Stars (I Spy Books).

Next Month: The Earth Around Us

Promise Tales for the Enrolment Ceremony (3)

by M. Joan Martin



WHERE are we going?

Some of you know quite well: you are hoping to be a Queen's Guide. Quite a good objective, but don't just keep your eyes on that. Look at your World Badge; there's the clue. The compass needle pointing the right way, upwards, but it wouldn't be the right way unless it sprang from between the two stars, our Promise and Law. That's where we are going to fix our eyes. First Class, Camp Permit, Queen's Guide will all fall in along the way.

In the early days of Guiding the Guides used to refer to their Tenderfoot badge as their 'life', and they polished it every day to remind themselves that they must keep their Guide life shining. Not only did they polish the front that everyone sees, but they polished the back.

Do we keep our Guide Promise just the same when there is none to see us?

YOU all know my dog. Well, this week I took him to have his coat stripped. When I brought him home someone said, 'Are you sure that's your dog?' He certainly did look very different, but I knew he was my dog because he behaved in his usual way.

Do we behave in the same way when we are in our school uniform, or dressed to go out with a boy friend, as we do when we are dressed as a Guide? We don't begin our Guide Promise with the sentence, 'When I am dressed in my uniform I will ...'

If you behave badly on the bus going to school, people don't say, 'I don't think much of Mary Jane;' they say, 'I don't think much of that school.' Quiet a big responsibility, isn't it? Now tonight two of you are adding another responsibility, because people are going to judge not only this Company, but all Guides, by what you two do. Perhaps when we think that there are over 5½ million Guides relying on us not to let them down, I think it is going to help us remember our Promise.

Senior Branch - Prayers

by Grace Staley

WE PLAN our weekly meetings with great care, having the aims of our training well in mind the whole time. It should be the same with our weekly prayers, and they should never be haphazard things looked out at the last minute and read from a book.

In planning them beforehand a theme may help us and will give a sense of continuity to our members. Here are a few ideas for themes which you may find useful.

1. **The Promise** is an obvious theme which can be repeated every few years, and particularly when we have members preparing for their Investiture. It can be divided up in the following way:

First week: I promise to do my duty—

Second week: To God

Third week: To the Queen

Fourth week: To help other people at all times

2. **The Laws** are best kept as a separate theme. Even then, ten weeks may prove to be too long, and it may be useful to group them in this way:

- (a.) Honour and loyalty.
- (b.) Friendliness and courtesy.
- (c.) Thrift and cheerfulness.
- (d.) Usefulness and kindness to animals.
- (e.) Obedience and purity.

3. Carrying our Promise into a Wider World

- (a.) Home.
- (b.) School or work.
- (c.) Hobbies and interests.
- (d.) International relations.

4. Service

- (a.) The need for service.
- (b.) Commonplace service.
- (c.) Service of the mind.
- (d.) Spirit of service.
- (e.) Service through friendship.

5. Faith

This would connect up with the clause in P.O.R. that says that during her Rangering 'a Ranger is expected to do all she can to deepen her religious faith and her understanding of the Promise and Law'.

Using the Bible, give examples of the different types of faith.

- (a.) The healing miracles, because of faith.
- (b.) The power of faith.
- (c.) Faith, leading to an increase in the disciples' faith.
- (d.) Increase and influence of the early Church due to faith.
- (e.) Getting to know God through faith.
- (f.) How much we ourselves gain by having faith.

6. Easter

Leading up to Easter, we can use the Easter Story or a theme on prayer. For this we could use the words:

- (a.) Adoration.
- (b.) Contrition.
- (c.) Thanksgiving.
- (d.) Supplication.

7. Christmas lends itself to many obvious themes and may bring home to our girls the origin of the Christmas Story and thus counteract some of the commercialism.

Six Activities

by Mildred Leeson



EVERY Brownie enjoys a treasure hunt, whatever form it takes, and it usually makes a suitable activity to be carried out in Sixes. Both of the following treasure hunt type of activities have proved popular:

Jigsaw Treasure Hunt

Have a set of cards for each Six. Each card in a set has a letter of the Brownie Motto on it, except one blank 'identification' card. All the cards in each set are marked alike on the back to identify them, with a crayon or using a coloured adhesive shape, and the 'identification' card is also marked.

The lettered cards are placed about the room, face down, and each Sixer is given one of the blank cards. Each Six then searches for the cards with the same marking as the blank card they have been shown by the Sixer, and then sets out the cards to make the Brownie Motto.

The same game can be played using the words of the Promise, sentences of the National Anthem, etc.

Magic Spells

Give each Sixer a list of about six ingredients required by the Magician (Tawny or Pack Leader, suitably dressed up) to perform her magic. Ingredients can be chosen according to the time of year and place, but could be 'something furry', 'a sign of spring', etc. Give each Sixer a cardboard plate or similar 'dish' on which the ingredients are to be taken to the Magician.

The Sixes collect the ingredients and take them to the Magician, who should be seated out of

sight of the place where the meeting will be going on. If the ingredients are correct they are accepted by the Magician and the Brownies are asked to return after a stated time. While the meeting progresses the Magician removes the ingredients and in their place puts something for the Six. This could be sweets (to be shared out justly by the Sixer!) or a piece of equipment for the Six box.

There is obvious responsibility for the Sixer in these activities, but we must help her to use this wisely and so develop leadership in her and strengthen the team spirit in the Six.

We need to advise the Sixer that:

Each Brownie must know what she is looking for and be given a fair share of the 'work' (or play).

Where a number of different objects are required she uses her team wisely and allots the objects to them.

As leader she stays in one place for the Brownies to report to her so that she can check their finds and organize any arrangement of the pieces.

She takes the lead in approaching the Magician and shows the necessary courtesy, but at the same time makes sure that her Six can all see and hear the Magician.

In this way the Sixer will be trained in good leadership, which entails both taking the lead and showing consideration for her team, and also means being prepared to deny herself some of the fun of the activity (i.e. the searching) in order to be doing what is most helpful to the team.

It's Brownies!

by Marian Dales



MOST Brownies get a great deal of pleasure from collecting things, varying from stamps and dolls from other countries to match-box labels, so why not put this habit to good use in the Pack? They can be encouraged to collect things that will be used in making Pack apparatus. Magazines and old comics provide excellent hunting ground.

Message Game: Ask the Brownies to collect pictures of anything they can buy in a shop. At the Pack Meeting these can be sorted out and stuck on to stiff paper or card. If the card is creased horizontally it will stand, and the goods will be displayed as in a shop window.

Pack sits in a ring with some Brownies holding shop windows. Brown Owl asks someone to go shopping, saying, 'Please, will you go to the grocer's and get a large tin of beans and a pound of butter, and ask him when he will have some fresh eggs?'

To reach the shop the Brownie goes round outside the ring. Quite a bit of acting can go into this, and courtesy too. Try to give a message that needs a short answer. After one or two turns, change shopkeepers.

The Queen's Scrapbook: New Brownies will learn something of the Queen's activities if they can stick pictures of her and her family into a scrapbook. These can be collected over a period and used as an activity when needed. A similar book can be based on the Good Turn.

Another time, ask the Brownies to find as many pictures to do with health as they can, and bring them to the Pack Meeting. These can be made up into charts illustrating each line of the Health Rhyme, or games like **Health Circle** can be played.

Each Brownie has a picture and while the Pack sings the words of the Health Rhyme (Tune: 'Polly put the kettle on'), the pictures are passed round the ring. When the singing stops the Brownies keep and look at the pictures they have, whilst Brown Owl asks a question: 'Who has something good to eat at breakfast time?'. The value of the game lies in the discussion which follows, e.g. 'What would be a good thing to eat at breakfast, and why?'

Compass Activity: Give each Six a large sheet of plain paper and a magazine or previously cut out pictures. One Six could make a picture map

of Farmer Brown's farm, with the farmhouse in the South-East and the cows in a field North of it. His car is standing by the cornfield in the West. Other directions can be given to suit the material available. Other Sixes could do a similar activity on a circus, a toyshop, or a country walk.

Semaphore Shopping: Again using pictures collected by the Pack and stuck on to thin card, such as a cereal packet, give the Brownies a short shopping list, written in semaphore, and let them pick out the corresponding pictures.

Many children's comics and weekly papers have pictures that can be turned into observation games or compass or semaphore activities, and a pile of these in your cupboard could be used by the one Brownie who has finished a certain piece of test-work and who could be asked to look for health or nature pictures and cut them out.

Picture postcards can be turned into a matching game if each is cut into two pieces in different ways. Brownies are given half a card each to match up with the other half placed round the room.

I keep a small tea chest, and in it goes everything that might be useful for making apparatus—toilet rolls, cereal boxes, coloured string and paper, match boxes, cones, cardboard, and the children add to it with things they think could be used. With scissors and paste always handy, many a long hunt has been avoided by just delving into this Treasure Chest.

So far all the suggestions for collecting have been for our own ends, but collecting can also go hand in hand with the Pack Good Turn. The odd balls of wool that are really no use to anybody can be sought out and knitted into squares for blankets. The Red Cross or Oxfam will always be pleased to receive them. If a blanket is considered too much to be knitted, could the L.A. help or some other adult organization? (Good for public relations?)

A halfpenny does not mean much to many Brownies nowadays, yet if halfpennies minted in the year we were born were collected for a month, the Pack could perhaps buy some eggs for a pensioner or send a small gift to someone in hospital.

Next Month: Pack games for Christmas time

by Jean Dixon

MANY OF US, in our Companies, have 14-16-year-old Guides—girls just starting work perhaps, and putting their hands to the wheel of adult life and, like learner drivers, not fully realizing all the rules and responsibilities governing their wishes. Unlike 'L' motorists, however, they have no book of rules, yet they need help to establish standards and a code of behaviour, and help in finding their places in society.

Can we, through our Guide programmes, supply some of their needs? Can we seize upon their interests and help them to help themselves?

One thing older Guides admire is charm—although perhaps they would not call it this. A famous film star once said that charm consisted of good grooming, good manners, and knowing how to act in difficult circumstances to put people at their ease.

The following activities may help:—

Fashion Models

Give each Patrol a fashion catalogue. From this, Guides cut out models wearing dresses suitable for different occasions or for different shapes and sizes of people and state reasons for choice. Older Guides another week could choose accessories.

Hairstyles

Pick out the best hairstyle in the Patrol for (a.) hiking; (b.) a party; (c.) school.

Could this be followed by a special session for the 14-16's by a hairdresser showing different hairstyles and, later, by a make-up expert? Trespassing on the Senior Branch programme? Some of these girls will never reach it, and they are experimenting now.

Courtesy in Action—for the whole Company

Acting is one way to put over points of courtesy.

Patrols act how to receive (a.) a guest in the Patrol Corner; (b.) a guest at home; (c.) Captain at home; (d.) Patrols show what to do at the end of a party.

Courtesy in Action—for the older Guides

Give Guides incidents where courtesy must be balanced with other Guide Laws, e.g.

1. A friend has made herself a new dress of which she is obviously proud. You think it is awful. What do you do?

2. You have promised to baby-sit for someone but at the last minute mother feels ill. Your father is at work and you have a small sister. What do you do?

NEW INTERESTS

After leaving school, girls sometimes feel that they have not sufficient to do in their leisure time, even the much hated homework has left a gap! Can we introduce them to hobbies and skills that will stand them in good stead later? Our badge system helps, but

sometimes the older girl needs a little more. Occasionally bring in the expert: a surprising number can be found in one's own area. Your local Youth Officer can help you.

Agricultural Show

Have an inter-Patrol challenge on the lines of an agricultural show. Classes could be:—

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| 1. Six small iced cakes. | 6. Carved totem pole. |
| 2. Hand knitted garment. | 7. Piece of needlework. |
| 3. Flowers arranged in an unusual container. | 8. Poster announcing visit of Pop group. |
| 4. Flowers in the smallest container. | 9. Picture made in natural materials. |
| 5. Arrangement of articles plus flowers to represent a song title. | 10. Set of lightweight equipment. |

We have tried this very successfully on a larger scale as an inter-Company competition at a rally.

Adventure

Adventure is a challenge—something that leaves a sense of achievement. It is not necessarily dangerous: even the commonplace can be adventurous, given a new slant that taxes body, mind, or spirit.

Hiking

Lighting a fire can be an adventure for recruits, but older Guides need something more. Show them how to cook without utensils—not just eggs in orange skins or sausages on sticks but exciting things like Ainsdallers or Fish Delight. Try the recipes in *Help Yourself to Hike Cookery* (C.H.Q., 1s., postage 6d.).

What about an occasional hike for the older Guides only? They do like to get away from the younger ones sometimes, and it's surprising what Captain will learn on a long walk. Take them to an unknown spot and let them really try out their map reading.

Have you tried a midnight hike? Many girls have never been outside at midnight, and even if you only stop for coffee from flasks and sandwiches it is an adventure. Better still, try a midnight hike from camp, and light a fire and cook bacon or marshmallows on sticks. It's quite a challenge to venture away from the group in the darkness looking for sticks, even if you are with a pal, and firelight has an enchantment all its own.

Your Approach

Back in the Company, let the older girls see that they are needed. Give them real responsibility. Demand high standards and you will get them.

Stand back occasionally and see if your P.L.s. are really running the Company. Did you ask them whether you could buy those groundsheets for camp?

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The P.L. in Charge

by Patricia Sugden

'YOU MAY BE the last Guides to camp here. Today Lady X, who lives at the Hall, has told us that as she has come to the conclusion that Guides are not what they were in her day she is no longer prepared to allow them to camp in her grounds. Her chief complaints are that Guides of today are:

- (a.) Untidy, and without powers of organization.
- (b.) Dull and uninteresting, with none of the old pioneering spirit.
- (c.) Lacking in all social graces.

Captain has persuaded her to visit you this afternoon, to see for herself what you are like, so now it is entirely in your hands. To prove Lady X wrong, we suggest:

- (a.) A really good Patrol hike tea.
- (b.) A rope ladder, bridge, or similar enterprise, which she can see in use.
- (c.) A small floral offering, with a few words of greeting.

As Lady X is over eighty we think you should prepare a comfortable seat for her on your hike site. We are expecting her about 5 p.m., and we will offer her tea before bringing her to each Patrol in turn. As we will also show her round the camp site be sure to leave everything tidy.'

It was the end of rest hour when this news was broken to the Leaders. There followed a moment's stunned silence—a hurried conference in mid-field—and then they scattered to collect their Patrols. For the next two hours there was feverish activity; not least by the Guides attempting to disguise one of their number as Lady X without the fact being suspected!

For the whole afternoon the Leaders were entirely responsible for their own Patrols, with complete freedom to respond to the challenge as they pleased. What preliminary training did they have? None, directly, but this degree of responsibility was the

culmination of a carefully graded series of activities, each giving slightly more scope for their abilities and demanding more and more of them for ever-increasing periods of time. In the earliest stages they had perhaps only to arrange who should collect what in a short, simple scavenger, progressing gradually until they were able to use their initiative and be in complete charge for a lengthy period. There were additional safeguards to ensure that no Patrol would be overwhelmed—the equipment available was adequate and suitable; each P.L. knew from her previous experience that she could ask for advice if she needed it, while at least one member of each Patrol had the requisite knowledge of pioneering activities.

Although this particular activity took place in camp, it could just as easily have been the new Vicar or Youth Organizer who needed convincing that the Guides merited the use of their meeting-place or the mother who was doubtful of what Guiding could offer her daughter. There are countless possible situations, depending on the activities you wish to include. With very capable and experienced Leaders the choice of activity could be left to them, each Patrol deciding which aspect of Guiding they wished to stress.

The original was a great success—far more so than we had ever anticipated. What was its appeal?

Firstly, suspense; the Guides just did not know whether to believe the story or not. Secondly, the challenge. One of the P.L.s. was heard to say: 'They (the Guiders) must think we can do it because they have left it entirely to us. They trust us, so we can't let them down.'

In that, I think, lies the crux of the matter. If the P.L. is in charge she must be given the responsibility FOR WHICH SHE IS READY, without interference from us.

We must trust her or else we will let her down.

do it matters more. We must care about the individual and we must be sincere.

Through Guiding we can give the girl an insight into: 1. Committee procedure through the correct running of our Court of Honour. 2. A sense of responsibility by demanding high standards—and seeing that we ourselves conform. 3. Opportunities of developing personality by widening interests and developing skills. 4. Opportunities for adventure by challenging programmes. 5. Opportunities for service.

This is a challenge to us. Are we answering it?

14-16

(continued from page 339)

Did they have charge of the jumble sale and handle the money, or did you merely let them do the collecting while you brought in ever-willing mums to do the serving?

Can we find opportunities for them to serve the community through the Company Good Turn?

We, as Guiders, have a unique privilege in being able to help the 14-16-year-old at a most vital stage in her development. What we do matters, but how we



Points of View



What About Us?

HOORAH for the new Guide caps! At last we ought to see all hats worn at more or less the same angle without cries of 'But, Captain, I look awful with no hair showing at the front!'

May I suggest that it is time we Guiders also had a new style of hat? The present ones are second only to the Guides' in the variety of ways they can be worn; they rarely look smart and have no style or character whatsoever. Almost anything would be an improvement!

S. RAWCLIFFE

[Captain, 30th Blackpool Coy., Lancs. N.W.]

WOULD IT NOT BE a good idea for Guiders to have a cap instead of the beret, especially for the younger Guiders such as Tawny Owls and Lieutenants. These could be piped with blue for Lieutenants and brown for Tawny Owls. I am sure they would look much smarter and feel more comfortable than the present beret, which I personally find a job to keep on.

N. COULBECK

[Tawny Owl, 27th Grimsby (St. John's) Pack, Lincs.]

MANY thanks to the Uniform Committee for producing the new style cap for Guides—no more navy blue haloes to contend with! Now, please, may we put in a plea for ourselves and the Cadets; actually I rather fancy myself in a field service cap. I never could keep my beret on properly.

B. J. EDWARDS

[Captain, 1st Cold Ash Coy., Berks.]

I WAS very pleased to see the advertisement for the Guide cap (October GUIDER). I think it will readily be accepted and liked by the Guides, although I hope it is not too like the Ranger forage caps, as the wearing of these is something for Guides to look forward to when they go on to Rangers.

As you have changed the Guides' berets, when are you going to change the Guiders' ones? I have only been a Guider for a year, but the beret is the trouble of my Guiding life! I just cannot get one that fits comfortably and looks nice. I am sure I speak for many Guiders, young and old, when I say we need a change too, on similar lines to the Guide and Ranger caps.

ALISON CRUTCH

[Lieutenant, 3rd Bromley Coy., Kent W.]

The Guide Law

K. Sessions' excellent suggestions on the Guide Law wording in the October 'Points of View' lead me to answer her query about Law 9. Would not 'A Guide is careful about her own and other people's property' include what we now mean by thrift: not harming

trees, shutting gates, not wearing stiletto heels and spoiling the polished floors when visiting patients in hospital, stopping a ladder in a stocking; shutting a biscuit box whenever a biscuit has been removed, and so saving the District Commissioner having to eat stale chocolate biscuits! (See page 312, October GUIDER.) Above all, avoiding LITTER.

Some years ago Mr. Colman (of Colman's Mustard) lent his lovely park at Gatton for the Surrey county rally, and arranged for eight men to clear the litter after it was over but there was none. Every Guide and Brownie had been responsible for their visitors' litter, and any extra bit found was pounced upon; they had set themselves a challenge. It added to the fun—and what splendid publicity.

Here are my suggestions for alterations in the Law:

3. A Guide is useful and helps others. She tries to do at least one good turn to someone every day.

4. A Guide is a friend to all irrespective of her creed or colour.

8. A Guide is brave, and cheerful under difficulties.

9. A Guide is careful of her own and other people's property, including that of her country.

Concerning Law 6, I once asked a Guide why she had joined, and she said: 'Because a Guide is a friend to animals, and I love animals.' Perhaps she thought she would learn more about them?

A. M. MAYNARD

SOME of us have held these ten tiny Laws (rules) for most of 50 years—and they have been strong in upholding our Guide beliefs. I say 'No, do not change the Guide Law.' If I see Guides behaving badly outside the Guide meeting, I always feel that they belong to a Company where the Law is not sufficiently taught to them. I would add a law for Guiders: All Guides must be doubly checked on their understanding of the Guide Law.

Our Founder, as I knew him, did not consider that the Laws alone made the perfect Scout or Guide: the Law was intended to help them to remember their responsibility for their own life and for the lives of others. It is an ideal. Guides of 13 to 14 especially need help and reminding about the importance of living up to the Law.

It says in P.O.R.: 'The Girl Guide Movement has been incorporated by Royal Charter for the purpose of: developing good citizenship among girls by forming their character; training them in habits of observation, obedience, and self-reliance; inculcating loyalty and thoughtfulness for others.' As in learning a coded alphabet, you have to learn your letters by constantly using them. Let us keep the Law and practise it.

K. STUART

[Greenodd, Ulverston, Lancs.]

SINCE reading Mrs. Griffith's articles in the June and July GUIDER I have made it my business to talk to as many Guides as I can, from my own Company and others. I have had the second article out over and over again. I have discussed it with neat grammar school girls and people who have started work; D stream 11's and A stream 16's; people who say, 'Of course Mummy washes my tie every week', and people who think that Guide uniform is incomplete without a hairy orange sweater slopping nearly to the knees and who peer at you through a Yorkshire Terrier bunch of greasy hair...

It was one of these last who summed it up for me when she said, 'Of course loyalty and courtesy and that aren't common words—but if it hadn't been for Guides I'd never have heard of 'em: now I know 'em and believe 'em—and isn't it queer the way you keep finding fresh bits in 'em?'

LOIS BRUCE BACON
[Captain, 3rd Wellington (Methodist Church) Coy., Somerset]

Our Curious Names

IN AN interview with our local Press, I once again came up against the difficulty in explaining—or rather in explaining away—our curious collection of names for our adult leaders. I do believe that the terms 'Commissioner', 'Captain', 'Lieutenant', 'Brown Owl', and 'Tawny' are a very definite handicap in putting Guiding over to the public and a real stumbling-block to recruiting adults to the Movement.

For a Movement with no less an aim than the brotherhood of mankind, surely the names 'Captain' and 'Lieutenant' are unnecessarily military? Even 'Commissioner' suggests imperial power. On the other hand a young adult invited to train to run a Brownie Pack may well find 'Brown Owl' too whimsical.

May I put forward the idea that in order to bring ourselves in line with modern thought (I speak from

over forty years' connection with Guiding) we should make far greater use of that expressive and generally acceptable name of 'Leader'? Starting with the all-important Patrol Leader, we could continue logically through the various positions in the Movement. We could have the Pack Leader, the Company Leader, District Leader, Division Leader—right the way through to County Leader. (It should not be beyond our ingenuity to re-name our present Pack Leaders and Company Leaders.)

If we adopted this simple scheme, our names would be self-explanatory to the public and we would also remove the lingering impression within the Movement of the status symbol of the term 'Commissioner'. As we all appreciate that the most valuable adults amongst us are the leaders of the Companies and Packs, I feel sure that all Commissioners would be privileged to share with them the all-embracing term of 'Leader'.

Even if such wholesale changes are only the wish of a minority, please let us be finished with 'Captain' and 'Lieutenant'!

DOROTHY CLARKE
[Division Commissioner, Bedford]

Guiding in Boarding Schools

WHAT can be done to encourage boarding schools to further Guiding by encouraging Guide Companies? It seems vital that every effort should be made to try to get interest, and one hopes help, from such schools, where one would hope to foster future Guiders.

I have belonged to the Movement for forty years and am sad that my daughter was unable to join a Guide Company when she went to school. Now I am afraid she will never belong as other interests have crept in.

R. S. JOHNSON
[Division Commissioner, Central Cornwall]

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Towards a Greater Maturity

by J. A Simpson, H.M.I.

An extract from a talk given by Mr. J. A. Simpson, H.M.I., at the English County Commissioners' Conference at C.H.Q. on 30th September. Mr. Simpson asks us to say that the views expressed in his talk are his personal opinions and must not be taken as representing the views of the Department of Education and Science or H.M. Inspectorate.—EDITOR

Maturity is not being a certain chronological age, or developing certain physical characteristics, or having done or learnt certain things. It is not sophistication. I think I can do no better than repeat Cabot's short definition—maturity is the ability to love, work, play and worship. All of them involve the ability to get outside the closed circle of self, to make a real contact with someone or something beyond, and not treat them merely as mirrors reflecting the self.

Because loving means, as well as desire, a real care for the other for the other's own sake; working (unless it is compulsory, whip-driven stuff) means losing oneself in something larger—in the creation of form or order or service to someone. Playing again

is forgetting oneself—doing things for their own sake, for fun, not because they are a means of displaying oneself or gaining status.

Perhaps it is the hardest of all the mature qualities to achieve—the ability to play, because, like worship, it is really regaining something we had in early childhood. For worship involves a sense of awe and wonder and gratitude and belonging which we found easy when we were very small. To maturity of this sort—the ability to work, love, play and worship—Guiding can and does make a vital contribution in the lives of many girls and in a way that is as much in harmony with recent educational and psychological and sociological thinking as it is with commonsense and good traditions.

Next Month: Enlarging Personality

New Books

Painting Book No. 5 is the latest in the series to be published by the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (1s. 6d., postage 6d.), and is an excellent introduction of Brownies in other lands to our Packs. The outlines are of attractive, lively children in the uniforms of the new Tenderfoot countries. On the back of every picture are lists, in four languages, of the colours of the uniforms. E.M.B.

Folding Paper Toys (15s.) and **Folding Paper Puppets** (12s. 6d.), by Shari Lewis and Lillian Oppenheimer (Frederick Muller) are fascinating books for those who are neat with their fingers and who enjoy occupying children: they are also ideal for any Brownie Guider planning wet weather activities for a Pack Holiday.

The books contain information and general instructions on Origami, the Japanese art of paper folding, and include a delightful variety of paper toys and puppets, play toys, animals to use as illustrations for stories, and a wealth of ideas on mobiles, greeting cards, party tricks, and decorations.

The illustrations are large and clear, and the instructions straightforward. These are not, however, books suitable for children to work from. Like most handcrafts, this art is best learned from a practical demonstration by one who knows how. The models shown in the books need no scissors or paste: paper is the only material required.

One word of warning: don't introduce these books before any kind of meeting if you want to get through your planned business! E.H.

Dolls to Make for Fun and Profit by Edith F. Ackley (21s. The World's Work Ltd.). If your Guides or Rangers want help in making or dressing dolls for 'Dolls Unlimited' this book is just the one to supply it. Indeed it will probably so enthuse them that doll making for sales-of-work or presents may well become a habit! The author writes from great experience and the illustrations are clear and add greatly to the value of the book. B.B.

Pony Trekking for All, by J. Kerr Hunter (Nelson, 7s. 6d.) is an entertaining and informative guide by one who has first-hand experience. Chapters for beginners and would-be instructors: appendix of pony trekking centres and promoting associations. J.H.

About Dogs by Brian Vesey-Fitzgerald (Faber and Faber, 15s.) is a refreshing book as the author has introduced theories that while not entirely original are new in approach. He is extremely practical in his instructions to dog owners on their behaviour towards their dogs and I hope this book will be widely read and its advice followed. The illustrations are good and well chosen. D.L.

Buttons in the Back, by Elizabeth Kirtland (World's Work, 3s. 6d.) is the story of a little girl with plenty of imagination who tried hard to be 'somebody else': a charming mixture of truth and make-believe, told with great insight into a child's mind. J.H.



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This story, taken from *A Child's Book of Saints* by William Canton, was the climax in a programme given by Guides (aged 13-16) who attended the Drama Camp sponsored by the Church Army in August at Hurstpierpoint, Sussex. They came from many parts of England, most of them strangers to one another, but quickly becoming friends as they shared in the fun of this 'camp-with-a-difference'. In no time the producer, Miss Mary Jackson, Assistant Drama Adviser, C.H.Q., had sensed the gifts of the group and was devising a programme of songs, music, dancing and a sketch which would enable each Guide to give of her best.

Wendy was spotted as an obvious choice for the fishmonger as soon as she appeared in an enormous navy-blue apron with white stripes, which she had begged from her butcher to wear in camp. Penny's perfect control and gift of dramatic expression soon destined her for the part of Thomas, which she played most movingly. Lynn's solemn expression hid an enormous fund of humour and she was cast as the village simpleton. She also revealed her talent for inventing and telling stories when she completed her Entertainer Badge at the end of the week. The three



young French Guiders who were guests at the camp played their part with a charming group of songs.

The entertainment was given twice: once in the Hove Division camp-site, 'The Dell', in Danny Park, which was a most perfect setting, before an audience that included the camp tradesmen, old people from a nearby home, Guides from camp and many others, and a second time before Guides at Blackland. The Guides were delighted that their collections for the Church Army's appeal for money to build new hostels raised over £10.

The achievement of this ten-day camp lay not only in the opportunity it gave the Guides of giving pleasure to their audience, but also in the balance between camp life, with all its normal demands and activities, and the time given to rehearsal. The Guides' own enthusiasm was the key. The wood Patrol was regularly off to the woods by 6 a.m. A good staff of Guiders who were prepared to be flexible (someone to stand-in for Q.M. when she was coping with costumes or for M.O. when she was directing movement) was also essential. Worship was central in the camp: the offering to God of the gifts of each, with the readiness to accept the disciplines involved, a lesson which was brought home supremely on the last morning when Holy Communion was celebrated at the spot which was already hallowed as the scene of the altar in the play.

AUDREY V. SHILLING

[National Guide Director, The Church Army]

A NEW SCOUT FILM

The Beavers Break Through, a 16 mm. sound film in colour produced by the Bristol Ciné Society for the Boy Scouts Association, is designed to show the Patrol System in action and especially the responsibilities of a P.L. taking his Patrol to camp. Any Guide with a Patrol Camp Permit will have a fellow feeling for Iain, the P.L., and all Guides who have been to Patrol camps will feel at home in this Scout Camp. The adventures that befall the Beaver Patrol, and call for its courage and resourcefulness, are not improbable and

keep the audience in suspense. This film, written and directed by Philip Grosset and Fred Lorenz, with photography by Ron Elson and F. Lorenz, would offer half an hour's good entertainment at any Guide/Scout gathering and could equally well be shown to an audience of adults interested in the Movement. 'The Beavers Break Through' can be hired from the Publicity Department, Boy Scouts Association, 25 Buckingham Palace Road, London, S.W.1 for 20s.

B.K.A.



Lorne

GUIDERS attending trainings at Foxlease, Waddow, Netherurd, Broneirion, Lorne, and the Training Ship are eligible for Training Bursaries. A Guider may receive only one Bursary to help her to attend one training, and she must not have received a Bursary before. In exceptional circumstances, however, a Commissioner may recommend a Guider for a second Bursary. This applies particularly when a Guider is changing to another Branch or becoming a Commissioner. Fare Bur-

Where to Train

TRAINING BURSARIES

saries are available only for the nearest Training Centre.

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



Waddow

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 and date of the training. Application must be made at least a fortnight before the training.

COMMONWEALTH HEADQUARTERS

(Please note new scale of fees at Foxlease and Waddow)

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

The Training Centres also accept other bookings from organizations outside the Guide movement (e.g., L.E.A.'s, Church groups, etc.) which, owing to lack of space, are not listed.

FOXLEASE

Lyndhurst, Hants.

NOTE: Owing to alterations to kitchens and dining-room we regret that the first training at Foxlease in 1965 is not until February.

OCTOBER

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 Guiders (All Sections)

20-24 Camp-Fire (*especially for those who have not attended a similar training before*)

Nov. 27-DEC. 1 Commissioners, and Guide and Brownie Guiders (*separate sessions*)

1965

FEBRUARY

19-22 Camp-Fire

27-MAR. 1 Guide (*emphasis on Training the P.L.*) and Brownie Guiders

MARCH

5-8 Senior Branch Guiders (All Sections)

12-15 Guide (*emphasis on Guide Service Flash*) and Brownie Guiders

19-22 Commissioners, Guide and Brownie Guiders

26-29 Guide and Brownie Guiders

APRIL

2-5 London N.W.

9-12 All-London

15-26 Leadership Training for Guide Guiders (*See page 328*)

30-MAY 3 Guide and Brownie Guiders

MAY

7-10 London S.W.

14-17 Guide and Brownie Guiders (*emphasis on outdoors in town and country*)

21-24 Guide and Brownie Guiders

28-31 Cambridgeshire

JUNE

4-11 (1) Guide and Brownie Guiders

(2) Extension Guiders

JUNE

15-22 Commissioners, Guide and Brownie Guiders (Mothers and Babies)

25-28 London S.E.

JULY

2-5 Guide and Brownie Guiders

WADDOW

Clitheroe, Lancs.

OCTOBER

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

DECEMBER

30-JAN 8 Guide and Brownie Guiders (*New Year Party*)

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FEBRUARY

5-8 Lancashire S.E.

12-15 Guide and Brownie Guiders

19-22 Guide and Brownie Guiders

26-28 N.W. Area Camp Advisers

MARCH

5-8 Camp-Fire (*especially for those who have not attended a similar training before*)

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APRIL
2-5 Commissioners (by invitation)
9-12 Guide and Brownie Guiders (special places for Lone Guiders).
15-22 Leadership Course for Guiders and members of the Senior Branch between the ages of 15 and 18 years.
24-MAY 3 Leadership Training for Guide Guiders (see page 328)

MAY
1-3 Guide and Brownie Guiders
7-10 Guide (emphasis on training the Patrol Leader) and Brownie Guiders
14-17 Yorkshire W.R.N.W.
21-24 Guide and Brownie Guiders
28-30 Congregational Guiders

JUNE
4-11 Patrol Leaders
18-21 Guide and Brownie Guiders
25-28 1. Senior Branch (all Sections)
2. Guide and Brownie Guiders

JULY
2-5 Guide and Brownie Guiders (Sessions for Commissioners)
9-12 1. Guide and Brownie Guiders
2. Camp Fire

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DIPLOMA'D GUIDERS' CONFERENCE 1965

A C.H.Q. CONFERENCE for Diploma'd Guiders will be held at Bodington Hall, Leeds University, on 17th-20th September, 1965. Further details will be announced in due course.

TRAINING WITH A DIFFERENCE

For full details of two interesting new training ideas please see page 328.

1. PROGRESSIVE COURSE, over a series of dates in February and March, 1965, partly at Beatrice Webb House, Dorking, partly at C.H.Q., and partly at Foxlease; and
2. TEN-DAY RESIDENTIAL LEADERSHIP TRAINING, in April-May, at Foxlease or Waddow

ENGLAND

COMMISSIONERS. There will be two trainings for District and Division Commissioners, one on Wednesday, 4th November, from 10.30 a.m.—3 p.m., and a repeat of this training on Saturday, 7th November, from 11 a.m.—4 p.m. FEE for each training 2s. (Tea and biscuits on Saturday 1s. extra.)

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Foxlease and Waddow Camp-Sites
 APPLICATIONS for sites will be considered during the second week of January. They should be addressed to the Secretary and the envelope marked 'Camp'. Suggested dates should be given with possible alternatives and approximate numbers and (in the case of Foxlease) whether an equipped site is required.

At Foxlease, camps may begin on any weekday; at Waddow, Saturday is preferred. During the main season bookings may be for only one week.

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'THE BEST LAID PLANS ...'

... of mice, men, and Brown Owls gang aft agley, to misquote Robert Burns. A few weeks ago I worked out in great detail a 'bus crash' for my Brownies. It was experimental and, I thought, a bit too organized to be very popular. How wrong can one be? It was the most popular new 'game' we have had for months, but—organized ...?

The idea was to have half the Pack in the bus, with sundry injuries, while the other half were Lend-a-Hand-ing Brownies. Each injured person was given a card saying what her injury was, and the First Aiders were given corresponding cards and had to find the appropriately injured person. The driver, poor girl, had broken both legs, so must not be moved until the ambulance arrived. Two Brownies were detailed to carry messages—one to telephone for an ambulance, and the other to ask the nearest householder for blankets, hot drinks, and other comforts.

So much was arranged by me. Then the Brownies took over. To start with, the crash was more realistic than I had anticipated—chairs and Brownies all over the floor, and it would not have surprised me unduly if the driver had indeed fractured both legs. Then the agonized screams from the injured made it difficult to believe that the most serious injury (apart from the driver's broken legs, of course) was a cut knee. However the Brownies, bless them, rushed to the rescue. We

did in fact get two tolerably bandaged knees, although I feel the patients might have been in need of treatment for shock after the First Aid if not before.

The finger bandaging was not a great success, but it must be agreed that it is not easy to bandage a Brownie-sized finger, especially when the patient is bouncing up and down with excitement.

As for the messengers, they went completely berserk. On the assumption that it is unlikely that a bus will crash neatly alongside a telephone kiosk, they were told to run twice round the room before delivering their message. This I decided later was a mistake, for they both started to run, and infected by the general noise and what have you, forgot to stop, but ran round and round telling the world at the tops of their voices, 'There's been a crash! There's been a crash!'

What can one do? Tawny and I watched helplessly until we decided it was time to stop this nonsense, but were immediately besieged with requests to play it again. 'I want to be the driver and break both legs,' said one Brownie. 'I want to bandage somebody's knee,'—this from our rawest recruit who could not know a reef knot from a French knot.

I am still trying to decide whether it was my greatest fiasco yet, or my greatest success.

J. D. TAYLOR

DON'T WE ALL!

FOUR BROWNIE Packs, and two Guide Patrols were on one side, while the Cubs and Scouts were on the other. We were told to stand at attention, and Brown Owl and the Commandant of Police, Mr. Wincler, looked at us. After he had looked at all of us on our side we were allowed to FALL LIMP while the other side had their turn.

(From a Brownie's account of a St. George's Day parade at Manama, Bahrain.)

Illustrated by
C. Towner



1st CLASS IN 6 MONTHS

(See THE GUIDE)

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(27th November)

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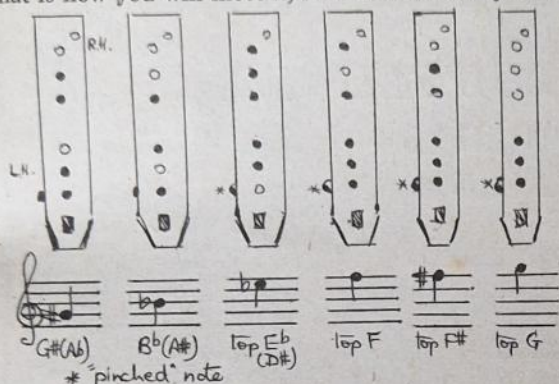
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by Daphne Bird

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3. If you are playing with someone else do make sure recorders are in tune with each other; a recorder can be flattened a little by pulling out a joint slightly.

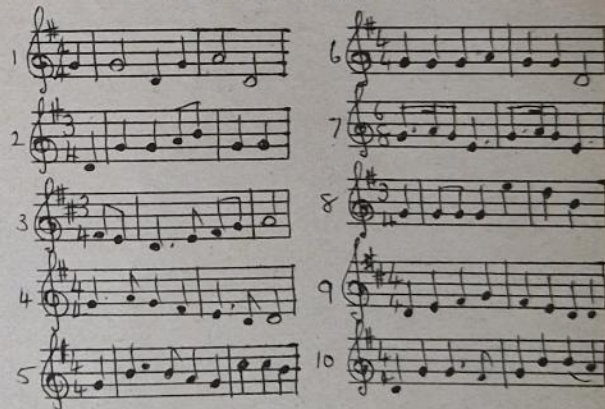
4. If playing out of doors, turn your back to the wind; it is not then such hard work.

This month we give the openings of well-known carols. You will find them in most hymn books, or you can begin as here, and continue by ear.

If you are going carol-singing, recorders do help to keep your choir in tune and they sound lovely out of doors. Most of the descants in hymn and carol books are playable on a recorder, and they lend variety if added to one or two verses. Any music shop will show you small, inexpensive books (published mostly by Schott's) where carols are arranged in three parts—two descants and one treble—and these make a good instrumental interlude if you can find someone who plays the treble recorder.

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