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"Would we ever see the white waters of the Black Forest?"

"Canoeing had become something special in our Company and all our weekend outings started to revolve around finding exciting water for our kayak enthusiasts, to battle with the eddies, falls and currents. The trouble was, the more we went out the more money we needed, and our kayaks were costing more to maintain.

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The following telegram was sent to Her Majesty The Queen on the occasion of her birthday:

ON BEHALF OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION I SEND YOUR MAJESTY OUR WARMEST CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR BIRTHDAY AND OUR VERY BEST WISHES FOR MANY HAPPY RETURNS OF THE DAY

SHEILA WALKER
Chief Commissioner

Her Majesty's reply:

I THANK YOU AND ALL MEMBERS OF THE GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION MOST SINCERELY FOR YOUR KIND CONGRATULATIONS ON MY BIRTHDAY

ELIZABETH R

Cover

HM The Queen talks to Brownies and Guides on March 2nd, 1977, at Timaru during her Silver Jubilee visit to New Zealand. Photograph by Anwar Hussein.

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GUIDING ROUNDAABOUT



Jean E. Lomas

Quite a feather in her cap. Mrs Gladys Sutterworth recently retired as Division Commissioner for Blackpool (West Lancs) where she joined the Movement as a Guide over 30 years ago. She is here pictured surrounded by Redskin squaws at her retirement party.



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Shrewsbury Chronicle

It's not every day that a Brownie Pack is able to meet The Lady Baden-Powell, but these lucky Shrewsbury Brownies met her from the train when she visited Shropshire to speak to Shropshire Girl Guides AGM in March.



Dundee Courier & Advertiser

Left, A ninety minute sponsored silence was quite a challenge to Brownies of 1st Norton (Worcs) Pack. Funds raised went towards the cost of a new steeple for Drakes Broughton Church. . . . And by way of contrast, the best sound came from the 42nd Steeple Coy, Dundee at the fourth County Folk Festival held last year, above.

A new Guide Hall, 'The Elizabeth Sharp Memorial Hall' was opened in Kirkcaldy, Fife this spring, left. A Brownie presents a pot plant to Mrs Bentley, cousin of the late Miss Sharp, after whom the hall is named. Mrs Bentley performed the opening ceremony.

Right are two Wimbledon Park Guides, Janet Horgan (left) and Andrea Groom who created this lovely flower arrangement around their Company's colours, for a Church Flower Festival. Their arrangement is admirably in keeping with the hymn they chose 'Brightly gleams our Banner Pointing to the Sky.'



Mrs J. Hucks



Andrew K. Bulfinch

The Development Board for rural Wales Jubilee Scheme awarded a grant of £500 to Brecknock Girl Guides for the purchase of a storage hut and to equip a permanent camp site. County Commissioner Miss Lillian Evans is pictured above accepting a cheque at a presentation held in Brecon on March 7th.



Mrs C Reid

A Ranger Investiture Ceremony took place at Dalkeith's Thinking Day Service in Buccleuch Church, Dalkeith this year. The Ranger being invested by Dalkeith's District Commissioner, Mrs Catherine Reid, is Agnes Dickson (1st Dalkeith Ranger Unit). Ranger Guider Mrs Elizabeth Smail looks on.



Grr Johnson, Regimental Photographer



Kings Lynn News & Advertiser

A sponsored walk by Clenchwarton Brownies, Guides, Rangers, Guiders and one mum raised £305.89 for equipment for the Guides' camp next month. Above, the girls admire their new gear.



Flintshire Leader

When Mrs June Churchman retired from her position as County Commissioner for Clwyd, she was presented with a travelling clock and a cheque by Lady Margaret Myddleton, on behalf of the Clwyd Girl Guides Association. Mrs Churchman is pictured third from right.

Winning smiles abound... At Whitmarsh District Guides' and Brownies' Jubilee sports, Councillor Bernard Kirtton, Chairman of Warwick District Council, presented the certificates to the winners.



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No troubled waters under this bridge... some British Guides of Gütersloh District in Germany (left) held a District camp at the youth campsite in Sennelager with Guides from Lippstadt, and one of their tasks was the construction of a bridge from logs.

Nothing 'wet' about these Brownies, who belong to the 2nd Wishaw Pack. They took part in a sponsored swim, for which their efforts brought in the sum of £226 sponsorship money. Half the sum was donated towards a kidney unit in Glasgow, and the other half went towards 'Chalets for the Disabled' in the Southernness Holiday village in Dumfriesshire.



Rodger Price

Our International Commissioner's Annual Report to the GGA Executive

* See also last month's Community Relations Report

The Commonwealth and International Department has not had an easy year. We started the year with a new head of department but this was to be short-lived as she soon became ill and after not returning for several months her employment was terminated. Mrs Cawwell came in on a part-time basis until September when Mrs Fouché was able to take up her appointment. I myself was often unable to give the extra attention required as I was needed increasingly by a special member of our family who was becoming weaker. Full attention is now being given to the department and we are once again in 'working order'; we apologise for any lack of service during the summer months. I would, though, like to thank the staff who have worked so hard during this time and carried the extra burden.

It is with sadness that we have to report a decrease in the numbers travelling abroad. The main fall in numbers is in the private parties and this could well be contributed to by finance. On looking at our forms the numbers travelling in each private party seems fairly consistent and much the same as in previous years.

The reports from all those who went abroad to events for which there were official invitations are most interesting. They have obviously gained an enormous amount and are thrilled by the new friendships they have made and by what they have done and seen. Home hospitality has been much appreciated and enjoyed. It is such a shame these lucky few are not given more chance to share their experiences — any meeting or gathering would gain so much from hearing about these visits abroad.

Most of the travel arrangements were good but we are not entirely satisfied and a careful examination is being done by the department.

During the year we have been considering an international logo and have now settled on our boat. We hope this will draw

attention to our very important aspect of Guiding. The logo already appears in *GUIDER* magazine on the page of 'HQ Notices' where we list any overseas events that month and counties who have members attending; unfortunately because of lack of space only the leader's name can be given.

Our 'logo' of one or more boats, to draw readers' attention to items about international Guiding events.



A highlight of the year was the County Commonwealth and International Advisers' Conference in September at York. This was a great success and judging from the letters participants have been kind enough to write was much appreciated and enjoyed. The Conference dealt very much with the basic job of a County Commonwealth and International Adviser. All our speakers came up trumps and were most constructive. We have all gained from this event, the County and Regional Advisers and I are full of enthusiasm and ideas.

I spent a very happy afternoon in Gloucestershire with Guides from Monaco who were camping on the county camp site.

Miss Lambert, Commonwealth and International Secretary, and I attended the European International Commissioners' Conference in Denmark in March. This was a joint Scout/Guide Conference and was a good opportunity to discuss items of mutual concern and get to know the International Commissioners better, also a good forerunner to the European Conference.

I was very pleased to have been part of the United Kingdom delegation to the European Conference. It is of great value to the International Commissioner to attend such Conferences.

I would like to thank the Executive Committee for its support and tolerance during a difficult year.

Patience Baden-Powell
International Commissioner

AN INTERNATIONAL THINKING DAY

LIVING in a community of 14 nations, here at SHAPE, Belgium, it is impossible not to think internationally. However, February 22nd is known as 'Thinking Day', not only to commemorate the birthdays of Lord Baden-Powell, The Founder, and his wife, The World Chief Guide, but set aside for us to think of those in the Movement in other countries throughout the world. This year it was the British District's turn to host the celebrations which took place on Saturday, February 18th, in the International Cafeteria. With 278 Girl Scouts/Guides of every nationality and of many different faiths, the Rev Simms, International Padre, started the proceedings with a short service and children in national costumes and national Guide/Scout uniforms enlivened the ceremony as they came to light a candle depicting many countries throughout the world.

Each of the 14 Units/Troops had put up a static display, produced a finger buffet of typical food, and produced an entertainment from its chosen country. We had Belgian Brownies who had learnt an Irish Dance, Americans showing Mexican games, an excellent sketch of American personalities including Juliette Low, the American Girl Scout Founder. We were 'charmed' by the two part tenor recorders of British Brownies, whose snakes rose from Indian baskets as facts about life in India were told, and in their display was a tiny figure wearing a sari, as well as a local Brownie known as a Buibui.



A 'toilet-roll' Taj Mahal — made by 1st Mons Brownies.

Mrs Goodson, British District Commissioner (SHAPE), and Mrs Ferguson, Neighbourhood Chairman of the American Girl Scouts, cut the enormous Thinking Day cake, made by Cpl Edwards and decorated beautifully by Cpl Reynolds of the UK Mess in the motif of the International World Badge, and large enough for 300 people! The children then went tea tasting; eating currypuffs from India, Red Indian and Eskimo food, Australian peaches, fried Mexican bananas and Dutch cheeses, an education in itself!

Parties end too soon, and as children

left to face the freezing temperature outside many came to say 'Thank you'. Two Italian Cadettes (Guides) said they were thrilled to take part and would be going home this summer and would not have missed this opportunity, which they will always remember. So will all the children, as they learn to live and play internationally and learn to understand the customs of other countries so they will grow into adults whose horizons continue to broaden in international understanding.

Mrs H J Goodson,
SHAPE, Belgium.

It's Been a Year

It is a year since at about 10.30 on the night of June 25th our Chief Guide slipped away and ceased to be physically with us. Each one of us has a personal memory of where we were and when we heard the news; of how the World seemed to stop and yet went on.

Her large World family was united in Thanksgiving for her life, her leadership and inspiration and the determination to attain ever-higher standards of Guiding in tribute to her.

Mr Whalley, the owner of the Nursing Home where the World Chief Guide spent her last four years wrote: 'It is very hard to believe that Lady Baden-Powell is no longer with us. In fact, in spirit, she will always be at Birtley House and we shall feel the better for her presence'.

As we continue to think of the World Association in this its 50th year, it is right we should think of its Leader.

Olave, Lady Baden-Powell, was asked to be World Chief Guide in 1930. She was attending the 6th World Conference at Foxlease. She went out of the meeting to take a telephone call and when she returned she was told that in her absence they had decided she should be their World Chief Guide. In her diary she wrote: 'Monday July 7th World Conference begins (Dame) Helen Gwynne Vaughan in the Chair and to my surprise they chose and decided that I am to be called "Chief Guide of the World" — Like Robin (her beloved husband). It is a huge compliment and I feel the responsibility very much.' She had been Chief Guide of this Association since 1917; a position she continued to hold.

She took the responsibility very seriously and spent the rest of her life working for the betterment and furtherance of World Guiding.

She travelled extensively, bringing encouragement and stimulation to her worldwide family. She did not go as a visitor, but wherever she was, she was 'at home'. She knew the leading Guiders well and the formation and style of

their Guiding. This is not to say she was not given a great welcome and made much of, quite the reverse, but she was their Chief, one of them. Her famous smile and enchanting personality captivated everyone she came in contact with.

She also took with her a great sense of fun and friendship. She was known for her letters, her own style of typing with its capital letters; she typed them long into the

night, never forgetting to thank anyone. She wrote also innumerable messages and pieces for the Guiding magazines.

She entertained continuously, welcoming to her home friends of every sort. They came to Pax Hill, Paxtu and Hampton Court Palace for overnight hospitality, meals, advice and entertaining conversation. They came as individuals and in groups.

She cared about them all.

Her family now numbers over seven million and the World Association has a membership of 94 national Organisations.

After her husband died the Chief Guide said: 'The end is only the beginning'. Her end, I believe, is only the start of an even greater beginning into the next half century.

Patience Baden-Powell,
International Commissioner.



Above, a summer sun-bonneted photograph of the late World Chief Guide aged twenty (then Olave Soames).

The photograph above was taken in Devon in 1906. Olave Soames is centre, on horseback. With her are her father, Harold Soames, and her sister Auriol.



A characteristic pose at the typewriter, left.

Below, with her pet dogs at Luscombe, Devon, 1905.



J. F. Appel, Esq





Display to mark the Golden Jubilee of the Liverpool shop.



Delegates listening to one of the speakers at the Conference.

The Marketing of Training or A

MARCH 31st was Grand National weekend, and all roads led to Liverpool, but for 350 Trainers and Commissioners they led not to Aintree but to Carnatic Hall and the Training Conference. Miss Marjorie Edwards, Conference Chairman, in her welcome, stressed that this was the first national Training Conference to include Chairmen of Training, Trainers and Commissioners; the growing awareness of the breadth of training and the realisation that it is the concern of many, made this the right moment for representatives of all groups to meet together to discuss their mutual responsibility for training.

And we listened, we discussed, we argued — but we all agreed that together 'we could work it out'.

The theme of the Conference, 'The Marketing of Training', and the use of advertising jargon seemed, at first, a little inappropriate but Miss Ann Burdus, Vice Chairman of McCann-Erickson Advertising Limited, fascinated us with her exposition of the skills of marketing. The relationship between selling a packet of detergent and a Training may, on the surface, appear remote but both have to be in the right place at the right time, both have to be modified to suit the needs of the particular client and the resultant effectiveness of both products has to be monitored.

It is always interesting to listen to an expert talking about her own subject and Miss Burdus gave us much that is relevant to our forward

thinking, particularly the importance of recognising the difference between a need and a want and the vital importance of good communication — our greatest enemy is inertia. Her final sentence said it all — 'Guiding is training, not only of young people but the continuous personal training of everyone associated with it'.

Both Miss Burdus and the films on customer relations that we saw on Friday evening emphasised that effective selling is accomplished in the one-to-one situation. What better way to start a Conference than looking at marketing with those masters of the ridiculous, John Cleese and June Whitfield? Light-hearted — yes — but effective in illustrating the understanding achieved by a 'meeting of minds'.

The meeting of our minds in the discussion groups may not have been quite so professional, but the exchange of ideas and opinions was valuable and stimulating. From the mass of recommendations one thing emerged strongly — effort should

The Chief Commissioner, Mrs Owen Walker, with Miss Marjorie Edwards, Training Adviser and Miss Barbara Ryrie, Chairman of Programme and Training.



be concentrated on helping the District Commissioner/District Assistant with her responsibility for ensuring that Guiders are given all possible help and support. And we had to admit that we are not always successful in assessing and meeting real needs.

Saturday afternoon gave those who were strangers to Liverpool an opportunity to see the two magnificent Cathedrals — sadly, in the rain — while others participated in a variety of Workshops on various aspects of the role of Trainer and Commissioner (it was rumoured that a few truants actually saw the Grand National!).

On Sunday Miss Mary Nixon, Deputy Chief Commissioner for Scotland, in her inimitable fashion, made us laugh and made us think — about our ability as communicators, about the effectiveness of the 'one night Training stand', about our understanding of the needs of people, about making Guiding available to every girl whatever her background, about stretching out to all kinds of people everywhere, and about training with our hearts.

The heart of the matter, the partnership between Commissioners and Trainers, was superbly illustrated in the final session by the Chief Commissioner, Mrs Owen Walker, and the Chairman of Programme and Training, Miss Barbara Ryrie in 'Selling it Together'. Both emphasised the importance of the individual, each making her own unique contribution to the total



Bob Bird

Delegates studying the Country/Region displays mounted at the back of the Conference Hall.



Bob Bird

Left to Right, Miss Pat Jackson (Sheffield), Miss Margaret Sinclair (Durham) and Miss Marjorie Emsley (Programme Adviser).

Meeting Of Minds In Liverpool

kaleidoscope that is Guiding. As with a jig-saw, success depends on the interlocking of the individual pieces; by working together, creating the climate for growth and development and with the Trainer working closely with section Guiders, we shall achieve our product — the happy, lively child.

There was so much more — the warm welcome from Mrs Clara Wood, Commissioner for Merseyside South, the County which did so much to make our stay in Liverpool comfortable — the displays, illustrating every aspect of

Guiding — the inspiring interludes for prayer and meditation arranged by Wales — the four 'cameos' on Saturday afternoon when Guiders told us how they managed to dovetail Guiding into their very full lives — 'Market Futures', the light-hearted projection, with a message, towards AD 3000 — the farewell from Mrs Sheila Ashmore, Commissioner for North West England, who expressed the delight of all in the Region that the Training Conference had come North. We congratulate Miss Marjorie Edwards and the Planning Committee

on a most successful conference, and thank all who had contributed to the happiness of the weekend.

Together we met: what did we achieve? An increasing awareness of the complexity and significance of the District Commissioner's job, a renewed conviction of the importance of the individual, a new approach to the partnership between Commissioners and Trainers, and time to think 'Why am I a Guider'.

Pauline Morris,
County Commissioner,
Manchester.



Bob Bird

Left, Miss Ann Burdus, Vice Chairman of McCann-Erickson Advertising, talking with Mrs Eileen Burbridge, Programme and Training Adviser for London and S.E. Region.



Joan Davies

Birgitta Lundblad of Sweden (right).

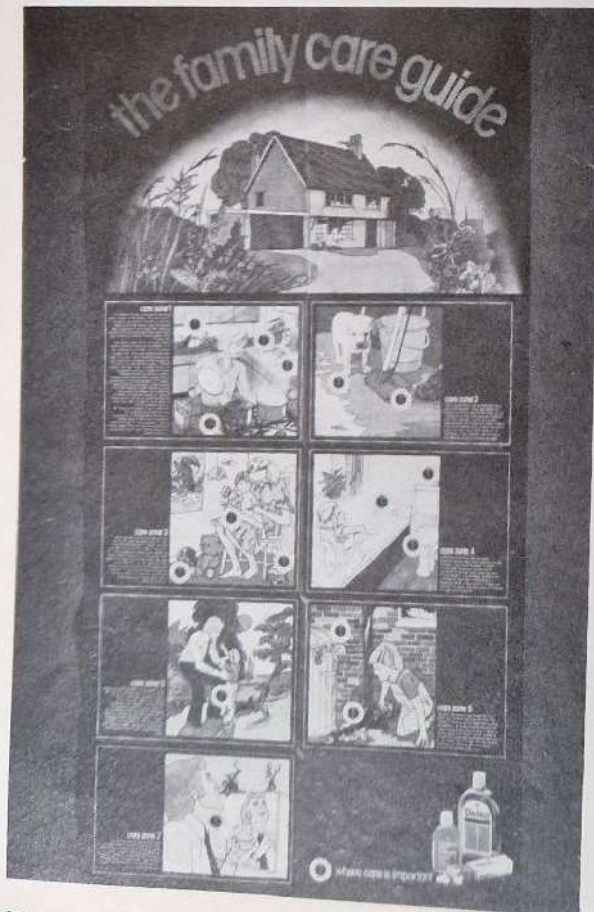
Part of Group H1 (left), engrossed in a discussion during the Conference.



Bob Bird



Above and below, two posters which might be of interest to our readers. The poster illustrated above, 'Monstrous Myths About Growing Old' is printed in four colours, measures 16 in x 30 in and is available from Help the Aged Education Department, 218 Upper Street, London N1. Price 50p including postage. Below; 'Detto! Cares' is an advertising poster to promote hygiene in the home, limited supplies of which are available, free of charge from: Detto! Information Bureau, 27A Medway Street, London SW1.



MAINLY FOR RANGERS

Holiday in Scotland for Handicapped Rangers and Guiders

MIDLAND Handicapped Rangers and Guiders decided to make Scotland the destination for their special Ranger Jubilee holiday. This would involve lots of hard work initially; raising funds to pay for the many necessities. The handicapped girls themselves did their share; holding coffee evenings, Bring and Buy sales, selling hundreds of pens.

A coach was booked, and a driver — Roy, whom we knew quite well, as he had taken us on several previous holidays. We had the coach all the time, and it was then easy to arrange our outings both near and far throughout the holiday.

We had been in contact with various people in Scotland for several months; the Adviser for the Handicapped, the CA, the Scottish Tourist Board and the Warden of Peesweep, the Scout Centre which had been recommended to us for our stay in Scotland. All of them were most helpful and forthcoming.

Eventually, 29 of us from five Midland counties met together at Trefoil House, Birmingham, for the start of our journey. We picked up two more at Sandbach on the M6, and at Peesweep three handicapped Rangers joined us from a local Home. During the week a blind Ranger visited us and she too was able to spend the weekend with us. Altogether, there were 15 handicapped — 10 of whom were in wheelchairs.

We had an enjoyable, uneventful journey, and coming off the motorway in Scotland, we were met by a Guider who very kindly led us safely through the lanes to our destination.

We arrived at Peesweep about 5.30 pm to a meal very kindly organised by Miss Eadie, the Paisley Adviser — and to the news that our holiday had nearly been cancelled the previous day as the Warden's house had burned down in the night! Luckily, it had been possible to save the adjoining hostel, and enough of the building's electrical system was rewired to tide us over and we were allowed to come.

Next, we had wondered about the cooking facilities — and were rather surprised to find that the stove was an old-fashioned solid fuel cooker. However, QM did very well with the aid of the two young Scouters who were assistant wardens.

We spent our first day settling in and exploring our camp surroundings, and were later invited to Renfrewshire County Camp site at South Newton to join a group of campers from Peterborough around their camp-fire. It was too wet to hold this outside, so we all crowded into a large barn (about 80 of us), and a most enjoyable camp-fire was held, with each group in turn choosing a song. We finished with Prayers and Hymns.

Our first full day out on Monday was also organised by Miss Eadie. We wished to visit Loch Lomond and she very kindly



Loading the coach for the Jubilee holiday.

arranged for a friend to let us use her lovely garden at Rowdenman as a picnic spot. We were made most welcome and had the use of her kitchen for preparing drinks.

After thanking our hostess, we continued our tour round Loch Lomond, admiring the magnificent scenery.

Another day we visited Paisley for shopping and were shown over the Abbey. We were invited to attend Morning Service the following Sunday and were given special seating at the front. Again we found people most sympathetic to our problems.

Enjoying a game in the garden near Loch Lomond.



A day's outing took us to Edinburgh. The coach was parked and we divided into groups to explore at will. Some visited Scottish Guide HQ where again we were made very welcome. Then, of course, there was the length of Princes Street to visit. Laden down with presents and souvenirs, we returned to the coach for a short tour of the city. We travelled the length of Princes Street, went down the Royal Mile, saw John Knox's house, passed by St Giles and then on to Holyrood to see the view. We were then taken to Edinburgh Castle where we were allowed to take the coach as far as possible, and from here, too, we had a good view of the city.

An 'easy' day saw us taking a short run down the road to Robertson Park, a local beauty spot where Highland cattle were grazing. In lovely sunny weather, our coach took us one day for a scenic coastal run and to Largs, where we enjoyed a pleasant afternoon by the sea. Also in that area, we explored Ayrshire and the Burns country, visiting the new Burns Centre and the grounds of Culzean Castle.

Our last outing was to Glasgow. We took a picnic lunch which we ate on the coach. Miss Eadie had given us instructions for getting into Glasgow city centre where the police were to tell us where to park. We followed the instructions and one of the Guiders left the coach to look for a policeman, then to the amazement of everyone, she returned followed by a mounted one! This VIP treatment caused much laughter in the coach as he held up all the traffic, our coach was allowed to park in the shopping precinct and all were able to leave the coach in safety. He told us that he and his horse would return when we were ready to leave.

And so the holiday drew to a close. Packing was done and the building left as clean and tidy as possible. Thank you letters had been written to all the people who had been so kind and helpful during our stay. It had been a packed few days, and we all felt we had made the best possible use of the time we had.

V R Greene
(Adviser for the Handicapped,
Birmingham)

'The times they are a changin''

Below, a rather shocked reply from a Division Commissioner to a letter written by a Guider in 1925, asking permission for a combined Ranger/Scout Social!

5-11-25-

Dear Gt. Halliday

Dear Scouts & Rangers are allowed to parade at the same church, & at the same church as the Scouts. Providing they do not parade the Scouts together. Each organisation must arrange its own parade & only meet inside the Church. With regard to a combined Social, I have never been asked to sanction such a thing before & am quite sure it would not be permissible. These suggestions are against the rules of the organisation unless under the direct supervision

Yours Commissioner

James Summery

Renfrew/Inverclyde/Eastwood Venture Scout & Ranger Guide News' April issue (now there's a snappy title!) — deals among other things, with the Twin Town Conference which opened in Sutton, Surrey on 18th March. The towns represented were Apeldoorn (Holland), Gladsaxe (Denmark), Paisley (Scotland), Sutton (England) and for the first time, Gagny (France). The conference lasted almost a week, and one outing which should have proved particularly enjoyable for the European visitors was a mediaeval banquet to which they were taken on the Wednesday. That day they also took advantage of a coach tour which took them to Portsmouth, Chichester, Arundel and Brighton.

It has been decided to hold a twin camp next year for all youth organisations from all the twin towns. The dates have provisionally been set for the first two weeks of August 1979. Anyone from any of the towns named who wishes to have further information about the camp should write to: Graham Struthers, 3, Huntly Terrace, Paisley, PA2 6TY.

Incidentally (and this ties up with the feature left), the News states that the house at Peesweep which was so badly damaged by fire last year is now occupied again by the Warden and his wife.

At the time of going to press, Peesweep could still use some volunteers willing to give a day, a weekend or even a few hours' help in working for the Training Centre, and on a new building to the rear of the main building. Contact the Warden (Brediland 2035).

Members of the 1st Burtonwood Ranger Unit, Cheshire, with their Guider and Assistant Guider are pictured below with their new Unit Colours. In the bottom left corner of the flag is a symbol to represent the wire industry, a leading industry in the Warrington area. The bottom right hand symbol is to represent the Church of St Michael and All Angels, to which the Burtonwood Ranger Unit is attached. The flag was designed by the Unit, and made in the main by one of the Guiders, with help from the Rangers themselves.



South Lancs Newspapers



DOUBLE ACROSS BY FRIENDS

- A A ram was trapped in one. (7)
 B He is skilled in the Greek language. (9)
 C To delight. (7)
 D If the girl (Anag.) (9)
 E Going out of use. (11)
 F A cork-like variety of asbestos. (8)
 G Brilliant. (8)
 H Last night. (11)
 I He was mesmerised by a yellow car. (4)
 J You will find yourself spellbound in the seventh rillando. (7)
 K Do you wash house shoes in this? (7, 4)
 L Discharged. (9)
 M Neither above nor below. (6, 5)
 N To speak to somebody at home. (7)
 O Throw overboard. (8)
 P Furrowed. (7)
 Q Judicial discharge. (9)
 R Watch tower. (7, 4)
 S Cut fine. (8)
 T Take money from the bank and go. (8)
 U Halt O chimp. (Anag.) (10)
 V Small land measure in the church. (4)
 W At least leave this behind you. (6)
 X Should hoe for this. (9)
 Y Sir Francis Chichester. (9)

A small prize will be awarded for the first correct entry opened each month. Send entries to: The Editor, GUIDER, The Girl Guides Association, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, SW1.

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Solve the clues and write the answers in the numbered grid, top right. Transfer the clues to the corresponding numbered squares in the grid, right. When this is complete, you will have a quotation taken from a book, the title and author of which will be found in the initial letters of the answers to the clues.

Letters.....

Say it again Pam

IT WAS Pam who began it. We were standing talking after the morning service, Pam, the Brownie Guider and I. 'Brown Owl' remarked that it was such a pity that there were no Guides for the Brownies to go on to, and Pam murmured to me, 'You take them and I'll help.'

Some time later, after an exhausting Guide meeting (Oh yes, I was now Guide Guider and Pam was my Assistant), Pam murmured that it was such a pity that there was no camp for our Guides to go to. Then her face brightened as she cried 'You take them and I'll help!' Several Training camps and many months later, I vowed that never again would I be persuaded.

Soon after that, I became District Commissioner. I vaguely remember Pam murmuring that if I accepted the job she would help. She did too and made a magnificent secretary, teaching me a lot about efficiency. But then Pam moved away and regretfully I heaved a sigh: now once again I could slip back into my uncomplicated routine.

I had reckoned without Guiding. I had the opportunity of attending a Training at Mozet in Belgium, and there I learnt a lot about taking groups abroad. The renewed enthusiasm I gained here flickered for a while until Kath, my new Assistant murmured one night, when we were drinking coffee after our District Meeting 'Wouldn't it be marvellous if we could all go to Our Chalet?' True to form — how could I have expected anything else? — in July of Silver Jubilee Year, our party set out for

Adelboden.

We were a mixed group, — both sexes; various ages, — and many were known personally only to me, although we had met together prior to our departure in an attempt to accelerate the getting-to-know-you process. We stayed in a self-catering chalet at the foot of the Lohner mountain where accommodation was indescribably cramped!

We visited Our Chalet, and for the older members of the party the visit was the realisation of a dream. Thank God for photographs! The younger ones in our party enjoyed the visit, but for them there could not be the same thrill as for those who had dreamt of Adelboden for 20 years. The girls loved our family home, with the open stairs above the hayloft leading to their bedroom. We had evening prayers in the barn sometimes, sitting on our blankets on the hay.

Wherever we went in Adelboden we saw Guide Blue. We were able to get to know several groups of Guides and Guiders, and visited them in their chalets, sharing in camp fires.

Not only were we dominated by the mountain, but we realised something of the power of water. The noise of gushing rivers and cascading waterfalls constantly filled our ears. When we were slung aloft in ski-lifts or cable cars, as we strode over shale to see a waterfall, as we sat in a train and heard the thunderous rattle of hailstones on the roof, we were moved by the overwhelming *grandeur* of the place.

Our sharing did not end with the holiday. Already I have heard murmurs from others about plans to revisit Adelboden, and I know that

new friendships created in our time together are resulting in new teams of camping Guiders. Maybe now I can retire gracefully into the background as Arthur and I prepare to leave the Church for which he is Minister and seek a new Challenge.

Remembering our holiday I could wish for one more thing — that Pam could have come with us; I wonder if she realises what she started on that Sunday morning seven years ago.

Mrs E Mignot,
Asst. Guide Guider,
3rd Bridgwater Coy.,
Somerset.

Fund raising effort

The 5th Worsley Guide Coy has been raising money for some time to buy a Kidney machine. Our grand total achieved so far is the fantastic sum of £13,077.02. To have a machine installed in a kidney patient's own home, the cost is between £3,500 and £5,500, plus £1,000 for extras — and running costs are between £4,000 and £8,000 per year.

The little girl we are helping, Suzanne, is a Guide aged twelve. She is not well enough to use a kidney machine at home, but we thank God for all the friends inside and outside the Guide Movement as well as the people of our own neighbourhood who have helped raise so much money in so short a time.

It was quite a challenge to raise the £5,000 we thought we needed, and we have indeed won in spite of all the extras we didn't bargain for. The Brownie Guider, Mrs B Whitfield, and myself would like to say a big 'Thank you' to all who have helped.

Elsie M Lindley
Guider,
5th Worsley Guide Coy.

Acrostic praise

I feel I must write to let you know how much I admire Brenda Hughes, the compiler of the Acrostic puzzles in *GUIDER*. What a lot of work she must put into them, as much — or more — than is needed to solve them, I should think!

I feel as though I have

achieved something by completing No 3, but have had to spend more time on it than a busy Guider has! Or should have!

Margaret Batchelor
Brownie Guider,
Chesham, Bucks.

Although the acrostics are infinitely more difficult to compile than an ordinary crossword puzzle, they are simpler to complete. Readers please note! They are not as daunting as they look, and so far we have only received a very few entries each month. — Editor.

A family in Guiding

Caroline, my youngest daughter, made her Promise as a Brownie last July, and thus our family became Guiding 'record breakers' for the area in which we live. All six female members of the family are in the Movement, as the photograph below illustrates.



From left to right, my daughter Bernadette (14), Claire (12), myself, daughter Annette (15). At the front are my younger daughters, Donna and Caroline.

Since this photo was taken, Annette has gained the Queen's Guide badge and I have been appointed Assistant Division Commissioner.

Annette and Bernadette are Young Leaders and Rangers, Claire and Donna are Guides with 7th Glossop Unit, and Caroline is a Brownie Guide with the 4th Glossop Pack, of which I am Brownie Guider. We hope to stay a 'family in Guiding' for some time to come.

Incidentally, my husband is sometimes familiarly known as 'Mr Brown Owl'!

Mrs Catherine McMylor
Asst Division Commissioner
(Pennine) Derbys.

Our Chalet



'THE ability to make friends easily' was the definition Mrs Owen Walker, Chief Commissioner, gave delegates to the Press and Public Relations Training Conference at Baden-Powell House on March 17th 'and especially to make friends and establish trust with the people amongst whom you work'.

Putting this principle into practice, the Conference began with an invitation to tea at Commonwealth Headquarters in Buckingham Palace Road, where delegates were warmly welcomed by the Hon Mrs W Birkbeck, Public Relations Adviser, and Mrs L Whiteaker, General Secretary. After a tour of the building and meeting Heads of different Departments they transferred to Baden-Powell House, where the reception they received from Jean Heppenstall and Pat Aleandri and Bill Butler, the Warden, set the tone for one of the friendliest and most stimulating weekends many of us had experienced.

Mrs Owen Walker opened the Conference on Friday evening by introducing seven of her closest Advisers. Many delegates appreciated this first opportunity to 'put a face to the name' behind the Chairman of Finance, Miss K McIntosh; Chairman of Programme and Training, Miss B Ryrie; Arts



Photos: E. Joyce Hay

Mrs Owen Walker, the Chief Commissioner, chats with Philip Norman of the Sunday Times (a lengthy report of the conference appeared in the Sunday Times on March 19th).

Adviser, Mrs Joan Richards; Community Relations Adviser, Mrs J Potter; International Commissioner, The Lady Baden-Powell; Commissioner for Branch Associations, Mrs R Vaughan Cox; and the President of the Trefoil Guild, Mrs S Manasseh.

Continuing with the same theme, Mrs Birkbeck, outlining the role of the PR Adviser, again stressed the way in which good public relations depend on good personal relationships. 'Every single one of us,' she said, 'from the smallest Brownie to the oldest member of the Trefoil Guild is part of our public relations because whether she likes it or not she cannot help but be an ambassadress for the whole organisation, both in and out of uniform, once she is known to be part of it.'

Derek Moon, Head of Group Public Relations, Barclays Bank Ltd, the first outside speaker, was analytical in his approach, suggesting we should examine the reasons we see for needing to con-

'The Ability To

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sider our public relations so that we can sort out the priorities.



Above, Derek Moon, Head of Group Public Relations, Barclays Bank Ltd, speaking on the Saturday morning.

Grace Cook, former publicity manager of IPC's *Woman* magazine, shares a joke with Pam Gillard of BBC Radio Humberside (left).

Miss Grace Cook, former publicity manager of IPC Women's Magazines who, in addition to holding Workshops in Television familiarisation, summed up her overall impressions of the Conference during the closing session, was similarly objective, even provocative, in questioning the methods and motives we share.

Saturday's programme was designed especially to give delegates the opportunity to learn and experience particular communication techniques from working professionals in 12 practical workshop sessions. During the afternoon a special Trade Fair, held in the ground floor Conference Hall, drew much attention. We in the Department receive many requests for help in choosing display boards and material and were glad when two of our main suppliers, Marler Haley Ltd and Browns of Holborn, together with Dymo Ltd and Gestetner Duplicators agreed to stage demonstrations for the benefit of visitors who, incidentally, included not only our own delegates but also many visiting Guides and Scouts and at one stage Sir William Gladstone, the Chief Scout. Representatives of The Girl Guides Trading Service, Periodicals, Publishing, Public Relations, Fund Raising, Personnel and Legal Departments were all busy handling enquiries as were the World Bureau's Communications Department and the National Council of Social Services Publications Officer.

Brian Lawrence with delegates during his Saturday afternoon session on 'Group Techniques'.



Make Friends Easily'

E. Joyce Hay

Sunday's programme was concerned very much with press relations as first Doreen Forsyth of BBC Woman's Hour and Griselda Cann of BBC Local Radio Services advised delegates about 'Getting it on the Air' and John Buchanan, Production Editor of the *Sunday Express*, and Bill Huggins, Picture Editor of *Keystone Press*, about 'Getting it into Print'. Their talks were lively, stimulating and packed with good advice, though interestingly enough one recurring theme was common to them all: 'Study your markets; know your material; do your homework and tailor your material to meet each particular editor's needs'. As a radio producer, for instance, Doreen Forsyth observed that nothing annoys her more than to receive a circular letter from a PRO enclosing *photographs* for publication!

'Better media liaison' was the announced theme of the Conference and as if to drive home this point, many of the delegates had their first experience of meeting the press when they were joined for the first 24 hours by Philip Norman of the *Sunday Times*. His impressions published next day stimulated much thought and debate.

For the 124 people who took part in the Conference, the opportunity to share problems, develop contacts and find common points of interest with members of several kindred organisations added an extra dimension to



Inset, right: A warm welcome for delegates on arrival at Baden-Powell House

Above, one of the discussion groups at the PR Conference.

discussion. Perhaps it was this mixture of ideas, experience and skills which led to such clear and definite recommendations from the Conference, the essence of which were that good public relations is essential if this wonderful Movement is to grow even greater in stature and influence. The flow of information must be constant and up to date and the Association is fortunate to have in its Press and Public Relations Advisers a body of people willing and able to provide this.

If PRA's are to be truly effective, however, Guiders, Trainers and above all Commissioners must acknowledge the worth of the job they are doing, seek their advice and co-operation and provide them in plenty of time with the information and resources they need. Good Public Relations is never an end in itself but it can be of inestimable help to everyone in the Movement; for from the image the public holds of this organisation will stem the public's future attitude to offering assistance as leaders, supporting fund-raising events, and to allowing its children to join.

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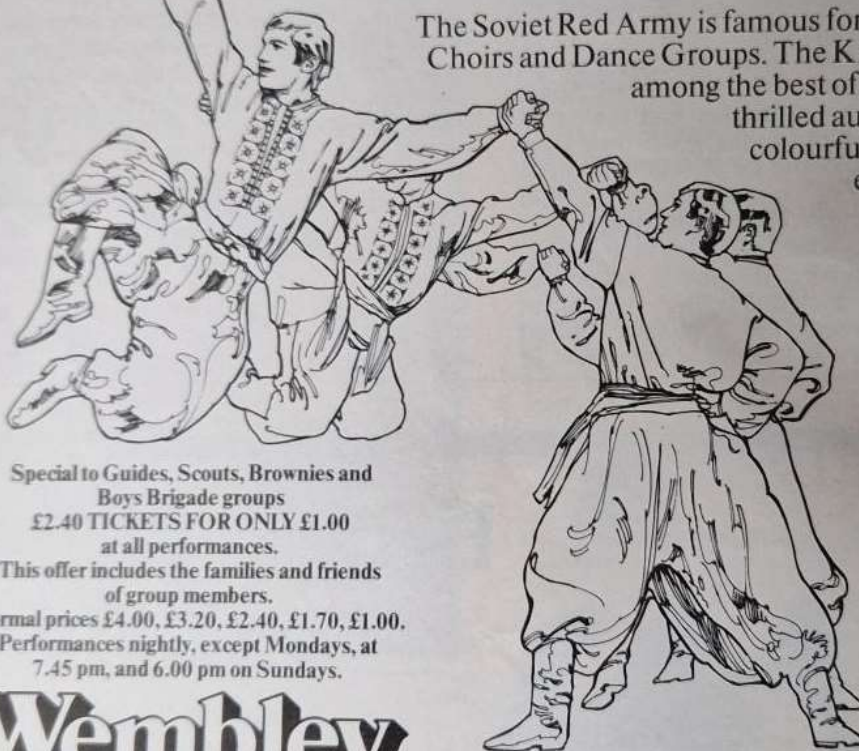
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'Operation Caribbean' is the name we have given to our current project. We want so much to help our Branches in the West Indies with repairs or renovations to their Headquarters, or, in the case of Dominica, to help them build their very first Headquarters.

The project has got off to a good start and I hope that you are also planning to add your mite to our final total. I am sure you will already have realised that the project is an ideal one for Patrol efforts and, of course, it could be very helpful to Guides who are working for the Commonwealth Badge and for the Guide Friendship Badge.

A special information sheet has been prepared, giving some background to each of the islands we want to help. If you would like a copy please send your request,

enclosing a 7p stamp or a stamped addressed envelope to: *Girl Guide Friendship Fund, The Girl Guides Association, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1W 0PT.*

All donations should be sent to the above address, and cheques should be made out to The Girl Guide Friendship Fund.

Next month I hope to be able to tell you how we plan to help some members of the World Association through the Mutual Aid Scheme, and give you late news of the actual presentations of our cheques to Home Farm Trust, the Invalid Children's Aid Association and the Arthritis & Rheumatism Council which took place on 18th April.

In addition to the special information sheet referred to, there are two information sheets about the Girl Guide Friendship Fund and listing all the countries and organisations helped since the Fund was launched in 1964. Copies will be sent on request. **RC**

STOP PRESS

Thanksgiving Service for Dame Anstice Gibbs, DCVO, CBE. The address by the Revd William Gibbs at this Service on April 12th will be published in full in our July issue.

What is NCW?

TODAY almost every organisation, voluntary, statutory, or commercial, is known by its initials, but the **National Council of Women of Great Britain** has been affectionately called NCW ever since its foundation in 1895. The Girl Guides Association has been a valued affiliated society of NCW for a number of years, and there are many parallels in the thinking, beliefs and work of the two organisations. Both are concerned with quality — the quality of life, of family living, and of personal responsibility — and members of the Guide Movement subscribe to the same ideals and aims as do the individual members of the National Council of Women.

NCW is 15 years senior to the Guide movement and was founded by a group of women with strong social consciences, who were appalled by the conditions in which many women worked and lived. Believing that well-informed pressure is the most effective way to bring about reform, these pioneers formed a voluntary, democratic organisation, open to any woman whatever her colour, creed or political leanings. The original aims were to improve the lot of women in work and home, but these ideals were soon widened to take in the whole family, its health, education, housing and employment.

Pressure for reform is brought to bear upon Parliament, Local Authorities and other statutory bodies, through well informed reports and petitions, collating evidence collected by the 140 branches and 16 Regions throughout the country, and the value of the Council's research and integrity is given recognition by Government, who regularly request NCW to collect evidence and opinion prior to drafting new legislation. The scope of the work is shown by a list of the Special Committees which meet at Headquarters in Lower Sloane Street, 12 in all: *Animal Welfare, Arts, Consumer Affairs, Education, Health, Housing, International, Mass Media, Public Service and magistrates, Scientific Development, Social Welfare, Status and Employment of Women.*

Affiliated to NCW are 90 other organisations, who send representatives to the appropriate Special Committee meetings, where their expertise is greatly valued. At the Annual Conference resolutions which form policy are debated and voted upon; affiliated societies have the right to submit for selection resolutions on their own particular interests.

In the past NCW has campaigned successfully for Family Allowances, Maternity and Child Welfare Services, Help for One-parent Families,

Allowances for the Disabled, Invalidity Pensions and Invalid Care Allowances. Long and steady pressure recently resulted in the Equal Pay and Equal Opportunities Acts. The Council was largely responsible for the formation of the Women Police and the use of Women Police Surgeons, whilst Consumer Protection and Advice was first introduced by NCW, later taken over by the Government.

Work continues against all forms of discrimination, for a fair pension scheme, improved Public Transport, control of pollution, nursery education, and most important, for the appointment of more women on public bodies and committees — at the point where decisions are made. It is hoped that more women will be encouraged to enter local and national politics.

Last but not least the Girl Guides Association will be especially interested in the International Council of Women. Seventy-two countries are members of ICW, the latest to join being little Fiji. This body has Consultative Status (Category 1) with the United Nations and our long diplomatic history makes the British contribution to this work unique.

Freda Nichols,
Public Relations Officer.



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THOSE WERE THE DAYS

In The Founder's Footsteps

THE unexpected generally happened. There was never a dull moment and those of us fortunate enough to have experienced it realised that this was Guiding as B-P had intended, interpreted by The Carpenter.'

Miss Margaret Martin, Commissioner for Training at IHQ from 1945-1951, has just recalled for *GUIDER* some amusing stories about being tested for her Blue Cord Diploma in 1924 by Miss Agnes Maynard. The scene is set in a shooting lodge in Scotland and 'The Carpenter' was the main tester. 'Rumour had it that few were passed by her, and certainly not the first time,' writes Miss Martin. 'In those days training subjects included a specimen Company evening, a speech, "nature" etc, and as the week went on I became more and more sure that I would not be one of the few. However, there was always the drill session, and having been well drilled during the first world war, I felt slightly confident. I fell in the troops, formed fours and proceeded to march them around. It seemed to be going well when the dear tester suddenly strode across our path: "I'm a horse and cart".'

'Without warning, I had to adapt, only to be directed next to "get them into church over there" and,

on exit, "march past the Chief Commissioner".'

'Later, in the middle of a carefully planned Company meeting, a distraught woman rushed in saying her sister was drowning in the pond. (One learned that Miss Maynard was no orthodox tester, nor, indeed, Trainer.)

'At Waddow in the drawing room during a session on the digestive system I remember The Carpenter sending the trainees away to fetch quantities of black stockings. Laid on the floor the stockings became the small intestine — so one never forgot the length and intricacy of that part of the anatomy.

'On that same floor the constellations were duly set out in their shapes and proportions. "What now?" we wondered when Miss Maynard asked for a salt cellar. The contents were liberally scattered on the floor. "And this is the Milky Way," she said.'

'All Dressed Up and Nowhere to Go!'

With the camping season just getting into its full stride in a month or so, perhaps several points Miss Maynard made about camping in a contribution for *The Guider* 30 years ago may still be worth repeating.

'When a period of slackness occurs in the Company, with the dropping off in numbers, late arrivals and untidy uniforms, what is wrong? The first answer that comes to mind is that the Guides are tired. Anyone is tired if she is not interested; no one is tired if she is interested.

'Home-making appeals to every

girl — and that is a very different thing from helping at home! So where and how can Guides prove their power to make a home? In camp — if you will let them, and if you have prepared them. If you realise that this is the most important part of camp, you will let small Patrols cook, eat and play in privacy, furnishing and decorating their own little homes, each small group of friends in its own way, and welcoming and feeding the staff as guests.

'If your Guides have been prepared sufficiently to do this you will be following in the footsteps of B-P far more than by running a Company Camp as one Unit, planned and ordered by yourself.

'Let us use the natural and overpowering urge in the girl to make and have a home of her own, training her beforehand in ways and means and later standing by to help and encourage.

'To take a girl through her tests and then not take her to Camp is, for her, like being dressed for a party with nowhere to go.'

Tailpiece

The first camp under canvas for Guides was run in 1910 by Mrs Blyth, Commandant of the School



Mrs Blyth (left), who ran the first Guide camp under canvas in 1910, and Mrs Dowson, Lieutenant of the Walton Guide Company, Surrey, enjoying a picnic in Gomshall woods during a Girl Guide Officers' Training School 'pilgrimage' in April, 1917.

for Training Guide Officers at 8 Kinnerton Street, London, SW1. It was held in her garden in Hampstead and as Mrs Blyth's training methods were to leave as much as possible to the Guides' initiative they were each given 4d with which to provide their breakfast and supper. Money went further in 1910!

At the first training camp for Guiders in 1915, held at Boxmoor, Hertfordshire (Mrs Blyth now lived here), the programme included night marching and shooting (rifle and air-gun).

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Miss Margaret Martin, Commissioner for Training, I.H.Q. (left), Miss Gwen Hesketh, a delegate from Australia, and the World Chief Guide at the 13th World Conference in Oxford in 1950.



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What is Progress?

MAKING progress means 'to keep going', 'carrying on', moving forwards — growing whether it applies personally to ourselves as Commissioner, Guiders, our friends, or the Brownies, Guiders, Rangers in our districts.

Take a chance on me is the title of a popular song and I reckon we can take a chance and assume most of our Units are making progress in one way or another. The Challenge to the Commissioner is 'Are our units making progress in Guiding?' 'Are we cheating our young people out of real Guiding because we are satisfied with contented Units which are merely amusing but not holding the girls?'

The Commissioner's Handbook, chapter 2, offers immediate help with understanding the essentials of the Programme and is worth re-reading (N.B. Red spots).

Take a quiet armchair, look at each Unit in the District. Of course there are some obvious signs of progress and these are evident when Queen's Guide Badges, Duke of Edinburgh's Awards and other badges and certificates are presented or when money-raising or special occasions portray the expertise of our young people. We cannot, however, assess progress only on these outward signs. Progress will most certainly be taking place in surprisingly different ways if:

1. Brownies, Guides, Rangers and



Young Leaders enjoy their meetings and are having fun.

2. If all are participating fully.

3. Leaders and girls are on good terms.
4. If there is a sense of order and purpose in the Unit.

5. If the girls are planning and carrying out their own programme, in small groups of friends, Patrols, Sixes, through Pow-Wow, Patrol Leaders' Council and Committees, by being encouraged to think, speak, and act for themselves, and if they, and not the Guiders, are running the Unit.

6. If the girls stay long enough in the Unit and are moving on.

7. If they are doing new things, really learning, practising skills, experiencing adventure, being prepared, trying our suggestions from and using the Handbooks, being challenged.

8. If the out-of-doors features well in the programme. Expeditions, Camps and Holidays offer tremendous opportunities for progress in all eight points.

9. If you yourself experience the friendliness, courtesy and helpfulness at any gathering such as Pack, Unit, Patrol or Guiders meetings, Camps, Hikes or social occasions because the spirit and practice of the Promise and Law is present and alive and growing in every Brownie, Guide, Ranger, Young Leader, Guider in the district.

10. If the District Team, including Guiders, is sharing ideas and problems and co-operating to further real Guiding in the Units.

Joan Tainsh

Progress For The Brownie Guide

JANE moves on to Guides next week. I shall miss her. Can it really be three years since she came, shy and new and had to be persuaded to take off her coat and join in a game? Now full of confidence she's ready to go. This is progress.

Sometimes progress creeps in almost unnoticed, until you realize that Mandy, the Pack pest, is actually working away happily with her Six; and clever Janet, first to finish as usual, is helping two new ones who are finding their handwork a struggle. Even Dawn is waiting her turn for the scissors without fussing.

Progress doesn't always come easily. Ruth loved her bubble-gum and chewed through each Brownie meeting no matter what we said. Then one night she produced from a rather doubtful paper-bag four liquorice boot-laces, and gave them to me to cut up as she explained there was enough for everyone. A little sermon about how nice it was to have Brownies who shared accompanied our sticky treat that night. Progress? Yes I think so. The sharing was too expensive



to last long, but from then on the bubble-gum seemed to stay hidden until after Brownie Bells.

Progress needs encouragement if it is to grow, and then sometimes it takes you by surprise.

Rhian, a silent Brownie, was having trouble with entertaining for Highway Badge. No singing or reciting for her, and she was certainly no writer either. Pack Leader solved the problem. Having

fun at Guides with a Shadow-graph she wanted to try it with the Brownies. We left it to her to produce the Brownie story so that the new ones could enjoy it in a new way. From behind the sheet when the giggles had died away came a voice we didn't know. Rhian had triumphed, and she went on to reading prayers that night for the very first time. The next week she led her Six into producing a Nursery Rhyme shadow-graph.

Progress must start from where the Brownies are now. For some it might mean remembering to wash hands before coming to Pack meetings, yet for others it will be making an extra effort with their Challenges because they are good already.

Progress towards what? Greater independence and a move towards the Guide Company. As Brownie Guiders let us ensure that their progress is real, worthwhile and fun.

Agnes Rand

DISTRICT and BROWNIE training

Progress for

BROWNIE Helen's 4th Brownie meeting



A month later...



GUIDE Before 1st camp



First morning at camp



End of 1st week at camp



RANGER



A week or two later...



FOOTNOTE One of the responsibilities of a Guider is to recognise progress of progress shown in these three examples might be a lot for Helen because the amount of progress is relative to the ability of the individual to assess her progress

for Everyone

6 months later...



For Helen this was tremendous progress in 'Brownies are Friendly' or 'Brownies do their Best' or...?

This natural development should be considered as real progress under a Journey heading

Next year



Next camp



This could be considered as part of Suzanne's progress in either 'Enjoyment of the Out-of-doors' or 'Thinking for Yourself' or...?

We must keep on looking for progress until the next Eight Point badge is due

A month or so later



This age group is often very good at carrying out large service projects but sometimes fails to see the small needs, particularly in the home unit

The recognition that this is also a service to the community should also be considered as progress

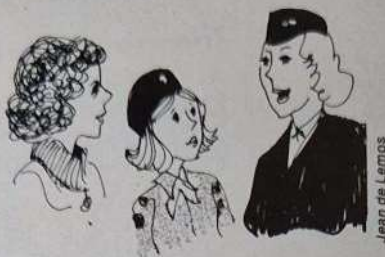
progress when it occurs, no matter how small it may appear. The amount of progress made by Suzanne and Shirley, but not so much for other girls of the same age, is small. This means we need to know each youngster well in order

Illustrated by Jean De Lemos

Progress for the Guide

WHAT of this life — we have no time to stand and stare! If we are so busy we do not see the little things in the Guide meeting. Has your PLC reached a stage where they will not accept that attendance at Guides only will be enough to gain an Eight Point Badge? Have the Leaders themselves progressed so that they are not demanding too much and the Eight Point Badge becomes an impossibility?

New girls coming into the Unit are all different, how aware of them are we? Can we see them change as the months go by? I watched Sue last week. A few weeks ago her mother had brought her to Guides, she seemed quite shy. She knew one of the recruits in the Bluetit Patrol and went to join in their activities. Each week Sue had come to the meetings and taken part in the Patrol's activities. Last week she bounded in 'We're cooking out tonight — I've brought the wood, I watched Dad chop it.' She seemed to



have enough to roast an ox. 'I'm going to strike the match.' Her Leader looked at me and when Sue had gone off with the Patrol dragging her wood Jacky said 'I've brought half a firelighter, Guider.' Yes I remembered Jacky a few years back, lighting a fire in camp and it wouldn't go. When I reached the fireplace she was nearly in tears. I sent her off to the store

tent for half a firelighter, and I remembered her eyes and chatter as the fire lit and the meal was on the way.

I wondered if Sue had progressed in the few weeks she had been with us. She'd started to think for herself, and had livened up. By the end of the evening she would know how much wood they needed to cook a meal.

Jacky had progressed too. She hadn't particularly wanted to camp a second year but had come with us and now was encouraging her whole Patrol, and was thinking ahead realising that the Patrol would need to eat in camp and needed to practise before they went.

My five minutes to 'stop and stare' ended as another Patrol brought me something of their handcrafts and another wanted the flag to practise Colours, but I was thankful I had stopped.

Hilary Ferris

Progress in the Ranger Section

INDIVIDUAL progress: Rangers are facing the age of questions and tensions — decisions about their future; pressures from exams; change from school to job; relationships with parents, boyfriends and different age groups in new jobs all tend to confuse the girl so that she may be too wrapped up in her own problems to see the needs of others. Through television and the press there is a vivid awareness of big problems — pollution and large scale disasters. Working on conservation projects, raising money for an eye hospital or helping handicapped people are excellent group projects but in all the activity is there still time for the Guider to watch the progress of each individual? The vital factor is 'awareness' — is the Guider aware of the hopes and needs of each girl and are the older girls, VI formers or at work, involved in projects planned last year, aware of the new 14-15-year-old Rangers feeling that they are not accepted as part of the Unit? Projects should involve a cross section so that they really get to know one another — one cannot help without realising the need.

Progress at Unit level: this depends on evaluation: looking back at an event and questioning — was it well prepared? What did it achieve? What can we learn from it? What next? New Rangers used to Guide camp may find lightweight camping a challenge and later, a means to new challenges — making friends abroad or the challenge of the weather — a Ranger/Venture camp in January's



snow was a great success! A Unit so enjoyed last year's challenge to 'Write a play' for a county Ranger Edwardian Music Hall that they are considering asking a local drama group to a meeting, or holding a weekend arts camp, and turning a barn into a temporary theatre. There must be many examples of experimental sessions at Ranger weekends and camps leading to lasting and satisfying hobbies or even careers.

Rangers and Ventures are encouraged to organise joint activities, plan programmes and, through experience, learn that it is no good planning an exciting list of weekend camps, overnight hikes,

barbecues and trips without attention to detail — is there a qualified Guider and Scouter prepared to accompany the group? Have parental permission slips been printed and distributed? Unit leaders informed? Have deposits been collected so that if the numbers fall the cost does not become too great for the remainder? Rangers and Ventures do not seem to like being presented with a list of rules — real progress is made when they realise they are necessary and make their own rules — it is all a question of **Evaluating, Learning and Looking Forward.**

Sheila Edwards

GUIDE and RANGER training

Pack Leader

LEADER, Helper, Link, Friend — which of these describes your Pack Leader? Probably all four and more besides. The role of Pack Leader is unique and if we are to help her we must remember that:

1. Although a Member of the Pack, Pack Leader is a Guide. She is not a Brownie, nor is she a Young Leader or Assistant Guider.
2. Her main job is to be a link between the Company and the Pack. She is a friend to the Brownies. They see her each week and find out from her some of the things Guides do. She keeps the Company in touch with what the Brownies are doing and when the right time comes, she is waiting to welcome them to the Company.

So that she can do this very important job properly we have a responsibility to see that:

1. We choose, in conjunction with the Patrol Leaders' Council, a girl who is an enthusiastic Guide, who has at least one Eight Point badge, who is not too heavily committed in other directions.

2. We give her opportunities within the Pack Meeting to carry out this job by:

organising suitable activities,
encouraging her to talk and

show pictures of Patrol and Company activities during Pow-Wow, allowing her to help the Brownies about to go to Guides with appropriate challenges.

3. We don't come to rely on her to do things which the Brownies should be doing themselves or things that an Assistant Guider or Young Leader should be doing, even if we have no Assistant Guider or Young Leader.
4. We don't expect her to remain as a Pack Leader too long. It could be that if more Guides were encouraged to become Pack Leaders, possibly for a shorter time, the bonds between the Pack and Company could be greatly strengthened.

In some situations it is all too easy to allow a Brownie to drift into becoming a Pack Leader and a Pack Leader drift into becoming a Young Leader with no gap between. In these cases it is difficult for the girl herself, the Brownies and the Guider to see her in her new role. A gap of at least a year between each stage means that the girl can bring fresh enthusiasm and new ideas to the Pack, that the Brownies accept her for what she is (ie Pack Leader or Young Leader), and that we, the Guiders, can give her

LEADER? HELPER? LINK? FRIEND?



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the appropriate help and opportunities at her present stage.

For these reasons the Executive Committee has recommended that in addition to the present requirements 'a girl should not continue as a Pack Leader after her 14th birthday'.

Susan Guy

Films of Interest

Able to Fish

Able to Fish consists of three films, *Coarse Angling* (34 minutes), *Game Fishing* (32 minutes) and *Sea Angling* (23 minutes), and is designed to help disabled people and able-bodied anglers alike to fully enjoy the sport of fishing.

Each of the three films covers a different discipline of the sport, and poses the problems as they arise. Some of the solutions found are ingenious, for example a one-armed sportsman is shown getting well beyond the waterside weeds by fishing from a specially-built platform (*Game Fishing*).

Each film can be hired for non-paying audiences in the UK by making a written application and enclosing a cheque for the Booking Fee of £5.40 (inclusive of VAT) to: Town and Country Productions Ltd, 21 Cheyne Row, Chelsea, London SW3 5HP. The films must be shown on a 16 mm sound projector by a qualified projectionist.

In Adelboden

We'd reached the top and looking back
Along the path we'd climbed
The mist hung thickly, screened the view
Of all we'd left behind.

Somewhere ahead the cowbells rang,
Muffled by cold damp air,
And soon we saw those patient beasts
So gently browsing there.

A world apart, so full of peace
With time to meditate
On life in general . . . and our place . . .
Each one . . . our spiritual state.

Drawn near to God in solitude
The mists of life were clear;
When looking back along the path
We had no need to fear.

The bad times, as the good, were all
Held safely in His hands
The strength was given, as the need
To face all life's demands.

Then looking upwards to the sky,
The great majestic peaks
Still more to do . . . for one who dares . . .
For one who looks and seeks.

"So we climb on, dear Lord, in Faith . . .
That all we say and do
May, with deep love for all we meet,
Be offered up to YOU".

*This relates to the same trip to Adelboden as described in the first letter of our 'Letters' page, 257.

Mrs D Swayne
Guide Guider,
5th Bridgwater Coy,
Somerset.



'I must Down to the Seas Again'

A Cautionary Tale of a Pack Holiday

DURING Pow Wow at the first Pack Meeting after last year's Pack Holiday, I asked my assembled Brownies the inevitable question, 'Which was the best bit?' Back came the chorused rejoinder 'The barbecue, Brown Owl!' I might have guessed! That had been the nearest I had ever come to disaster — everything went wrong!

Our Pack Holidays have always been during the Spring Bank Holiday, and this year's accommodation had been booked long before the Jubilee spirit began to emerge. Consequently, we hadn't given the Jubilee much thought. By the middle of February, when I was thinking of arranging the preliminary Parents' Meeting, I began to get a few anxious 'phone calls from Mums. Were we having a Pack Holiday at the usual time this year? If so, could Mary come home for the local Jubilee street party? Jane wouldn't be coming if she had to be away on Jubilee Tuesday! I had visions of either a rather dismal and depleted Pack Holiday — or none at all.

Then came a brain wave. We could have a Jubilee party at the Pack Holiday, and invite parents and brothers and sisters to come and join us on Bank Holiday Monday. I'd never dared to have a Visitors' Day before, having been put off by dismal stories of rampaging epidemics of home sickness — resulting in half the Pack going home with 'visiting' mums and dads. Steely-nerved, I tried to put these tales from my mind. We must plan something really exciting on Monday evening which no Brownie could afford to miss — a real starred highlight for every Brownie's diary.

It occurred to us that Monday was the night of the Jubilee Beacons, and providentially our Pack Holiday Home was near the shore on the South Wales Coast directly opposite one of the Somerset Beacons. The Brownies would love to wait up to see it, and it was a very special occasion. The Visitors' Day would be over by 6 o'clock. We could clear up, have a rest, then go down to the beach, light a fire amongst the rocks, cook sausages and wait until dark, keeping our eyes peeled for the glow from the Jubilee Beacon opposite. Ken, the husband of another Guider, Kathleen, would get the firewood and provide a metal sheet to cook on. Our Young Leaders were expert fire lighters.

by
**Judy
Stuart**

Such a beach picnic would be no great problem. The real headache would be the visitors dropping in for the afternoon's Jubilee party; there would be 80 or more visitors during the three hours it would last.

Despite the bad weather which forced us indoors, the party went off quite well. The clearing up was done with great enthusiasm — all those paper cups and plates and burst balloons — and then we all retired to our beds for an hour's rest.

By eight o'clock we were all wrapped up and ready to go out. The rain had stopped, but the wind was very strong and the sky was dark and threatening. Ken had the firewood and the metal sheet in his car boot, so he went ahead by road with the Young Leaders to pick a site and lay the fire. He and Kathleen agreed where they'd meet, and he drove off. Eileen, Kathleen's daughter, went to the larder for the sausages and the rolls and discovered that the sausages were a violent shade of green! After some quick thinking we decided that fish fingers would be a novelty in a bun, and we'd worry about tomorrow's lunch later.

At last we were all ready to go. A quick count alerted us to two absentees. Where were Sally and Emma? A loud bang and a scream revealed their whereabouts. They were having an argument with the toilet door. Emma came running with two fingers badly jammed, and Sally followed, even more upset than her sister. 'Don't panic,' I said to Kathleen, making thus my second mistake of the evening, 'I'll cope — you go ahead and we'll catch you up.'

Ten minutes later, I had calmed them down and cheered them up, so off we set, down the lane, across the road, past the swings and down the steep, grassy path to the beach. When we got to the bottom, I realised what my first mistake of the evening had been! I hadn't really been listening when Ken and Kathleen agreed where to meet. I thought they'd said to the left, yes, I was sure it was left. Yet there was no sign of anyone as far as the eye could see. The whole Pack could be sitting behind a large rock, and we could have walked straight past without hearing a sound above the howling wind and the roaring sea. By the time we'd gone some way along the path, I wasn't so sure about the place we had agreed to meet, so we did an about turn and retraced our steps. As we crossed the bottom of the steep path from the road, we met the Young Leaders who had come to look for us. They told us that Kathleen's husband, Ken, was just a bit farther along, but Mrs B and the rest of the Pack weren't. Oh dear!

A solitary figure stood by a painstakingly laid fire, looking rather dejected. As Eileen had no



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matches, we couldn't even signal to the others by lighting it. I sat down by a rock with Sally and Emma, and we tried to ignore the wind and the crashing tide. Ken and the Young Leaders went off in different directions to search, only to return some minutes later with no news. Perhaps for some reason the other group had to return to the house. Maybe someone had been taken

ill? I gave Ken the keys, and he drove up there to see, and if necessary, to let them in.

Meanwhile — back with the Pack. When they passed the swings for the third time they stopped for a rest and to discuss their next move. Eileen could be heard muttering darkly 'The old man never could tell his left from his right'. Kathleen, being new to this lark, had im-

pressed on her mind the fact that it was an important part of Brownie Guiding to encourage Brownies to make decisions for themselves. So they had a vote — to keep looking or to go home. All the Brownies wanted to keep looking — both Guiders wanted to go home. In a

true spirit of democracy, they went home! They had just managed to get in through a back window when Ken arrived with the keys, and persuaded them all to set off back to the beach.

The fire was lit at last, the wind blew the smoke in every direction (it had a special predilection for our eyes), the tide was high and the spray whipped around us. It was dark now, and cold. Never were fish fingers cooked so quickly, or so unprofessionally — we turned them with a teaspoon and a piece of firewood — no one thought to bring anything else.

Our picnic over, we set back for the house in a convoy. The little Brownies went in style in the car, and we and the bigger Brownies went on foot, leaving the Young Leaders to see to the fire.

The Brownies got into pyjamas while the soup heated, said quick prayers and got into bed under instructions for an immediate silence. We never saw a Jubilee Beacon, but we *did* have an adventure. That, according to the Brownies, was the best bit!



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Aug	10-17 Patrol Week (by invitation) 31-3 Out and About Sept (A weekend for Guiders using the environment around Foxlease for various activities which can be carried out with your Unit)	12-19 „Patrol Week (by invitation) 23-2 † Holiday Week (Guiders, Trefoil, Guild members, their friends and mothers) Sept	16-23 Adventure Week for Guides aged 12-14 years (Hillwalking and other activities, e.g. pony trekking)
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An application to attend a Guider Training Centre should be sent direct to the appropriate Guider-in-Charge, and must be accompanied by the correct amount of deposit and a sae. Applicants should also state the type of training for which they are attending, as there may be several different courses running at any one weekend. As many Guiders have to leave on Sunday, training sessions at a two-day weekend will stop at tea-time on that day unless otherwise stated. If sufficient notice is given that it is wanted, every effort will be made to provide sessions for a group until Monday. Individuals able to stay over until Monday to enjoy the surrounding country and other amenities of the Centre are welcome to do so.

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The Fee Bursary entitles the Guider to £3.00 for a two-day weekend and £1 for each additional day. This is deducted from the fees at the Training Centre.

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Camps And Holidays

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Foxlease Camp-sites

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Beaverbrook Lodge

Applications for the period 1st October, 1978 — 31st March, 1979 will be accepted now. Apply to the Secretary, Foxlease.

Waddow Cottage and Caravan

Both available for bookings throughout the year. Apply to the Secretary enclosing sae.

Waddow Pack Holiday House

Applications for Pack Holidays should be sent to the Secretary, accompanied by a written recommendation from the Guider's PHA or CA and enclosing a foolscap sae.

Waddow Camp-Sites

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Glenbrook

Six sites (two suitable for handicapped members) are available. For

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Netherurd Camp-Sites, Brownie House and Caravan

Applications for camp-sites and the Brownie House will be taken now. During Scottish school holidays priority will be given to Scottish Packs.

A 3-berth caravan is also available. Apply to the Secretary, enclosing sae.

Broneirion

Holiday flats available all year round for self-catering parties. Apply to the Guider-in-Charge.

Broneirion Camp-Site and Brownie House

Applications for Camp-site and Brownie House will be considered now and should be sent to: Miss P Lynch, 3C Pentwyn Court, Whitchurch, Cardiff, CF4 7BY enclosing sae.

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Lorne

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Lorne Camp-Sites

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the monthly Circle meetings and parties at CHQ. Those who are here longer are invited to become members.

The Circle would welcome enquiries from anyone at home or abroad (minimum age 16) who would be interested in the activities of the Circle. Write to: *The Hon Treasurer, Commonwealth Circle, c/o Commonwealth Headquarters, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, SW1.*

Commonwealth and International Circle meetings

Thursday, June 15th, 'The Far East'. Slides and talk by Miss Wilkins, MBE. There will be no meetings in July or August.

International Scout and Guide Club

Meetings take place every Monday, 7.45 pm at Baden-Powell House, Queen's Gate, London. ALL visitors are welcome. Programmes for June include: 5th, "Scouting"; 12th, Yugoslavia; 19th, Kensington Trail; 26th, Amnesty International.

Foxlease Conveniences

A collection was made amongst Guiders at a Foxlease 'Making the Most of the District' week-end, March 31st/April 2nd last towards a toilet block being erected on the car park, an amount of £8.22 being raised. Anyone wishing to contribute towards this fund should send donations to: *The Guider-in-Charge, Foxlease, Lyndhurst, Hants. SO4 7DG.*



We send our best wishes to members of the Movement departing this month for events overseas; a group of Guides and Rangers from Scotland under the leadership of Miss H Stokes, City of Edinburgh, attending the 18th Company Notre Dame Camp in Belgium; another group from Scotland of Guides and Rangers under the leadership of Miss D Drummond, City of Dundee, and Miss S Thorn, Dunbartonshire, attending the National Camp at Øysand Norway; and also Miss J Phippen, Avon South, who will be a Camp Counsellor for the National Center West, Wyoming, from mid-June

until August.

We are pleased to welcome back our delegates who attended the Creativity Seminar organised by the Europe Committee last month in Strasbourg.

Post Box

A great number of requests have been received over the last few months from girls wishing to have pen friends in overseas countries, and unfortunately the Post Box Secretary is having difficulty in arranging for everyone to be linked. Therefore, in order to give time for the overseas countries to reply and links be made for those who have already requested them, it has been decided that the Post Box will be closed for the months of June and July.

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World Children's Day

I am most grateful that the Guiding periodicals have given so much help and support over the years to our aim of promoting World Children's Day, and I was most interested to see from the leaflet, Looking Wider, the innumerable ways in which the Girl Guide Movement all over the world is helping forward the work of UNICEF.

Jean Erskine
UNICEF

*See 'World Children's Day 1978', page 195, May GUIDER; this was also featured in May TODAY'S GUIDE, and in THE BROWNIE in May.

Wearing Uniforms

If Nancy Kirwan (Airing and Sharing, page 118, March GUIDER) wants to obey the Guide Law, then she should be in uniform! I would very much like to get back into uniform, for the World Chief Guide once said a Guider could be eighteen — or eighty-one. Therefore a Guider of that age could still be in uniform, training the younger ones. It's not a valid argument to claim that the older Guiders don't know the up-to-date method of testing, because they do. Most of them always did test the Brownies and Guides on the basis of the progress they had made in the subject being tested, for we all know that children do not all develop at the same rate. The main difference now is that the Guider takes a less formal approach, and has a wider scope of subjects from which to choose.

As you will appreciate, I don't agree with Nancy Kirwan's point of view!

E M Baker,
Caterham, Surrey.

Pack Holidays

May I say how I agree with the points raised by Mrs Lane (April GUIDER) about the shortage of Pack Holiday accommodation. Of course as many Brownie Guiders as possible should be encouraged to take their

Licence, and, of course, it is more difficult and more expensive to provide a suitable building than it is to provide a field for Guides to camp in. The policy of many education authorities in shortening the children's summer holidays and lengthening the Christmas ones to save fuel only aggravates the problem.

However, Brownie Guiders have to face the fact that accommodation is becoming increasingly difficult to find and many of us will soon be forced to confine our Pack Holidays to a weekend in term time, rather than to take a whole week, which we would have preferred.

How complete a list do Pack Holiday Advisers keep? I wrote to the PHA of a nearby county — which will be nameless — asking about possible accommodation within that county. I received the addresses of two official houses. Yet I know there are village halls there which are much used for Pack Holidays — because I have stayed in some of them.

I encountered another problem when I phoned the Secretary of a village hall often used for Pack Holidays, and was told that for the particular week about which I was enquiring, the hall had been booked by a Guide Company. Please, Guide Guiders, during the warmer part of the year, use your tents and leave the limited supply of indoor accommodation for the Brownies who have no choice in the matter.

June Shaw
Brownie Guider
2nd Linslade Pack, Beds

GUIDER Points

I was particularly interested in two items from April's GUIDER. The first was Mrs Brunton's letter (p.165). We had a small camp over the Easter weekend near Winchester. Like Mrs Brunton's Unit, we had our evening meal together, but cooked breakfast and prepared lunch (picnics) in groups of two (ie one per tent unit). This does, of course, in-

Solution to Double Acrostic No. 4.

By Brenda Hughes

Later on when things were running more smoothly we took the opportunity to rest, one afternoon. Just as we were dozing off, there was a banging at our door. It was the porter who had come to tell us that two Greeks had arrived at the gate and had said they had come to murder a woman.

A Job in a Lifetime, Muriel Lees.

volve having enough gear to cover both types of catering.

Your other item of interest to us was the one on cycle camping. When we did this, we managed to get a parent to take two Rangers and our gear to the Hampshire camp site in a Dormobile. The rest of us went by train, taking our cycles free. Our camp site was four miles outside Winchester, so we used the bicycles to get into the city where we attended services at the Cathedral on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Day. Otherwise, the Rangers were free to explore the city. They found King Arthur's Round Table and some fascinating shops, discovered brass rubbing at the museum and practised for their life saving bronze medallion at the swimming pool. We also went for some enjoyable country walks. For city Rangers it proved a very successful camp, and two of them were thrilled to be allowed to be invested after the Easter Eucharist at the High Altar at the Cathedral.

(Sri) Audrey Aveyard
Ranger Guider
2nd Edmonton (All Saints)

Fair comment on the Brownie Pennant? (Sent in by the Father of a Yorkshire Brownie.)

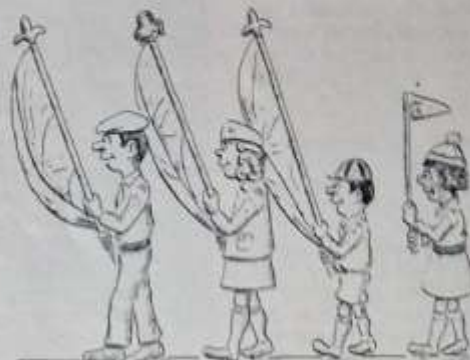
Jubilee Party

On behalf of all Members of the Movement in Hall Green Division Birmingham, I would like to tell you of our Special Jubilee Party held on Saturday, 18th March, 1978.

It was our 25th Party for 'Older Friends'. This party was started in 1953 as our extra Special Good Turn to commemorate the Coronation of Her Majesty The Queen. The party has been held annually ever since. We invite approximately 70 guests to tea and entertainment provided by the Rangers, Guides and Brownies of Hall Green Division. Tea is provided by the Companies and Packs and each guest goes home with a 'parcel of goodies' and posy of flowers supplied by the children. All guests are fetched and returned home by Guiders and friends.

I am sure you will agree that this has been a truly Very Special Good Turn which has given much pleasure to a great number of old people.

Mary E Bloxham (Miss)
Guide Guider, 260th
Birmingham Guides



Mr Murray

On the Beach

The sight of the health conscious Germans doing their exercises on beaches in Spain has long been regarded as one of the hazards of package deal holidaymaking.

Now, however, we are to be encouraged into the same type of exhibitionist behaviour, if the Health Education Council has anything to do with it!

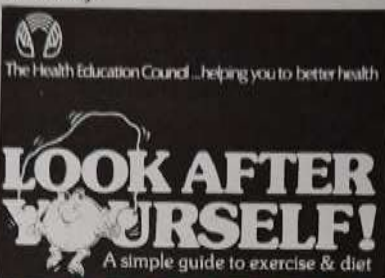
At some Cornish resorts this summer, plans are under way for exercise sessions on the beach for holiday-makers. Keep your eyes peeled! It could be a memorable sight.

Cornwall's Area Health Authority already does arrange talks for groups of young people (including Guides) on various aspects of health care, and would be willing to arrange for local authority PE staff to instruct groups of Guides, if any enterprising Guider is interested in goading her girls out of their accustomed torpor, and down to the beach.

Apply to: **Health Education Department, Cornwall Area Health Authority, Truro, Cornwall.**

The Health Education Council's 'Look After Yourself' campaign launched by Mr Len Murray will continue throughout the year. One of its hard-hitting commercials, featuring a wife who takes her husband Roger for 'walkies' will be familiar to many. Readers wishing to order the Health Education Council's free 23-page booklet 'Look After Yourself' should write to: **The Health Education Council, 78 New Oxford Street, London WC1A 1AH.** The booklet,

which deals with various aspects of health care, including exercise, diet, and giving up smoking, is also available on application to your Area Health Authority.



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The BSAVA reported that there have been many misconceptions in the past and the slide programme shows the nature of the disease in its true light. The programme runs for 20 minutes and is available for hire (at a charge of £10) or sale from BSAVA Lecture Kits, Walter House, 418-422 Strand, London WC2. Groups of Guides or Rangers who hire this programme may be interested to know that the British Small Animal Veterinary Association will arrange to send a member along, if required, to address the group on responsible pet ownership, pet care and the work of the vet. Further information may be obtained by writing to: **Tony Cowie BSc., Public Relations Officer, BSAVA, 19 Montague Place, Kemp Town, Brighton, Sussex BN2 1JE. Tel: 0273 593341.**

Please mention GUIDER

The National Conservation Corps' working holidays sound like fun, and they should be a good way for young people to get to know others of like interests. It seems rather hard that volunteer participants are asked to make a donation of 60p per day while working on their allotted task, but the Corps' working holidays are now so well-established and successful that thousands of people in the past, and hundreds again this year, obviously think it is worth it.

These holidays will be of interest to many in the Ranger age group, though anyone between 16 and 70 can apply. They're working holidays where partici-

In Memoriam

Youth, both in her occupation and as a Guider.

BEP

When the Star of Merit was handed over to **Mary McAlister** of Ayrshire South in December, 1976, it was an expression of intense admiration for her great courage in battling against what was already a long and trying illness. No-one could have foreseen what reserves of courage she was to draw upon in the next 18 months. Mary loved her Brownies, and they, as Brownies and later as Guides and Rangers, loved her, and many of them put on their uniforms and went to Ayr Crematorium at the end of March to show it. She had been 'Brown Owl' to the St Andrew's Church Brownies for many years, and indeed was already ill when she became County Pack Holiday Adviser. But there was no slacking, and her last big effort was the organisation of the Pack Holiday Training weekend in February. Mary loved life, had much to give out of her joyful spirit, and gave much.

AEJ

The death of **Mrs Jeannie Petrie**, aged 32, during March 1978 was a sad loss to the community of Thornhill and its surrounding districts. Jeannie 'was Guiding' in Thornhill since

leaving school, being Assistant Brownie Guider, Guide Guider and for the last three-and-a-half years until her death, Ranger Guider. She held her Camper's Licence and the Guides she took camping from her own and other Districts never forgot the fun and enjoyment of those camps. In April 1975 she attended as one of four Guiders representing Scotland at a training in Belgium. All who met Jeannie, Brownies, Guides, Rangers and Guiders never forgot her, they were infected by her enthusiasm for Guiding. Her friendship, help and cheerfulness will be sadly missed by all.

DMH

From 1922, when she was awarded the Blue Training Diploma, **Marjory Shanks** proved how strongly she valued the importance of training for all adult members of the Guide Movement; for how otherwise could they pass on the Founder's ideas to the young people? For over 30 years she gave most of her time to training in a great variety of ways in this country and abroad. In 1925, and by then she had the Red (in those days, Ranger) Diploma, she went to New South Wales to help with training and the general organisation of the

Movement.

Marjory became 'Head of Camping' for her native Scotland and was given the Chief's Diploma in 1928 when she was Commandant of an International Camp near Geneva. She was the Guider-in-Charge of Waddow from 1929-1936 and during these years she also trained in the West Indies and South Africa. During the Second World War she was Commissioner for Training for CHQ and kept the Training Department going, organising many forms of training for Guiders and PLs.

Back in Scotland in 1945 Miss Shanks was appointed Guider-in-Charge at Netherurd and in the same year she was awarded the MBE.

In 1953 a Trefoil Guild Recorder was appointed for Scotland and Marjory served as Chairman of the Advisory Committee from 1953-1960 and always took a great and active interest in the Guild.

Such a list of appointments shows the wide scope of Marjory's talents, though it doesn't include the many committees on which she sat nor the many trainers who were influenced by her high standards and methods based on those of the Founder.

EMB

Many Guiders and Commissioners of earlier days will remember with affection and appreciation **Euphemia Alison**, who died in March, 1978. She was probably best known in Perthshire and neighbouring counties. Of the 'old school' (in the best sense) she patiently led towards the high standards of the Founder.

In 1920 she was awarded the Blue Training Diploma and in 1938 the IHQ Special Service Badge. District Commissioner, Division Commissioner, County Secretary and County Lone Secretary were among her appointments. What one remembers very strongly about Euphemia was her friendliness — always the same.

EMB

Members of the Movement in Manchester were sad to hear of the sudden death of **Miss Joan Hamer** on January 2nd, 1978, in Banbury.

Miss Hamer was a Division Commissioner for Didsbury from 1959 to 1967 and on her retirement as a Lecturer at Didsbury Teacher Training College, where she formed a Cadet Unit, she became Division President. She was also a very keen worker for

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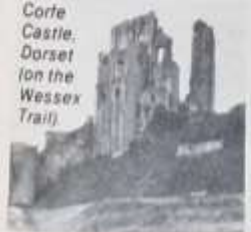
Still on holidays, a novel idea offered by the English, Wales and Scottish Tourist Boards will appeal to historically-minded readers. **Discover Norman Britain** is a booklet priced at 30p (plus 15p by post) which is available at most tourist Information Centres, museums and selected bookshops. It's an attractive booklet which you will probably want to keep for years, and gives detailed information to enable you to follow nine different trails, including *Norman Abbeys Trail*, *Wessex Trail*, *Hereward the Wake Trail* and *In the Steps of the Conqueror*. A good buy for enterprising people who like to branch out on their own, take their own time and who dislike organised holidays.

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THE NORMAN HERITAGE TRAILS

Corte Castle, Dorset (on the Wessex Trail)



Right, Githeroe and its castle (from an old engraving), and Furness Abbey, Northern Abbeys Trail



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Exhibitions

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Spain 1951, a famous Smith photograph.

The V&A is mounting the first major exhibition in Britain of Smith's work this month, which will cover all stages of his

career, from war photography to Smith's later monumental essays on Haiti, Philadelphia and the Minamata mercury poisoning tragedy in Japan.

The exhibition runs from June 28 to September 3, 1978, and will be in room 48E of the Victoria and Albert Museum. Admission is free. **TH**

The Art of the Book

William Matthews and Edgar Mansfield have both been highly influential in the field of fine bookbinding since the 1930s, the former primarily as a craftsman, the latter principally as a designer.

This small exhibition consists of about 50 bindings by Matthews and Mansfield, and even the most casual observer cannot fail to be impressed by the quality of their work. Matthews' design was very personal in style, and he was one of the finest craft binders Britain has produced this century. Mansfield, one of Matthews' best known students, is mainly known for his design and creative capabilities, and his abstract patterns are created on the book cover by using leather of various shades.



Binding by William Matthews, 1960.

The exhibition is at the Victoria and Albert Museum in room 74 until June 24th, and is well worth a visit if you get the chance. Admission is free. (*The V&A is closed on Fridays.*) **TH**

Of Stitches and Scalpels



Scene in a Madhouse by William Hogarth.

You don't have to be particularly scientifically-minded to enjoy an exhibition now running at the Science Museum, South Kensington. It should appeal to

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Paintings for Numbers

WHO'S afraid of the big bad Art Gallery? Well children for a start, or at least that used to be the case. Rightly or wrongly, the image that most Galleries tend to have discourages children who, by nature, are far more inquisitive and active than adults, and inclined to get bored very quickly.

In an attempt to encourage kids to visit them, and find out for themselves that in reality they aren't fuddy-duddy at all, the National Gallery in Trafalgar Square, London, arranged an audio-visual quiz-cum-entertainment for parents and children entitled *Get the Picture?* during Christmas 1976. The questions concerned art in general as well as pictures in the Gallery, and was so well received that a second version called *Got the Picture?* was made for Christmas 1977. The whole thing was designed to get children looking around the Gallery with a new interest, and really to study paintings instead of just throwing them a cursory glance. As Professor John Hale, Chairman of the Trustees of the National Gallery puts it 'It has become positively unnatural to look attentively for some time at an unmoving object... it is something that has to be taught, and I hope that we can ensure that in our schools creative dawdling takes its place alongside creative doodling. If we can do that, and see that the names and works of painters are absorbed as unselfconsciously by boys and girls as they absorb other information and sources of pleasure, then the title of this collection, the National Gallery, will be justified in a fuller sense than ever before.'

A lot of progress has been made towards this ideal by the Gallery. A 'Sandwich Room' has been established in the Northern Extension, with the result that this area has now become something of a reception area for educational services. From mid-1975 to Christmas 1977, more than 400 groups of children were received. In the summer event of 1977 a number of quiz sheets and an entertaining audio-visual show



entitled *I Ask You* was prepared for the Gallery by the ten-year-old pupils of St James Norlands School, Notting Hill. This project probably attracted more interest than any other children's event within the Gallery (proof that children are their own best organisers). The most recent quiz was entitled *Mad Hats*, and involved the children searching out paintings in the gallery and answering a series of entertaining questions on them in a 14-page handout. More quizzes are planned for the summer, and details can be obtained from the Gallery's educational department. It is also possible to make a party booking for your Company or Pack, and a booking form can be obtained from the Gallery. Ring 01-639 3321 exts 295/290 for details.

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Modern Table Tennis. Denis Neale. *Halex Book*. £1.00.

This is a book of value and interest to all who play table tennis at any level, and even to the non-player it offers the basic simplicity of the game with advice on equipment necessary to start and enjoy it.

It has photographs and descriptions of the various shots and their production and useful diagrams of helpful tactics. A large part of this book is devoted to those who are interested in or hope to achieve championship standard. There are chapters on methods of training in various countries, especially in the East and descriptions of the world stars themselves and their types of game.

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Plant and Planet. Huxley, Pelican, £1.25.

The author of this very readable book opens the Preface by saying that it 'has been written to stimulate interest in the world of plants' — and this is precisely what it does. The pages, which are almost obligatory reading to anyone interested in plant-life, bear witness to Mr Huxley's ability to write clearly and to his very wide knowledge. Page after page of each chapter gives examples of interesting observations drawn from all over the world, for the author has travelled and read widely. Chapter 29 — An Incestuous Relationship ('Mankind has an incestuous relationship with Mother Earth' — a graffito at Michigan University) is particularly relevant today when conservation has begun to assume its rightful importance. The chapter begins with a warning from Isaiah 5, and after a frightening and detailed catalogue of what has been happening, and in some areas is still taking place, in the world, it ends with the often overlooked truism that 'the quality of our life depends on its environment'. The book has an excellent index. **RC**

The Puffin Book of Flags. J C G George. Price 75p.

Flags are always fascinating and because of the continuing emergence of new independent countries there are always new ones being added. This little book is a welcome addition to the already wide range of literature on flags. It is concise, informative, well illustrated and easily read and has the added advantage of being pocket sized. It covers a wide range of information and is an excellent introduction to the subject for those who want to find out about flags. There are, however, one or two errors in the letterpress and insufficient information regarding the use of the International letter Q flag, which could be misleading. Even so the book is excellent value, and I would recommend it. **ESA-W**

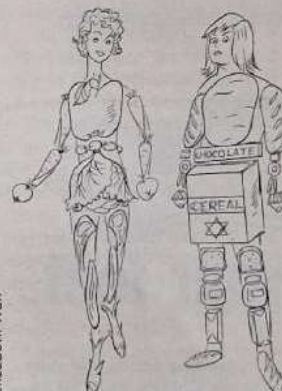
Boutells Heraldry. J P Brook-Little, FSA. Revised Edition 1978, Warne, £9.95.

Heraldry is a living science and this revised up-to-date edition of the most informative and concise book on heraldry is most welcome.

Not only does the author give a brief historical background but he has brought the book up to date with the addition of sections on ecclesiastical and civic heraldry as well as recent trends and developments. There is also a critical bibliography and a full glossary of terms. This is not a book to be read through, it is a book to be dipped into for interest and information and the reader will be well rewarded. My only regret is the price which puts it out of the range of most people, but it is always available from libraries. **ESA-W**

Guide Health Badge Booklet. Girl Guides Association, price 22p.

The major aspects of good health, and the factors which work against it (eg unwise dieting, smoking), are presented in an easily readable form with clear illustrations, some of which usefully show right and wrong ways of doing things.



Elizabeth Wall

Mention of the Health Challenge is deliberately left to the end, though there it might have been more clearly headed. A healthy mind in a healthy body is implied throughout, and is emphasised in use of leisure, while the reasons given for following the good habits and avoiding the bad are offered sensibly and attractively, so that any girl would want to be the 'super' healthy person described in the introduction. **EJF**

Things To Make From Thin Card No 1 and No 2. Rosalie Brown, Goodchild, 35p each (published in conjunction with The Girl Guides Association).

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Watching Birds. Fisher and Flegg, Pelican, 75p.

In up-dating the late James Fisher's book, published 38 years ago, Dr Flegg has done a useful job. It is interesting to compare the contents with those of the original publication. They show ample evidence of the enormous strides which have been made in the field of ornithology since the war and the breadth of enquiry and activity now followed. The book, eminently readable with its eight pages of photos, many maps, graphs and diagrams describes what a bird is, how it lives, how many there are, what watching birds means, the tools of bird-watching (on which Dr Flegg is an expert) and, most important, what one can do in this absorbing subject.

I have one quibble with Dr Flegg who, in his preface, gives too much weight to Fisher's influence on modern ornithology, large though it is. Ornithology today hinges largely on the work of Max Nicholson and no one else. It is a pity that the front cover photograph is attributed to two people. **EMC**

Town and Gardens. Owen, Hodder and Stoughton, £4.75.

Mountains and Moorlands. Darlington, Hodder and Stoughton, £4.75.

These two books form part of a series of five which cover the natural history of Britain and North Europe. They are produced under the general editorship of James Ferguson-Lees and Bruce Campbell. The former an outstanding ornithologist, the latter a first-class naturalist. The

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The editors appreciate that the books are limited in scope. Each book deals with some 600 species of animal life, a total of 3,000 in the series out of a North European total of 50,000. Insects (and plants) clearly come off badly but mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians and fish have fair proportions of the total.

In both books the introductory essay is informative, well-written and in places challenging. Especially is this so in sections of Dr Owen's introduction. The numerous illustrations (over 600 in each book) are in colour and generally good. The information given on each species is in a concise form. There are useful lists of books for further reading and each of the well-bound volumes has a good index. **EMC**

100 Ways With Cider. Taunton Cider Company/Letts, 95p

Cooking with wine has become increasingly popular over the past few years, but the British tradition of cooking with cider is not to be overlooked. This book contains a wealth of cider-based recipes for starters, main courses, puddings, cakes, sauces and marinade, and

even some slimming dishes.

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JVR

The Spirit Wind. Max Fatcher, Methuen, hardback £2.25, paperback 50p.

This story concerns a plucky boy sailor and a sadistic mate on board a square-rigger en route for Australia. There is an aborigine who possesses magical powers to invoke the wind, a local bad man and a family which befriends the boy. The story is set in Australia and although a happy ending can be forecast it is nevertheless compulsive reading. The book is well printed and the illustrations are good. **EMC**

There was an Old Woman, retold and drawn by Steven Kellogg. Warne, £2.50. **Tonton-le-Voltigeur; Mechant Petit Lapin Elève; Beatrix Potter.** Warne, £1 each.

These three new titles from Warne are sure to appeal to adults looking for an unusual book for a small child. The first is a new interpretation of the well-known folk tale, made irresistible by Steven Kellogg's hilariously detailed colour illustrations. The delicacy of the colour and the quality of the printing would make this a really special gift; the old woman, incidentally, is the one who swallowed everything from a fly to a horse.

The Beatrix Potter books need no introduction, and *The Tale of Timmy Tiptoes* and *The Story of a Fierce Bad Rabbit* are now available in French. The delightful pocket-sized, hard-backed format and, of course, the well-loved illustrations are unchanged, and the books would make an ideal gift for a French-speaking child, or to encourage British children in their French studies. **JVR**

Cookery Assignment Cards. Cynthia Gillett, Blackie & Son Ltd. 69p each.

This series of Five Cookery Card Sets was first published some years ago and designed for use in cookery classes for young people, each girl picking her own card to work from. They contain some quick and unusual recipes all clearly set out and explained in detail.

Mrs Gillett has since become a regular and valued contributor to our magazines and writes the text for the very popular cookery strips in *THE BROWNIE* and *TODAY'S GUIDE* featuring 'Souper-kook'. As so much interest in cooking has been created through these strips we felt that our readers would like to know about these Cookery Cards for their future progress. **OMC**

The Spur Book of Chart and Compass. Rob Hunter (A Spur Book Venture Guide), published by Spur Books. 90p.

'This is a book for absolute beginners. It is written in the simplest terms to give a basic grasp of the subject. There is far more in this book about the compass than there is about charts.' So states part of the book's introduction. It is most certainly an introductory book for those intending to put to sea in a boat, and it contains a wealth of information, but I think it would not appeal to a young Guide, but would be most suitable for a would-be mariner or Sea Ranger. **DH**

The Naturalist in Britain. Allen, Pelican, £1.25.

This erudite volume, a history of natural history, is a remarkable tour de force and there is nothing else like it. It is a well-written compendium of absorbing information on all aspects of natural history from the earliest natural history society, the Temple Coffee House Botanic Club founded in 1689, through the oldest still surviving society, the Ashmolean (founded 1828), to the remarkable growth of societies in the last half-century. The people in its early pages remind one of "the rich men furnished with ability" recorded in Ecclesiasticus XLIV. Nesting boxes (the first came into use in 1820), the growth of journals, conchology, ringing, the exploration of the sea-shore, the influence of clerics, county histories, the entry of women into natural history societies, MacGillivray's walk of 800 miles to see the birds in the British Museum, made in 1819 when he was 23, the interest of the Quaker families, and the growth of conservation, are but snippets from what the *New Scientist* has called

this 'meaty social history'. The photographs are admirable. **EMC**

Atlas of World Population History. McEvedy and Jones, Penguin Reference, £1.75.

This meaty reference book deals with the history of the World's population from BC 400 to estimates of the position in the year AD 2000. For each country, and a large number are covered, a graph shows population changes. The accompanying text is much more than explanations of population change. It is concisely written and is interesting history. In some cases the populations of countries no longer existing are given. EG, one graph which includes the two present-day German republics also deals with the Holy Roman Empire, the Kingdom of Prussia, the German Empire of 1815-1918 and inter-war Germany. One appreciates that the smallest countries have had to be omitted but when they are possible trouble spots, such as Gibraltar and the Falkland Islands, it is a pity that they are not mentioned. Belize is covered. The capital of Gambia, by the way, has been known as Banjul for a decade. **EMC**

Bala, child of India. Silverstone and Miller, Methuen, £2.50. **Sia lives on Kilimanjaro.** Riwkin-Bride and Lindgren, Methuen, £1.75.

The first of these essentially picture books costs nearly 6p a page, the second 4p. The book on the Indian child contains a map which suggests that Dehli is a village. Had the pictures been in colour the Republic Day Parade would have been more interesting to the reader. Opportunity to explain is lost. For example, the reader is told that Ma is using cattle dung for fuel but it does not say why. There is no map in the second book. Kilimanjaro could be anywhere in Africa. The photographs in the book, which in any case has more of a story in it than the Indian one, are interesting but is it wise to have children thumbing lifts? Both the boy and girl separately, do this to get to town to see the king. He is magnificent looking but once again colour would have made all the difference. **EMC**

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