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When skies are gentle, breezes bland,
When loam that's warm within the hand
Falls friable between the tines,
Sow hollyhocks and columbines,
The tufted pansy, and the tall
Snapdragon in the broken wall,
Not for this summer, but for next,
Since foresight is the gardener's text,
And though his eyes may never know
How lavishly his flowers blow,
Others will stand and musing say
"These were the flowers he sowed that May"

V. Sackville-West

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Preparations for Hiking

The Chief Scout says in "Girl Guiding":

Girls nowadays do not want to sit down and lead an idle life, not to have everything done for them, nor to have a very easy time. They would much rather show themselves handy people, able to help others and ready, if necessary, to sacrifice themselves for others. When they attain success after facing difficulties, then they feel really happy and triumphant.

It may be thought in these notes that none of these things are possible for town Guides. They are written from the country point of view, as all my Guiding has been done in the country, but going round country companies, you find them just as dull as town ones, and even more apathetic towards Nature than town companies, because they accept it all as a matter of course. For those



companies woodcraft is a great joy. It ought to be quite easy with the help of the Local Association, provided people understand that Guides do not cut down growing trees, to get permission to go into some small wood, or part of one, and build huts. Hut-building provides great scope for the ingenuity of the Guides. I don't allow my company any string or nails when they build huts. I suggest the form the hut might be—either conical, or ridge, or use might be made of one or two trees if they grow close together. The Guides collect sticks for the frame-work, and look out for the ones with forked ends of the right size and shape. Then, when they have made the frame-work, they collect whatever material is handy for putting on the first thatching. If a spruce or fir tree has been cut down the branches make a splendid base, otherwise crossed-sticks laid on the frame-work (these probably have to be square-lashed on), and bracken, make a good thatch, too. On the top of this the sort of dry moss you often find in woods makes a wonderful finish to the huts.

These huts will sometimes stand for a year or more, and only have to be slightly repaired the next summer. It isn't always possible to build such solid huts, but it is always possible to build little miniature lean-to's, and shelters, especially at camp, where little shelters for wood and various other things come in very useful. On hikes you can build little temporary shelters for coats, etc.

Hike cooking can be of two sorts: either with utensils down at your huts, or the light hike when you take practically no utensils at all. All the experiments for the latter can be tried at the huts, such as cooking in paper, and eggs in orange skins or in potatoes, which it is such a bore to fail in when you have gone a long hike. Experiments can also be made in the type of fire to be used on the hike. Personally I like

what is known as the "cob-house" best. It burns up quickly, and leaves a lot of ash with which to cook dampers and, what I think is a great success, things in paper. As cooking in paper may be new to some people, I will describe it. First you dip a sheet of grease-proof paper in water until it is almost sodden, and wrap your bit of meat in it, then do the same with brown paper, wrapping this round the outside, and bury it in the ashes and when the brown paper is burnt off, you will find your bit of meat inside quite cooked.

Meantime you can be roasting your apple or baking your egg, so that all your courses are more or less ready at the same time. All this is very good preparation for your First Class hike, and your Guides are much more likely to enjoy it if they feel that after having walked a couple of miles they know that their fire will burn, and their food will cook, so that they won't go home tired and hungry, will cook, so that they won't go home tired and hungry, because of the failure of their efforts to cook a decent meal.



Questions and Answers

Q. How do you build a cob house fire?

A. First remove the sod of grass, then collect sticks about 1½ in. in diameter and 1 ft. long and lay to N. and S., then two more on the top of them E. and W., so that you have four walls with gaps all the way up between each layer, about 5 or 6 each side. In the middle put little pyramid fire and for the top a criss-cross of thin dry sticks which will catch fire at once.

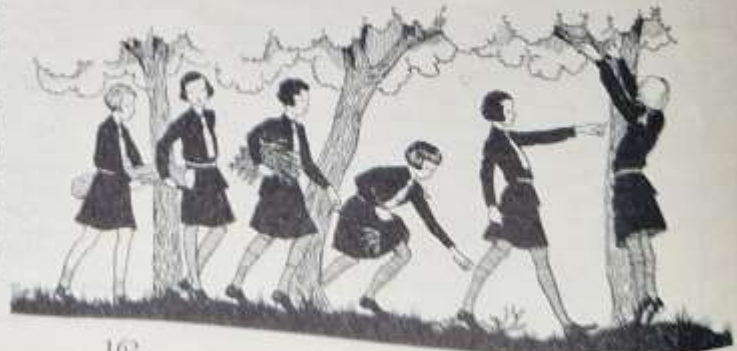
Q. How do you take up a big enough sod without a spade?

A. The best way is to cut two parallel lines about 2 ft. long by 1 or 1½ ft. in the middle cut through. Then by cutting with your knife and another pulling, you roll up each bit from the middle to the end of the parallel lines you have cut. Leave them rolled up, they make very useful tables to rest a hot billy on, and roll down neatly to fill in the place before leaving.

Q. What are the most important things to take on a hike?

A. Waterproof or square of American cloth to sit on, matches, Guide knife.

P.M.





Camping in 1931

THIS is to all appearances going to be a record year for camping. Never before have so many organisations existed for getting people out of doors, and never before have the advantages

of an open air life been so boomed by the Press.

The prejudice against camping which formerly existed in the minds of many of the general public and of some Guide parents, and which at one time constituted one of our difficulties, is gradually dying out. This does not mean that we can heave a sigh of relief and feel, that because everyone is doing it now, and because our camping will therefore be less conspicuous, we can relax a little and content ourselves with a less high standard than hitherto. On the contrary, we want our camping this year to reach a higher standard than ever before, and for this reason: next year marks the Coming-of-Age of the Guide Movement; plans are already afoot to celebrate the occasion in the best and most impressive way possible; but, what matters still more than how we celebrate it, is that we should make sure of having something worth celebrating. It is here that camping comes in.

It has often been said by those whose opinions we value, that a week in a well-run camp can do more to achieve what Guiding is out for than a whole year's attendance at the weekly company meetings. The question is, what constitutes a well-run camp? This is how a Scouter puts it, writing of Scout camps:—

"It is not enough to give the boys a good holiday. It is not enough to make them handy and teach 'camp discipline'; and even if, in addition, you teach them something useful—to row, to swim, to cook—that is not enough. If you have not done something to inspire the boys with the wish to be true Scouts, and helped them to live up to their code, then you have not got full value out of your camp. Brother Scouts, I feel on fire to pass on this war cry—'We must get full value out of our camping.' Let us set to and make a great effort."*

Although originally addressed to Scouts, we Guiders may well take up this war cry, and see how we can "set to" to get full value out of our camping.

To begin with, we must master all the practical details connected with camp life, the pitching (and keeping pitched) of tents, the cooking, first aid, and in fact all the many practical subjects set down in the requirements for the Camper's Licence. For we cannot begin really to enjoy camp until we feel to a certain extent at home with the things with which we have to cope; and unless we are able to enjoy camp ourselves, it is impossible for our Guides to get all the fun, and therefore the full benefit, they should out of it.

One sometimes hears of people who, on passing the licence test, seem to think that the knowledge thus gained should last them for the rest of their camping days. This is far from being the case. Progress is as essential to camping as it is to every other art or science, and progress comes not only from experience but also from the interchange of ideas. This exchanging of ideas can either come about through our visiting other Guide camps, or better still, through attending an occasional training camp where we hear many camping problems discussed and get to know

the latest methods and dodges. In many cases it is difficult for people to find time to attend training camps, but sometimes, if we were really honest with ourselves, we would realise that "lack of time" covers not exactly a multitude of sins, but at any rate some rather mistaken notions. Perhaps we can only devote one whole week of our holidays each year to Guiding, and we spend that week in taking our Guides to camp. Might it not prove of better value to our Guides in the long run, if once now and again we sent them to someone else's camp whilst we ourselves went to a training camp to learn new ideas and methods and to get fresh inspiration for the future? This is not an easy thing to do, as there is no doubt that we all regard the privilege of taking our own Guides to camp as ours by right, and it is difficult to forego this privilege even for one year, even if we are honest and strong-minded enough to admit that it would be a good thing for our Guides.

To probe still further, does not fear of showing our ignorance and of appearing less efficient than others sometimes make us draw back when training camps are mentioned, or, if we are old hands at camping, does self-satisfaction and a disinclination to learn from others sometimes creep in without our realising it? We would never allow these feelings to count against the well-being of our Guides, if once we realised they were there, in the same way that the small minority who still regard the camping rules as unnecessary or unduly troublesome, would cease to do so if once they realised that their sole purpose is to safeguard our Guides and ourselves. If Camp Advisers and other campers could regard the camping rules as a link between them, and as an opportunity for putting co-operation and goodwill into practice, our camps could not fail to be the better for it, as co-operation and goodwill are among those things of which it can be said that "the more each one of us has, the more there remains for everyone else."

The Chief Scout himself tells us how important it is to breed the right spirit in camp, and that to do this the Guider must have it herself, and not only have it, but be able to impart it to her Patrol Leaders and Guides. He goes on to say, talking of a Scout camp, "A camp may be faultlessly organised in its catering, hygiene, etc., and still miss the right spirit. If the camp effects nothing more than the temporary good of fresh air and a jolly outing for himself and his boys, the Camp Master will only have expended much time and worry and energy for a transient return. It is a different matter when he feels that through such work on his part he has sown seed that will eventually produce great plants and good fruits." We must think out beforehand what "great plants and good fruits" we are going to aim at in our camping and then sow our seeds accordingly.

The Chief Guide, in her outlook for 1931, warned us against the tendency towards artificiality and spoon-feeding; camp provides golden opportunities for counteracting these tendencies if, as she suggests, we let our Guides do and think out things for themselves. To develop resourcefulness and independence we must avoid (except perhaps for our first camp) the too heavy weight and too ready-made type of camping which robs the Guides of the chance of

* *Camp and Character Training*, by Major Crum. (Brown. 1s.)

exercising their ingenuity and handcraft. Beds, tables and benches, though they may appear to add to the comfort and tidiness of camp, and though necessary in some cases, render their habitual users very immobile and do not tend to fit them for the more adventurous type of camping with its special opportunities for character training. By treating the minor hardships and difficulties of camp life as a joke, or as an opportunity for showing our mettle, the seeds of grit, a sense of proportion and of humour are planted. But above all, a sense of beauty and an appreciation of all that is most worth while can be awakened better in camp than anywhere else. We learn the satisfaction that comes from hard work well and cheerfully done; the joy of good-fellowship and of working together as a team; we learn that contentment and happiness depend, not on the extent of our worldly possessions, but on appreciating and making the most of those we have, and above all, that goodwill is more valuable and can accomplish more than all the worldly wealth in existence.

If we sow such seeds as these, not only shall we be getting full value out of our camping, but we shall be adding to the store of those things upon which we hope to set a seal with our coming-of-age celebrations next year.

ROSA WARD, *Commissioner for Camping.*

The Roads Beautifying Association



READERS may remember that some months ago we published a notice concerning this Association, with suggestions as to the planting of trees along the new motoring roads to beautify the country which is being so altered by the modern great highways.

Some special rules as a basis of membership for Guides have now been drawn up and are set out below. It is a delightful idea to suggest that after two years' membership of fifty companies in a county, an avenue of flowering cherry trees will be planted and specially named after the Guides of that county.

1. Companies may join at a subscription of 2s. 6d. per annum.
 2. Patrols may join at a subscription of 1s. per annum.
- (Badges will be given free of charge to all companies who join the Association, and to individual patrols who join as such.)

PRIVILEGES OF MEMBERSHIP.

1. When any county has enrolled 50 companies as members of the Roads Beautifying Association for a period of two years or more, the Roads Beautifying Association will then plant, free of charge and with the consent of the county council concerned, an avenue of flowering cherry trees to the Girl Guides of that county.
2. Girl Guide members of the Roads Beautifying Association may apply free of charge to their experts for any horticultural information they may require on trees and shrubs.
3. Girl Guide members may purchase copies of the Roads Beautifying Association Calendar on tree subjects at the wholesale price of 3s. per copy, plus 5d. postage. (Retail price 5s.)
4. The Roads Beautifying Association is prepared to distribute, free of charge, copies of their book, *Roadside Planting*, to representatives of the Girl Guides Association in each county. This is a recognised text book on the subject of roadside tree planting, and gives full details of the planting and after-care of trees and shrubs, when they attain their maximum beauty, and the types of trees which are suitable in the varying climatic and soil conditions.

BROWNIE MEMBERSHIP.

1. Brownie packs may join at a subscription of 1s. per annum.
 2. Brownie Sixes may join at a subscription of 3d. a year.
- (Badges will be given to packs and Sixes as for the Guides.)

The Trail

By ALFRED NOYES.



"A good scout always remembers the significant details of the country through which he has travelled."
"The first object of the pseudo-modern is to wipe out the past."

Indian or boy, with the wood-smoke curling blue
Between the firs, and the smell of the breakfast frying,
And a glen running down to the sea where you swim at dawn,
And the sea-gulls wheeling and crying;

Or the citizen, thinking alone, by his own grey hearth
At the dead of night, with the tick of the clock to teach him:

What are we all but scouts on a world-wide trail
To the Master of all, could we reach Him?

Oh, there's little enough we can learn, though we know
Green sticks
Won't burn very well, and you can't cook trout at a damp fire,
And it's sure that the whole of the race must strike its tents
Ere long, for the sun's but a camp-fire.

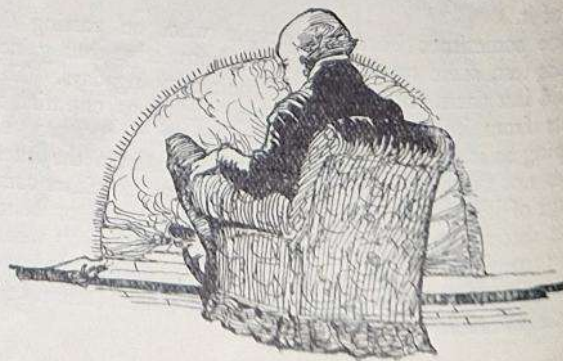
And, night by night, as we sit round the dying glow,
We picture the things we have passed, in the blood-red embers,
Recalling the shape of the hills and the rocks and the trees;
For a good scout always remembers.

And it isn't because—as the fools of the moment say—
That he hankers for things outworn or superseded,
For the staff is still in his hand; but he knows, one day,
The whole of the past will be needed;

And the only clue, after all, in life or death,
To the way he must go is the way he has left behind him.
There are faces, too, lost faces he mustn't forget,
And hearts God made to remind him.

For what if—at last—when he comes to that better world
(For which the fools of the flying moment brawl so)
It be made of the Way itself, and the whole of the Way,
In the Master's remembrance also.

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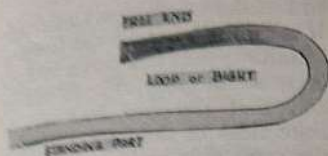


Fig. 1.

KNOTTING FOR GUIDES

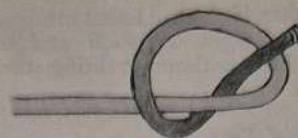


Fig. 2
Overhand Knot.

THE following notes on knots are written in the hope that they may be of use to new Guiders with no previous experience of knotting. I do not claim to be in any way a knot expert, as any knowledge I have has been got from other Guiders and from books, but I have personally found that all the knots to be discussed are of real practical value in Guiding. I shall purposely avoid technical terms where possible, but the following names for the parts of a rope will be used (Fig. 1).

Material.

Many companies still make the mistake of using nothing but string for their knotting. It is quite impossible to make the knots seem real and practical when made with small pieces of string. Guides who have learnt their knots with ropes can easily do them on string if required, but it is much more difficult to do the knots with rope if they have only previously had thin string. Rope is best, but failing this, thick blind cord is better than string as it keeps its shape. Ropes should be at least two yards long, as with short pieces it is difficult to tell which is the standing part and which the free end. The ends of the ropes should either be whipped with thin string, or else bound with a small piece of rubber adhesive tape. If this is not done, the rope will very soon fray, which is not only ugly and unthrifty, but also makes the actual knotting more difficult.

Essentials of Good Knot.

In order to be a good one, a knot must be quick and easy to make. It should also be easy to undo and should hold fast when pulled tight.

Overhand Knot.

This is the simplest of all knots and is the foundation of some more complicated ones. It is made by putting the free end over the standing part and pulling the end up through the loop thus made (Fig. 2). It may be used as a temporary means of preventing a rope from fraying and also to prevent other knots from coming undone.

Reef Knot.

This is a simple joining knot, and is a good knot provided the ropes are of the same thickness, and there is an even strain on them. It may work undone if jerked and slackened. It is also used in bandaging as it is a flat, tidy knot, quick to make and easy to undo (Fig. 3).

Teaching.

I should first try to arouse the Guide's interest by demonstrating to her the practical value of the knot. To do this, I would give her two pieces of rope of the same thickness and ask her to join them. She would probably make either a granny knot (Fig. 4) or a double overhand knot (Fig. 5). I would tell her to pull as hard as she could on the two ropes. If she has made a granny knot, it will probably slip or else jam. The overhand knot will hold firm against all pulling. Then I should tie two similar pieces of rope together with a reef, and we would test it in the same way. The knot will pull up tight and hold firm. So far, except from the point of view of neatness, her granny (if it has jammed) or her overhand knot is as good as my reef. However, when it comes to undoing the knots, the reef wins easily. If the rope is firm, I take the standing part A and the free end Z in one hand, and B and Y in the other and push them towards one another, or if the rope is too soft to push in this way, I take A in one hand and Z in the other and (Fig. 6) jerk the rope straight (Fig. 7). The loops on it can easily then be slipped off.

Then I should ask her to tie her handkerchief or a bandage round her ankle. Some children tie a reef (Fig. 8) instinctively, but it is more likely to be a granny (Fig. 9). Then I should tie up my own ankle with a reef and get her to compare the two knots. She will probably see for herself how clumsy and untidy her knot is, with its ends coming out at right angles, whereas the reef is neat and flat and its ends are easily tucked away. The reef can be easily "upset" as it was when made with rope (Figs. 6 and 7) by having one end pulled straight. When doing this, care should be taken not to jerk the bandage, as it might hurt the injured limb. By this time the child's interest is probably aroused and she is ready to be shown how to make the reef knot.

Method.

I would tell her to take a rope end in each hand and twist one over the other. It makes no difference which is on top, so long as at the second stage she puts one free end alongside and parallel with its own standing part (Fig. 10). When this is done, all she has to do is to put the other free end through the loop thus formed and a reef knot is made (Fig. 3). If the free end is not put beside its own standing part, the result will be a granny (Fig. 4). If the Guide once gets this and a mental picture of the reef into her head she is much less likely to forget



Fig. 3

Reef Knot.

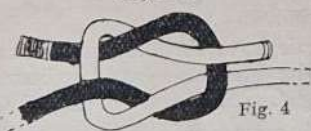


Fig. 4

Granny Knot.



Fig. 5

Double Overhand Knot.

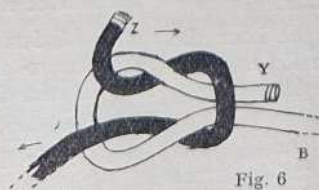


Fig. 6

Upsetting a Reef (1st Stage.)

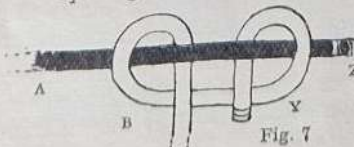


Fig. 7

(2nd Stage).

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it than if she had learnt mechanically to put "right over left and left over right" without realising the reason for it.

Thief Knot.

This is a trick knot which resembles a reef superficially but falls undone at once if the two standing parts are pulled. It is made by first making a loop with one rope, and then bringing

the end of the other rope up through the loop, round behind the free end and standing part and down through the loop again (Fig. 11). It will be noticed that the free ends are on opposite sides of the knot, instead of on the same side as in a reef. This knot has no value except as a test of observation.

M. A. HAIR.

(To be continued.)



Reef Knot. (1st Stage)

Fig. 10



Reef Knot. Fig. 8



Granny Knot.

Fig. 9

Fig. 11
Thief Knot.

Measuring the Wind

HOW many of us can define what a gale is, or for that matter, any kind of wind? The Meteorological Office classifies them according to speed.

First in the list comes the Hurricane, with a speed of over seventy-five miles per hour. It is fortunate that we do not have one very often, for the damage which accompanies it is severe and widespread. Buildings go down before it as though they were hit by a tidal wave.

A Storm is quite bad enough. With the wind blowing at from sixty-four to seventy-five miles an hour the damage can still be widespread, and almost as severe. It is a good thing that this wind, too, is not a frequent visitor.

Between fifty-five and sixty-three miles per hour the wind, meteorologically speaking, is a Whole Gale. Even this is sufficient to uproot trees and blow in the roof of a building.

What the townsman calls a very strong wind blows at from forty-seven to fifty-four miles an hour, and is termed a Strong Gale. Then we keep a wary eye on falling slates and chimney pots.

The common Gale has a speed of thirty-nine to forty-six miles an hour. It is responsible for broken twigs, and makes the cyclist late for work. Most of us think of a gale as something much more violent; yet that is its classification.

When we see whole trees swaying in the wind, and have

to lean forward slightly to walk along, the speed of the wind is between thirty-two and thirty-eight miles an hour—a High Wind. And that is the only wind, so-called, there is in the Meteorological Office, for the next down the scale is the Strong Breeze, blowing from twenty-five to thirty-one miles per hour: the sort of thing that makes us hold our umbrellas tightly, that plays the piper in the telegraph wires, and sighs in the large branches of the trees.

The wind is a Fresh Breeze at nineteen to twenty-four miles: only sufficient to set the small trees swaying, and the surface rippling on the village pond.

A Moderate Breeze is the term for the wind at from thirteen to eighteen miles an hour. Small branches are moved, the dust raised, and loose paper blown about.

There are five breezes altogether. The other two are the Gentle Breeze—eight to twelve miles per hour, when the leaves and twigs are constantly and gracefully swaying; and the Slight Breeze, which merely rustles the leaves, and just moves the weather-vane: it plays gently on the face at from four to seven miles an hour.

When the vane is not moved at all, and only the drifting smoke denotes the direction of the wind, then Light Air is the order of the day. Speed: one to three miles per

GUIDING OVERSEAS

MIGRATION.

THROUGH the generosity of Mr. T. H. Whitehead, a sum of money is now available with which Imperial Headquarters can help Guides and Guiders wishing to migrate. Owing, however, to the present depressed conditions in most parts of the Empire, emigration has been considerably restricted and in some stopped altogether, at any rate for the present.

A few opportunities exist as follows:—

Nursery Governesses in South Africa.

There are a very limited number of these posts and the openings are chiefly in the country. The minimum salary is about £50 per annum. Candidates are requested to show that they have received such education as will qualify them to teach small children, and must be able to do needlework and a certain amount of house work.

Children's Nurses in Kenya Colony.

There is a demand for a few women who are experienced with children and domesticated. The posts are chiefly on farms up country. Salary from £60 to £96.

Canada.

In this Dominion there is some demand for social workers, either those who are already trained for such employment or who would be willing to take a course in preparation.

Guiders and Guides desiring to take up work in other countries can write to the Overseas Department, at Girl Guide Headquarters, 17, Buckingham Palace Road, stating their requirements and qualifications.

THE CHIEFS IN NEW ZEALAND.

Splendid news has come from the Chief Scout and the Chief Guide in New Zealand.

The first letter came from Auckland, and the Chief Guide writes, "It is simply wonderful, and the Guide work is just grand."

They had both attended a Rally in Auckland and then the Chief Guide went to "Otimai" which is the New Zealand Foxlease, and there met 140 Guiders.

Later came a letter from Wellington, and the Chief Guide had met 80 Guiders from that Province, and was resting for two days on a lovely station seventy miles south of Christchurch, before going back to Wellington for the great Rally there, to which came Guides from devastated Hawkes Bay where the terrible earthquake took place.

NEWS FROM INDIA.

It is splendid to be able to report that in spite of the difficult time India has been going through, the Guides have increased in numbers by 1,553.

In a letter comes interesting news of a camp:—

"We have had a large Guide camp at Government House, Poona. We had 75 in camp and over 60 of them were children, and we borrowed the tents from the Indian Army with Sepoys to help pitch them, and got lorries from the Tank Corps. We had Parsees, Jews, Brahmins, Mahomedans, Anglo-Indians, Indian Christian, and British children, and they all turned up at the Guides' Own. It really was fun, and they worked just as hard as any English children I've ever taken. It does need a tremendous amount of preparation and that is the trouble, as you need two lots of kitchens, sanitation, etc., and the languages are many and various; but the whole thing went splendidly."

Yet another camp—the All-India training camp—was held in Hyderabad State. This is the first time the camp has ever been held in an Indian State, and both His Highness the Nizam's Government and the Resident, Colonel Keyes, did everything in their power to make the camp the success it was, and the 140 Guiders assembled from all parts of India fully appreciated it. The camp was held in the grounds of the Residency, Bolarum, kindly lent by Colonel Keyes. An All-India Commissioners' and Secretaries' Conference followed the camp.

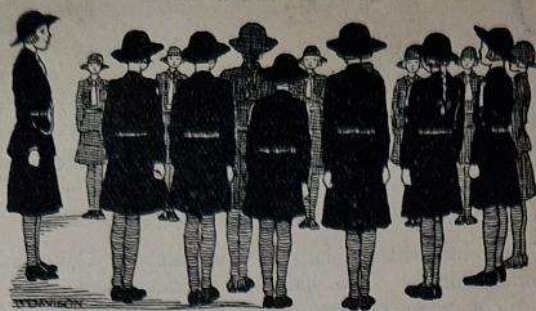


Photo.

The Chief Guide at the Rally at Wellington, New Zealand.

S. & G.

Notes on First Class Test



THIS test was subject to much discussion at the Diploma'd Guiders' Conference last year. It was felt that in some places the syllabus is perhaps a little ambiguous, and that therefore the standard of the test unfortunately varies in different parts of the country. It was generally agreed that Guides like a high standard, and a plea was put forward that the test should be as interesting and inspiring as possible—something really worth while.

The following notes of this discussion may perhaps be of some help to both Guiders and examiners. Any new ideas in testing or training which have proved successful will be most welcome.

State briefly the origin of the Guide Movement and its development.

It was suggested that this part of the test be taken by questions, and

(1) That a Guide should know the main dates in the early history of the Movement, such as those of: The Crystal Palace Rally; the Peace Rally; when Lady Baden-Powell became Chief Guide; when Princess Mary became President; when Foxlease and Waddow were given and bought; the first World Camp; and the formation of the World Bureau.

(2) That a Guide should be able to give an idea of the development of the different branches, such as Brownies, Lones, etc., and of Guiding overseas.

(3) That a Guide should know approximately the numbers of Guides in Great Britain, the Empire, and Overseas.

(4) That a Guide should know her own Commissioner's name and address, the name of the Chief Commissioner, and the main badges of rank.

Judge three out of the following five subjects: Heights, weights, distances, numbers, and time. Two out of three to be within 25 per cent. error in each case.

Guiders should so practise with their Guides that they come to the test with not only a theoretical knowledge of their subject, but with a good general sense of heights, etc., as well.

The Guides should bring their own note-books to the test, so that the examiner may see if they are inclined to over- or under-estimate, etc.

Guides should have at least one method of checking their estimates.

The following methods of judging heights are given, as they are simple, and have both proved useful. If Guides know more than one method, they can compare them, and an average taken by different ways is often fairly accurate.

The first method is reprinted from the GAZETTE of December, 1925.

Method 1.—“Eleven paces from the object to be measured plant a rod or stick, at twelve paces put your eye to the ground. At the place on the rod which appears to you to coincide with the top of the flag pole make a mark and measure to this mark from the ground. The measure in inches should give you the height of the flag pole in feet, i.e. 22 inches on the rod is equivalent to a 22 foot flag pole.”

Method 2.—Take two sticks of equal length, and place one stick (b) to the centre of the other (a) and at right angles from it. Place the end of (b) to the end of the nose. When the object is covered by (a) the height of the object will equal the distance of the Guide from the object.

(Other methods in “Surveying and Mapping for Guides,” published by Brown. Stocked at Headquarters.)

A Guide should also know her own pace, and should be able to pace, using if necessary paces other than her own natural one.

It was suggested that the test should be very thorough and with plenty of variety. The examiner should assure herself that the Guide has fully practised, and at the same time the test should give scope for common sense.

Have an intimate knowledge of the neighbourhood within a radius of half a mile from her home or Guide Headquarters (for country Guides one mile), and be able to direct a stranger to the nearest doctor, fire, ambulance, telephone, police, or railway station, or post or telegraph office, pillar box, garage, and nearest place for petrol, etc., from any point within that district.

This test is seldom made really interesting, and it was suggested that it is much better if a game is brought into it.

A Guide should also know where the main roads go to, and the names and directions of important surrounding towns.

Draw at examination a rough sketch map which would enable a stranger to find his way from any given point to another.

Examiners are asked to read the syllabus.

Guides should be able to read a simple map.

The sketch map they make should be workmanlike and useful, not only pretty!

After much discussion it was decided that it is not always necessary to insert the compass points, as long as the sketch map can really be followed by someone not familiar with the district.

Know how to deal with the following: Shock, asphyxiation, (artificial respiration), fire accident or ice accident, unconsciousness from accident, fits, and fainting.

This part of the test must be taught and tested practically, with emergencies as real as possible. The Guides must know how to do the rescues, and not just have a vague idea from reading or being told how to do them.

A Guide should know how to improvise a stretcher, how to make a chair knot, and how to put it into use. It is not suggested that Guides actually lower each other from windows, but a heavy dead weight such as an unconscious person would be, can be made by an old overcoat stuffed with books and papers and safely pinned up.

She should also know how to throw a life line. A life line consists of a piece of rope, which should be about twenty-five yards long, with a weight of cork attached to one end. The rope should be about the thickness of the cord sold for guy lines at Headquarters. The cork can be bought in a piece, which should weigh about four pounds, and can be placed in a bag. The bag should

be very securely attached to the end of the cord. To throw the life line, coil the rope in the left hand, starting with the unattached end, which must be held firmly. If there is a loop at this end of the cord, the wrist may be slipped through. Take the weight in the right hand, swing it twice and let go, aiming at the drowning man, but remembering to hold tight to the other end. The life line will be of no use whatever unless it falls within reach of the drowning man. That is to say within about two feet of him.

The following is an account of a competition run by a Surrey district to judge the companies in first and second class work for a County Rally. It shows how an emergency can be made very real to the children. Many other such tests and competitions must have been thought out, and it would be interesting to have an account of them.

"We had a car in which was a shopping basket with butter, sugar, oil, flour, etc. In the car also was an old sack, some rope, two Guide poles tied on the off side, and two coats, one green and one red.

"We took with us two small children (when possible unknown to the Guides), with labels describing their symptoms, one of a badly burnt arm, and the other a badly cut leg and sprained ankle. When we arrived at the clubroom, I sent out two younger Guides to my lieutenant, who dressed them in the red and green coats and took them to a spot a quarter of a mile away. In the meantime I told the company a bad motor accident had taken place outside and that two children had been hurt, but that we had seen the mother and aunt of one child walking in the direction of —, and that one was wearing a red and the other a green coat. We told them the child with the cut leg lived three or four houses away from the Guide Headquarters. We also told them that their captain (whom we had previously sent away) was coming over the opposite hill, and would pass the chemist on the way to the clubroom, and would they signal for some iodine and bandages. We then carried in the patients and told the Guides they could use anything in the car. They were to report to us when finished. They carried on by themselves while we watched their handling of the patients. When they had finished we examined the bandages, and asked questions on the treatment, examined the stretcher, and the message received by captain. Then we told them the police wanted to know the number of the car outside, and how long it was since the accident had occurred. We also asked how far away the child's mother had been. (We had noticed how long the messenger had taken to fetch the mother.)"

The question also arose as to the length of time that should elapse, if a Guide failed in part of the test, before she completed it. It was felt that this rather depended on what part of the badge it was, some suggesting six months, and some saying there should be a limit of a year, but that the examiner may, if she is not satisfied that the Guide is keeping up her knowledge, make her take the whole thing again when she comes up to complete her badge.

V. R. D.

GAME.

Stepping Stones Relay.

Patrols stand in file, each leader having three folded sheets of newspapers, or wooden blocks, to represent stepping-stones. At the whistle, she has to cross the room only treading on the stepping stones, and not leaving any of them behind her.

When she can touch the far wall, she collects her three stepping-stones and runs back with them to the next Guide in the file. The first patrol to get all their Guides across the river, wins the game.

H. B. D.



On Keeping Camp Rules

WHEN we start out for camp, there is one thing that we should all be absolutely determined upon, and that is, that we should make very few camp rules, but that we should keep them and see to it that they are kept to the letter.

We have seen camps where small details were listed as "rules" such as, "You must not touch the walls of the tent when they are wet," and so on. Obviously such rules are futile, because, it takes children all their time to remember three or four rules, let alone to master advice that will only be taken ultimately through a joyful disregard of another's painful experience.

We would do well, therefore, to follow the advice given in our official book *Campcraft*, and to make only such rules as are necessary, such as those dealing with camp boundaries, rest hours, bathing, and with the immediate reporting of illness.

Now, unfortunately, there are times when we tend to allow ourselves to become lenient and vacillating regarding camp rules. For instance, two or three Guides may want to run off for an extra bathe just before tea. The sky is blue, the sun shines, you know they are strong swimmers, you think for once that the life-saving pickets will not be necessary, and you give your consent. It is quite against the rules and you know that also, but it seems so absurdly "red-tapey" to refuse. All may go well, but, on the other hand, your weakness may result in a pitiful tragedy.

Similarly, your desire for popularity may lead you to "be a sport" and ignore growing playfulness during "rest hour." In this case the result may not prove serious, but assuredly you will return homewards with several pale-faced, tired, querulous little people who are quite definitely suffering from overstrain.

Then again, there may be a hospitable household in the neighbourhood of camp, where you and your "staff" have been invited to enjoy the luxury of hot baths. Well, why should you and the other Guiders have hot baths, when you know that it would be impossible for your hostess to extend a similar privilege to the remainder of the camp?

In the same way, you may have thought it necessary to put out of bounds a road leading towards a dangerous marsh or a deep quarry. Free-time comes, and you say to one of your lieutenants, "Come along, we'll go and explore!" forgetting that numerous wistful eyes are following you as you head for the "forbidden" and, therefore, desperately enticing pathway. That isn't quite playing the game, is it?

Do let us be strong, sensible, prudent, and scrupulously fair-minded, making one set of camp rules for everyone, and seeing that they are kept by everyone. And let us be above any striving after popularity, realising instead, that we hold the onerous position of being responsible for the lives, the safety, and the well-being of those under our care.

M. M.



Brownie Problems of the Second Class Test

"Now we'll divide up for test work," says Brown Owl.

There is instantly a chorus from the pack.

"Them old knots!"

"Brown Owl, I got through my ball last week, didn't I, Tawny?"

"Brown Owl, will you hear me my flag?"

Sometimes Brown Owl feels a little worried by these, and similar remarks. Surely a properly-run pack would not have this attitude towards their test work. Ought they not to do the work in a different kind of spirit, in order to be able to "lend a hand" more efficiently? and not to "get through the test." I mention this point because I have met a good many Owls who were really worried about it.

Brown Owl need not worry so long as she has laid the right idea as a foundation for the test work. It is there, at the back of the children's minds all the time, but for it to be at the front of their minds would be abnormal. We are dealing with people of eight and nine. They are desperately keen to get on with their test work, and they would not be normal children if they did not hustle over each fence in the test with triumph. But one must be sure that the test work is taught first of all in the right way, or the Brownie's attitude cannot be expected to be other than the "getting through my flag" idea. Do you take your recruit still glowing with the thrill of her enrolment, and sit her on the floor before a chair leg, with a piece of string in her hand? Do you then teach her to tie a reef knot, and when she has done it right twice, say lightly, "now that's a reef knot, what do you think it is used for?"

Or do you say to her "We're going to play at hospitals presently, and I'll show you the proper knot to tie when you're tying up a bandage."

If you use the first method, the Brownie will do her best because she is so keen. If you do things the other way she will be really interested in what she is doing, because there is some point in it. Brownies are such practical people. Before you give them any work to tackle, give them a clear picture of "what it's for." Otherwise they will naturally find your teaching rather boring. Of course, we all mean to do it the interesting way, we make a fresh resolution to that effect every time we return from a training day, or re-read *Brown Magic*. But there is so little time, and the pack are at so many different stages, and there is so much to get into one short pack meeting, and we have taught so many Brownies to tie reef knots, that we sometimes forget to look at the thing from their point of view.

That question of fitting in the test work, with the children at different stages, is a very difficult one—but it can be done, even if you are single-handed, if you plan your programme carefully, in order to give yourself a quiet ten minutes with some of the children. Prepare some simple handcraft which will engross the rest of the pack for that

time, such as a scrapbook story competition. Take to the meeting some sheets of brown paper, some paste, and plenty of pages from old magazines (you can collect these from your friends). Tell the children to illustrate a story with the pictures cut from the pages, and pasted on the sheets of brown paper. Tell them that at the end of ten minutes or so you will come and see who has done it best, but meantime no one is to come and ask you anything. Only thus can you hope to save yourself from the perpetual wail of "Brown Owl." Incidentally, I should tell the Brownies you are teaching, that their turn in picture making will come presently, or their attention will wander. This problem of getting in the test work is only to be solved by good programme-planning and careful preparation.

It is much quieter in the end to take the test slowly and thoroughly.

Ought we to teach the test work through games?

At one time we went through a stage of feeling criminal if we sat our Brownies down to pound away at semaphore for five minutes. We had an uneasy feeling that the best packs never learnt anything in rows, but through the medium of delightful and imaginative games.

We have passed that stage now, many of us have been taught better methods by our Brownies. Children love good hard work for five or ten minutes, if the work has an object. Of course, you have to consider your pack, the type of child you are dealing with. But generally speaking, I think that good hard work for a short time, with an end in view, followed by games when the Brownies have the rudiments firmly planted in their minds, is the best form of training.

This doesn't mean that there should not be fun in the hard work; use the children's imaginations, think of ways to fix the thing in their minds. But don't play an exciting game until they are sure of their ground, or the work will be forgotten in the thrill of the game.

And then there are test games which help and those which merely confuse. Most of us have tried, and found wanting, the type of game in which the pack rush madly round, and at the cry of "England," endeavour to be the first to sit upon a placard bearing the red cross. The children do not have time to think; the instinct of the small child is to sit upon the nearest placard in order not to be left out. I would avoid all test games in which speed counts, and also those "tripping-up" games where the Brownie is confronted with granny knots, and eccentric flags. They confuse the most assured child and one knows as to whether St. Andrew's cross is a white one upon blue ground, or vice versa.

Now as to the standard of the test. How often we have wondered whether it is really right to let the slow child pass the test. She has worked so hard for two years, and all the Brownies of her age have got their badges. But twice out of six times her reef is a granny, and we are not convinced she is sure of the flags. What we have to remember is that the effort is the main thing. Of course, we cannot pass a child who is really inefficient, but the test is an elastic one, and we have to take into account the capabilities of the Brownie, and make up our minds how much we are justified in expecting from her.

It is impossible to say how long a Brownie should work for the test. It depends on the length of the meetings,

also if Brown Owl is single-handed, or has the help of Tawny and Pack Leader.

The knots should always be tied with cord, if it is coloured cord it helps the children, we are so cruel in letting our Brownies use knotty little scraps of string.

In doing up parcels, give the children books or boxes, strong paper and unknotted string. One has seen a Brownie confronted with her belt, a piece of newspaper, and string of different thicknesses.

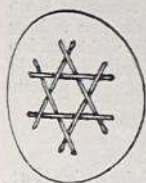
In the nature test, let the child practise describing something which is before her eyes, before she tries to describe something which is not before her. For the test, do not expect her to go on observing her chosen object for too long. Brownies soon tire and a fortnight is quite long enough.

In the health test, always be positive, do not tell the Brownies of frightful things which will happen if they do not clean their teeth and breathe through their noses. In all teaching of health we have to remember the Brownie's mother, and her point of view. We don't want the child to go home and tell mother that Brown Owl said she *must* sleep with her window open. We have to consider the child's home, and go very gently. Above all, do not hold up an impossible ideal of health and cleanliness before a very poor pack. If you do tell them to wash their teeth three times a day, they will not do it. If you tell them that it is a good thing to wash one's teeth once a day they may attempt it.

If you have charts to mark the children's progress towards the Golden Bar, see that they are not too grand and complicated. I have seen Brownies avoiding the beautiful chart hanging in the Six Corner, and bringing out a rather grubby piece of paper to tick off the test passed with triumph.

Above all we want the test to be fun. It ought to be a thrilling obstacle race, not a dreary trail over the furrows of a ploughed field.

R. C.D.



The Folk Dancer Badges

To most people the Folk Dancer Badges still seem to be out of reach of any but the most gifted dancers, possibly because of the mention of the English Folk Dance Society's Elementary and Advanced Country Dance Certificates. Those who have some knowledge of the standards of their examinations feel that too much is being asked of the average Guide, and that she could not hope to pass the Badge without years of hard work. To others again, who have not this knowledge, and, indeed, do not understand what is wanted in country dancing, the standard of the certificates means nothing, and they send their Guides in for the badge with the cheery faith that they will pass if they can get through Rufty Tufty without breaking down.

Now, I should like to point out to everyone that the badges are not meant to be within the reach of everyone, but only of those who care for the dancing for its own sake. A lower standard would undoubtedly attract the badge-hunter, but as it is, these undesirables are probably daunted. The badges do certainly mean a good deal of hard work, but girls of Guide age, more generally than not, have the natural ability to dance well if they are started on the right lines and are given the right ideas. It should be easy for

the town Guider to find out what this means, as she has opportunities to take her Guides to see good dancing, and to go to classes herself, but for the country Guider it is harder, and the following advice might be of use to these and to all those who cannot get help from the E.F.D.S.

1. Remember that the English country dance is essentially a figure dance, where the rhythmical weaving of patterns matters more than variety and skill in step. Use your body to balance you, and let it tilt the way you are going, in exactly the same way as when you are rounding a corner on a bicycle.

2. Try and get an easy spring from the ball of the foot, and not from the toes. A "toey" step generally produces bent knees with weight dragging backwards, which prevents any use of body balance.

3. As well as movement, real dancing means appreciation of the music, or anyhow, of rhythm. Learn the tune and hum it as you dance, and you will find that your natural phrasing of the tune will phrase the figures, prevent the deadly monotony that too often prevails, and join the figures on to each other and so make the dance one continuous whole.

These three things lie at the root of country dancing, and with practice will work in together. An examiner who knows her job will look for them all, and she will not be put off with a mere absence of mistakes. She should, by the way, be a good dancer herself, with a knowledge of E.F.D.S. standards. The fact that she knows the dances set, or is a member of the E.F.D.S. does not necessarily qualify her for the difficult task of examining.

Finally, let the badges, in common with all others, be a means to an end and not the end itself. The more we dance, the more we find in the joy of movement and in a new mode of self-expression. Our country dancing is one of the most English things we have got, and as Guides, if we are keen enough to win the badge, we should realise our responsibility in bringing the knowledge of the dances to others.

L. N. D. LA T.

The following list of country dances has been compiled in order to give people some idea which of the dances should be attempted at the various stages. All those mentioned are recorded either by H.M.V. or by Columbia, and are published in *The English Country Dance, Graded Series*, or separately, and are obtainable from Guide Headquarters.

Elementary.—Brighton Camp, Galopede, Nancy's Fancy, The Black Nag, Gathering Peascods, Rufty Tufty, Goddesses, If all the World were Paper, Haste to the Wedding, Bonnets so Blue, The Maid Peeped Out, Sellenger's Round, Sage Leaf, Lady Spellor, Three Meet, Picking Up Sticks.

Intermediate.—Christchurch Bells, Childgrove, The Merry Merry Milkmaids, Epping Forest, The Old Mole, Hey Boys, Mage on a Cree, Broom, the Bonny Broom, Scotch Cap, Oaken Leaves, Newcastle, Hyde Park, Jenny Pluck Pears, My Lady Cullen.

Advanced.—Parson's Farewell, Chelsea Reach, Confess, Oranges and Lemons, The Boatman, Argeers, Nonesuch, The Geud Man of Ballangigh, The Maid in the Moon.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

April 25th to May 3rd. Country Dance Classes in Ulster.

May 9th. Hackney Country Dance Competitions.

May 11th to 15th. Country Dance Classes at Long Eaton, Bakewell and Ilkeston.

May 16th. Leaders' and Guiders' Country Dance Parties at Cecil Sharp House.

May 18th to 20th. Cumberland Country Dance Competitions.

May 30th. Rover and Ranger Country Dance Party at Cecil Sharp House.

June 13th. Folk Dance Festival at Donington Hall, Leicestershire.



*What to show the Guides this month.
What to look for in May?*

Lilac, laburnum, and horse-chestnut in bloom—
pæonies blazing in the garden. Elder-blossom
and guelder-rose blossom—blossom of mountain-ash and service
tree. The sedge-bird, babbling by a moonlit stream; Philomel
singing, her breast "uptill a thorn." Five hundred wild flowers
—you may find one thousand different wild flowers in a season
in a flowery county like Sussex. The late-comers among the birds,
still arriving from winter quarters—swallows, martins, swifts,
turtle-doves, red-backed shrikes, spotted flycatchers, and nightjars,
the campers' birds. No moment of the day is without bird-song,
and the short May nights are full of voices and songs, besides
those of Philomel, of reed-birds and grasshopper-warblers, cuckoo,
wood-lark and owl. It were easier to write on what *not* to look
for in May and among other things we should put in our list,
"Birds' nests." A good plan would be to inscribe these words
this month in all places where Guides gather together: they are
by Viscount Grey of Falloden:

"Birds, if they could address us, might well say, 'However
kindly your interest and however benevolent your intention, please
do not look for our nests.' You will expose them to dangers of
which you do not dream and from which you cannot save them."

Stars in their Courses.

We were looking last month at Crater, the Cup, balanced on
the back of Hydra, the Water-Snake, crawling along the southern
horizon. Following Crater, there comes to the meridian early in
May nights another group of stars, also on the Snake's back—
Corvus, the Crow, the stars, low down near the south horizon,
forming a rough square. This brilliant group is named by sailors
"Spica's Spanker," as the stars are like a sail.

Above Corvus is Virgo, the Virgin, also easily picked out, as
the stars form the letter Y. A group of the stars, near Leo, six
in number, appear like a basin. The ornament of Virgo is the
white star named Spica ("an ear of corn").

This month, a small constellation, Berenice's Hair, is seen in its
glory in the southern sky, looking like a spider's web glittering
with dew; it is above Virgo and to the east of Leo. All of the
fair sex who wear shorn locks should know this constellation, for
it commemorates the story of the Queen Berenice who must have
been one of the first great ladies to be bobbed, shingled, or other-
wise cropped. Wife of a king of Egypt who was at war with the
Assyrians, she vowed she would sacrifice her hair to the gods if
he came home victorious. He, duly doing so, was horrified, we
may suppose, at the "rape of the locks." His wise men com-
forted him; they found the tresses, as set by Jupiter, in the sky.

It gives a sort of human interest to the stars to know these old
stories about kings and queens, and shepherds and mariners, people
who lived in the days of romance.

New Style Nature-Logs.

Readers especially interested in the Woodcraft training
of Guides will probably agree, that the typical Guide

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Nature-log
is composed
of notes
made in
passing—"Saw a pheasant—heard a blackbird"—and
the last thing an examiner expects to find is evidence of
patient and continuous observation.

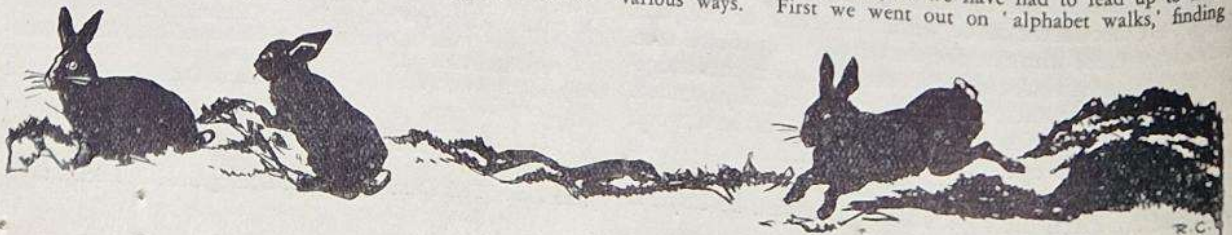
It is pleasant to learn that in a far-flung Sussex division, now
organising many inspiring new endeavours and competitions, a
note has been passed round that in the Nature-log competition for
this summer, those typical logs with passing notes are not wanted,
and competitors should concentrate on one or more intensive study.
A large number of possible studies have been suggested (on the
lines of our note last month on this subject) and companies have
been urged to arrange for watchers to take spells of duty, always
where advisable adopting a camouflage so as to observe without
disturbing the shy wild creatures.

Here a leaf may be taken from the Woodcraft book of the
camera-men who venture into wild and dangerous districts to
obtain the always popular Nature films, such as those of Mr.
Cherry Kearton. In Africa it is a usual device of big-game
photographers to disguise themselves as ostriches, or dress in the
actual skins of animals. A photographer of an expedition which
has been photographing the wild life along the borders of Mexico
and Arizona achieved his greatest triumphs by the plan of hiding
himself and his camera in a six-foot tall cactus which had been
ingeniously converted into a hollow cylinder to make a hide. He
found that birds and beasts, though unaccustomed to the phenom-
enon of a walking cactus, suspected no danger.

The Device of the String Circle!

As a first step to the encouragement of intensive obser-
vation, what could be better than the novel device of the
string circle as described by its inventor below?—who
also sends one of the first-fruits of the plan in the form
of a Brownie's records of things seen within her own circle.
"Item—One rag" makes an unusual sort of Nature-note;
but the whole goes to show that this Brownie's feet have
been set on a path which should lead her on to become an
accomplished Woodcrafter.

"The 1st Mortimer Pack, Berks," (writes their B.O., F.I.H.S.),
"have been taking their 2nd class test. The observation test is
rather difficult for Brownies, so we have had to lead up to it in
various ways. First we went out on 'alphabet walks,' finding





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day. After that, in sixes, we went out with a long piece of string and placed it on the ground, and wrote down what we saw in that ring. Then each Brownie was told to make her own string circle in any place where she could keep watch, and to observe it for a whole week. Here is the log kept by a child of nine years."

What I Saw in My String Circle.

"Sat. In the ring I saw a little blue sprouting broccle, also a few ants and a little thing like a dandelion with all fluffy things on it like them things that we blow and see what the time is.

"Sun. Was nearly the same except that the fluffy things were all gone except two or three.

"Mon. There was a great difference. I saw a lot of ants carrying little white things. The cabbage was much bigger, the little fluffy thing was broken down.

"Tues. There was a big weed grown in the ring and there was no sign of the fluffy thing.

"Wed. There was that great big weed grown nearly as tall as the cabbage and some little ones round it. I could not count the ants because there was so many also a big yellow thing I do not know what it is called.

"Thur. There was more weeds grown but the rest in the ring was just the same.

"Fri. There was a big feather and a piece of old rag."

Bird Law Rhymes.

For the help of candidates for the Bird Lover Badge, who are expected to know something of bird-protection laws, Miss L. Gardiner, Secretary of the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, kindly sends her rhymed version of these laws: this instalment concerns the law as to "scheduled birds." As to the exceptions to the general law that all birds are protected from March 1st to August 1st:

Farmers may defend their crop,
And other cultivators stop
Raids on seed and fruit by such
Birds as they think eat too much.
He who owns or occupies
May take or kill, or authorise
Other folk to take or kill,
On his lands what birds he will—
Save the species that are named
In the Schedule, species famed
As useful, beautiful, or rare,
Worthy of especial care.
Note the list: no hostile hand
Should threaten these throughout the land.
Even in his field or park
None may touch goldfinch or lark;
Nightjar, nightingale, cuckoo,
Golden oriole, hoopoe;
Bee-eater (too rare to know),
Cornish chough or red-legged crow;
Kingfisher of brilliant hue,
Roller, gay in green and blue;

flowers, leaves,
and other growing things beginning with each letter. Then we grew cress, and wrote on a card about what happened each

Owls and woodpeckers—and mind,
Plural words mean every kind;
Spoonbill, bitterns great and small;
Solon goose, and wild ducks all
(Such as, just to name a few,
Mallard, pochard, widgeon, smew,
Teal and eider, scoter black,
And every other kind of "quack");
Pallas' sandgrouse, all the plover—
Dot'el and peewit these do cover—
With their long-legged cousins, too,
Whimbrel, whaup, and stone-curlew;
Godwits, longer-legged still,
Avocet with upturned bill;
Woodcock, snipe, redshank, and green;
Phalarope—not often seen;
Oyster-catcher, also all
That under head "Sandpiper" fall,
Also stints, dunlin or "purre";
Auks, with guillemot and "murre";
Terns, those swallows of the sea,
Gulls, except they black-backed be;
Skuas, grebes, and quaint sea-parrot
(Puffin—"coulterneb," or "marrot");
Divers and the petrels end
The birds the Schedule doth befriend.

(Suggestion for a little competition: A prize for a good Guide who learns this by heart, and repeats it effectively—and has found out something about each bird named! The rhymes provide quite a lesson in ornithology!)

Preserve the Country-Side!

This month's hint: Do all Guides know it is now a punishable offence to uproot wild flowers? No fewer than forty-four counties have adopted by-laws against this vandalism.

Some readers may like to assist the Society for the Protection of Wild Flowers (Mount Severn, Llanidloes, Mont.) by becoming a local secretary: one is wanted in every town and village. A Guider-secretary could do much to stimulate among Guides of a division a desire to preserve our flora, and to see that any by-laws about plants are known and respected.

OUR WOODCRAFT COMPETITION.

Readers this month are invited to contribute their ideas on how the interest of Guides may be awakened in the cause of the preservation of our country-side. Prize Books will be awarded to contributors of all notes published. Address letters THE WOODCRAFT TRAIL, THE GUIDER, 25, Buckingham Palace Road, S.W.1.





Mrs. Markham Explains

For the Benefit of the Would-be Camper

By the Founder of the BRIGHTER CAMPING ASSOCIATION

MARY: I hope you have not forgotten, dear Mamma, that today we are to listen to further instruction concerning the correct deportment of tent-dwellers.

MRS. MARKHAM: Pray, do not imagine, my dear, that I could conscientiously abandon this subject, without first expounding to you many essential particulars concerning tent accommodation. You must not imagine, children, that when you exchange a home of bricks and mortar for one of canvas and grass, Legal Agreements and Tenants' Decorations are feuds of the past. It is true we are no longer sued for Landlord's Property Tax or Inhabited House Duty, but we straightway become involved in our Equipment Manager's Profit and Loss Account, and the Commandant's Sinking Fund.

TOMMY: I should like to give a donation to help the Sinking of a Commandant, dearest Mamma. It is a good idea.

MRS. MARKHAM: On taking possession of your tent, it is as well to use a little careful thought on the arrangement of the interior. Camp beds are considered by some to be an asset; their chief virtue being that one may attach to, and bury under them, most of your *lares* and *penates*. A couple of rabbit holes, one inside your tent and one just outside, will serve as soakage-water pit and waste-paper basket respectively.

MARY: What would happen, Mamma, if the owner of the Rabbit-hole came out through the paper-basket and put in a plea for Ancient Lights?

MRS. MARKHAM: The legal position of Rabbits in this country has long been disregarded, Mary, so we need not anticipate that contingency. Picture-hanging is not always regarded as a suitable occupation, but every facility is given for the construction of Clothes-hangers, which performance involves similar circumduction of the shoulder joints. Remember that, however high you erect this gadget it will sink to the ground within 24 hours. If made of sticks in the official style it is liable to remove portions of visitors' *facies* as they enter to borrow your mallet.

TOMMY: Possibly, Mamma, this would not be altogether a disadvantage in certain cases?

MRS. MARKHAM: Having set your house in order and constructed many more peaceful and less exacting gadgets, you must next preserve a daily routine in order to save yourselves from the effort of re-pitching. Beds should be put outside every morning, and the ground well scratched

before they are replaced. This will not only prove beneficial to the grass, but will enable you to recover all your lost handkerchiefs and wrist-watches. Guy-lines should be left severely alone, as we are unable to foretell the caprices of the English Summer. Brailing should be rolled up by day, and let down at night—if possible, by the visitor previously referred to. Sleeping out is not advised, as your pets often feel uncomfortable when suddenly trodden on at 2.30 a.m., as you make for cover.

MARY: And what, Mamma, are the most suitable pets to have in camp?

MRS. MARKHAM: The Beetle, Mary, is our most usual pet, and takes up very little room. The Frog is unassuming, and will lie contentedly among your blankets for hours together. The Mole and the Earthworm sometimes prove restless, and the worm especially is apt to disturb your slumbers with his sharp cry. The Calf, the Lamb, and the Fox usually confine themselves to early morning calls. You should guard against mistaking the particularly penetrating perfume of the latter for the Rising Whistle. The Calf will lap your washing-water, and the Lamb will crop your boots, while there are certain disadvantages inseparable from the Goose. On the whole I should advise the harmless necessary Kitten, who, if the difficulty of transport can be circumvented, will sit on your Ridge Pole and play with your ropes for hours together.



The Model Training Camp

On the top of the hill the camp was set,
Exposed to the biting blast,
Small wonder that few had come as yet,
And some backed out at the last.

They kindled a fire, made blinding smoke,
For mightily blew the breeze,
And one of them tried to make a joke—
T'was nipped in the bud by a sneeze.

Oh, the morning was fair, the sun shone bright,
The little birds sang so shrill,
The screening was blown to bits overnight—
That model of camping skill!

Now the casualties caused through carelessness
Included a nose quite burnt,
Through folly and absence of wariness,
They thought themselves wise, but weren't!

From a station in town, ran Guiders three,
Who boarded a bounding bus,
And they cried "We are free!" and they shouted with
glee,

"Go camping again? Not us!"

RANGERING

FITS AND MISFITS.

THERE was once a family of children, who, when they felt that exuberant sense of animal spirits you get on a fine morning, when you are utterly content with the present and certain you will be something very fine in the future, used to express it by saying, "I know to-day I fit my skin!" A very nice feeling to have, and a very nasty one when you know you don't fit.

Unfortunately, lots of people don't fit their skins, nor indeed anything else; partly because they are the wrong shape, partly because the things they are trying to fit are the wrong shape. Much of the unhappiness in the world is due to misfits, and part of the Ranger Guider's job is to help people to fit in.

For instance, a great many girls do not fit their jobs, and are dissatisfied with them, and while we hear a great deal of talk about the unsatisfactory present generation who cannot make their work their interest, the fact remains that it seems often that the best people are the least satisfied. Is not this because usually when a girl is dissatisfied, it is not because her work demands too much of her, but too little? Her complaint is that she can do it almost mechanically, without having to put into it anything of herself. Probably there is nothing more desolating than to feel that you have something to give—but that nobody wants it. Probably, too, the reason why hospital nursing appeals to so many is that it obviously demands so much. In some cases it may be a question of helping the Ranger to find the job which will demand all she can give, but not everyone can be a hospital nurse—the public will not consent to be nursed to the exclusion of all other entertainments—and meanwhile the other jobs must be done.

If the Ranger cannot find the job that would fit her, she may be helped to fit the job she has. Often the first thing needed is a fresh outlook. It is the unrecognised, unfaced difficulty that is so disquieting, and the Ranger company should be the place where everyone can talk out their problems and get a more proportionate view of them. That question of the dull work that somebody must do, comes into so many discussions; into citizenship, and into service, with the realisation that in any work, the technical side is but half the job—behind it lies a limitless field of service. Being a housemaid may appear to consist in removing the dust, while it really consists in removing the worry, creating an atmosphere of peace and well-being which will be reflected in the finer work every member of the household is enabled to do.

Besides giving a new outlook on a dull job, we should be able to help the Ranger who feels she could give so much to find the way in which, in her spare time, she can give "something of herself." Service which calls for personal effort and initiative may go a long way to help a girl fit into a comparatively dull job.

Then there is the old difficulty of the people who don't fit into their homes, the inescapable dilemma of being the

Rising Generation. The initial difficulty, of course, is that the family cannot realise the girl has grown up. They knew her in her pram, subconsciously they think of her in her pram still, they cannot accept the fact that she might have changed some of her opinions since she was in her pram. (Every baby should be warned at birth to do nothing it is not prepared to carry with it through the rest of its life.) Quite apart from the universal difficulty of the pram, the position was never more difficult than to-day, because never was there such a gulf in education and opportunity between one generation and the next. The Ranger who is going about a lot, reading, thinking and discussing, often goes back to a home where there is little interest in anything outside. Such a home is bound to feel cramped and narrow. The desire to know is there, and it is the unsatisfied desire that makes it so hard to fit in. If in the Ranger company the girl is getting the opportunities she needs of talking over with others the things that interest her, if through books she can satisfy that craving to know, she can go back to her home and find its narrowness less irksome; she finds intellectual satisfaction outside, and looks for other things at home. It may be true that all the varied interests of Ranging might make her impatient of her home surroundings unless she faces the problem quite frankly, not only the problem of living in a home that feels too small, but the other people's problem of living in a home with someone who feels too big: unless she sees that her advantages are marks, less of her superiority than of her good fortune, and that the interests and knowledge she gets through Ranging are just so much to take back and share with those at home.

Of course, there will always be conflict between the opinions of one generation and the next, and we accept it as the price of progress. We need to give the Rangers not an easy acquiescence with other people's views, but a working compatibility with those from whom they differ, and to impress on them that it is always for the younger generation to show the greater toleration, for whereas the older often think the younger wicked, the younger usually only think the older silly, and the silly deserve more toleration than the wicked. We have to help the Rangers realise that the opinions of this generation have not come straight from Heaven as they sometimes imagine, nor even straight from the other place, as their parents imagine, but have grown out of the opinions of those before them, and that had the last generation not held their views which seem to us so stuffy, we should not now hold ours—which seem so fine and spacious.

In every company there are a certain number of people who never seem to fit in with others, who are always on the fringe of things because they have never found their feet sufficiently to make a place for themselves. But everyone's place in any community, whether in a company or a town or a country, depends on what he or she can give to it. Everyone could contribute something and it is for us to help the girl to find out what she can give, first to the company, and afterwards outside it.

But amongst them are a few who will insist on remaining in the background, not that they particularly enjoy the background, but they will not take responsibility for fear of the possibility of failure. It looks like modesty, but is in fact an extreme form of conceit; they will not risk discovering they do something badly, while they can continue doing nothing so well. You begin to wonder whether they will ever come out of their shells. But some people are like winkles—you can only get them out of their shells with a pin. They don't like it, then, but may be very glad one day. All we can do is to show them, that however little they believe in themselves, we at least have absolute confidence in their ability to do a certain job really well. It is of the greatest importance that the first effort should be a tremendous success, and that through it the winkle should discover that she has something worth giving, even at the risk of failure, and when she has discovered that, she will find that she has made a place into which to fit.

Obviously, to help other people fit into life is no easy task, and like so much of our work it begins with ourselves. The Guider cannot help her Rangers adjust themselves to circumstances, who has never adjusted herself. Whatever queer shapes we are, we have got first to find a way of fitting ourselves in.

When we were very young, we were always being told that there was a little niche in the world for everyone, and all we had to do was to find our little niche. But it seems very doubtful that the world is full of ready-made niches, all neatly labelled like bathing boxes, so that we don't get into the wrong ones. It seems, at the best, it is merely full of slight dents, but dents which may be made niches. It is no use looking for a vacant niche, we have to look out for other people's needs, and in our efforts to supply them we may find that we have made that dent of opportunity into a niche we can fit.

PHYLLIS M. BOND.

The Welsh Conference

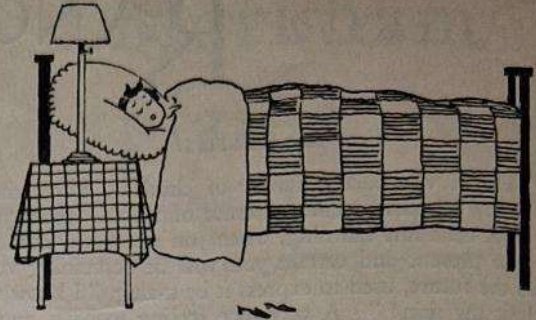
MARCH 19th to 23rd, 1931.

The Welsh Guide Conference was held at Ye Wells Hotel, Llandrindod Wells, Radnorshire, when 205 Commissioners and Guiders were present each day.

The sessions were taken by Miss Winsor, District Commissioner for Merionethshire, on "Guiding"; Miss Chance, Commissioner for Lones, on "Lones"; Miss Shanks, District Commissioner for East Angus and Guider-in-Charge of Waddow, on "Company Management" and "Rangers." Mrs. Cowan Douglas spoke on "Brownies"; Miss Woosnam, County Commissioner for Montgomeryshire, on "Camping"; Mr. H. A. Gray, organising secretary for the Welsh Boy Scouts, on "Nature Lore"; Mrs. Streatfeild, Commissioner for Music and Drama, on "Play Production"; Mr. H. S. Jude, Inspector of Handicrafts, London County Council, on "Handicrafts"; Miss J. Warner, Assistant Editor of *The Council Fire*, on "World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts"; Dr. Oliver Wheeler, Professor of Education, University College for South Wales, on "The Growth of a Philosophy of Life"; and Lady Mayrick, County Commissioner for Pembroke, spoke on "The High Ideals of Guiding."

"The Welcome" was given by Mrs. Mark Kerr on the Thursday night to Commissioners, and on Friday night to the general conference, and she spoke on the Commissioner's job, and corporation of Commissioners and Guiders. During the conference a message was received from Mrs. Birley, Chief Commissioner, regretting her unavoidable absence, and a telegram was sent at the request of all Commissioners and Guiders present wishing every success to the opening of Imperial Headquarters by her Majesty the Queen.

The conference ended up very happily and was considered by one and all to have been very helpful.



Bed and Breakfast

UNITED SOCIETIES' CLUB.

Guiders in search of a good London Club may care to know that the United Societies' Club has moved into new and spacious quarters, and can now offer many advantages with very low subscription rates. Both the chairman and vice-chairman are former Guide Commissioners, so that any prospective member connected with the Movement can be certain of a very warm welcome.

The new club house is in Harrington Gardens (2 minutes from Gloucester Road Station), and contains a number of excellent reception rooms, with sleeping accommodation for thirty-five members. A large proportion of the bedroom accommodation is available for long periods of residence (up to two years), and is specially intended for girls training or working in London.

Members pay an annual subscription of £1 10s. and an entrance fee of £1, and there is an age-limit of 40, as the club is especially intended for young people who cannot afford the more expensive clubs. The prices of the rooms vary from 6s. to 7s. per night, including bath and breakfast, while for longer terms of residence the prices range from £2 5s. to £3 per week, including board.

Rooms are available for parties and meetings and members can bring friends to stay (when accommodation is available), at 1s. extra a night.

A prospectus and any further details will gladly be supplied on application to the Secretary, United Societies' Club, 22, Harrington Gardens, S.W.7.

A NEW HOSTEL.

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Basketry

This is the fourth of a series of articles written for the benefit of those Guiders who are entering for the Guide Handicraft Exhibition on December 3rd to 5th, 1931.

BASKETRY is a very wide term; it applies to the materials used and the methods of their use, not of necessity to the articles made. Actually, basket-making can claim to be the earliest of all the Arts, and the very first domestic industry devised and evolved by the "early woman," with the aid, or more likely by the command of her mate. Nails and teeth prepared and fashioned such raw material as osier, rush, bark, grass, and fibrous roots, and the sharp flint "knife," or bone skewer used by a skilled wife or sweetheart, may, conceivably have been a gift from the admiring male, as a token of his affection.

Among the Indian tribes, in North America, there are innumerable legends in which basket-weaving holds special significance. Here is very briefly, one so attractive that it is worth remembering. The Great Sagahalee Tye (or Creator) made Trees to grow out of mud, and from a ball of mud he formed Man. Man grew lonely, so Woman was made, but she did not know how to please Man, she therefore prayed Sagahalee Tye to help her. He caused her to fall into a deep sleep, and she dreamed that he gave her a precious Thing, which she could neither see, hear, smell, or touch. It was kept safe in a little Basket and through it all the Arts and skilled handicraft became known to woman's descendants.

Native baskets from all over the world show wonderful skill in construction and in the great variety of grasses and fibres which can be used with striking effect. Every design has its own significance—it is there to express something quite definite. The zig-zag pattern, which is not at all unusual, represents lightning, and tells the old story to those who can "read" it, of the birth of the two gods of War, the father of one was the Sun, and the other the Waterfall. The mothers took the lightning to lace up the sides of the basket cradles in which the babies were laid, and caught the rainbow (indicated by the half circle sometimes seen woven into the side of native Indian bowl-shaped baskets) to be the hood of the cradles. So when you have attained complete skill with your rush or your raffia or your seagrass, why not think out some sign, design or ornament characteristic of your countryside, and introduce it as an ornament into your work.

But first and foremost, master the fundamentals of your job—the beginnings and the finishings. Choose some quite simple article and learn to do the whole of it yourself. It is the first few steps in every craft that need the most attention and the most care. Don't hurry them over. There is another very important "Don't" which must not be omitted: Don't buy poor stuff even for your first attempt.

Weldon's *Basket and Cane Work*, 6d., is good and helpful. *Best Way Raffia Work*, 6d., may be useful to those whose ambitions lie in the direction of raffia fancies. The Dryad Press publish at different prices excellent handbooks on this, and on other crafts, and Mr. A. Crampton, "Handicraft House," 25, Lower Belgrave Street, S.W.1, well-known to Women's Institutes, supplies not only materials and tools, but practical instructive leaflets at 3d. each.

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Building Fund News this Month

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The Camp Showroom.

The Donor of the Council Chamber.

We tender an apology to Sir John Cargill for the incorrect printing of his name in last month's *GUIDER* in connection with his generous gift of £2,000 to defray the cost of the Council Chamber in the new Headquarters Building.

Sir John was one of the first to come forward when the Appeal was launched, and has given the room in memory of his wife, who was such a good friend to Glasgow Guides.

Built, but Not Paid for.

After the illustrated supplement of the new building published in last month's *GUIDER*, it may be thought that once built, Headquarters is "paid for," and that like the dog who tosses the sugar from his nose, we can relinquish our labours, imagining we hear those magic words.

We know, however, that if you subtract £50,000 from £74,500 the answer is—well, not a row of noughts. But so remarkable has been this achievement of ours—the raising of £50,000 almost entirely within the Movement in just over two years—that we are confident that the rest of the money will come rolling in, as indeed it is doing every day.

Our New Camping Department at Headquarters.

We did not show you a picture of the new Camp Showroom last month. Here it is now. The platform on which the different types of tents are exhibited was the one which was used for the Opening Ceremony, and this is the hall where the ceremony took place. It looks very different now, with camp equipment set out as you see here.

The tent shown in the picture is the "Cottage" tent (£3 10s.), which is a new tent this year and proving very popular already. If you have not been able to come and see the camp showroom yet, we hope you will be able to do so before you make up your mind about the best way to spend camp funds on equipment this summer. Any tent in the catalogue can be "pitched" for you to see the exact size, or shown rolled up ready packed for you to test the weight.

Last, but not least, for it is worth the telling, is the statement that the county of Surrey has made itself responsible for paying for this department and has sent in over £1,400 for it to date!

THE GUIDE Treasure Hunt.

On Saturday, April 18th, the treasure hunt organised by THE GUIDE took place in Middlesex and Hertfordshire. It was a day of deluging showers and an icy north-east wind, but twelve cars turned up (5s. entrance fee per passenger), making a total of £9 15s. to hand over to the Building Fund.

For the benefit of those who would possibly like to run a similar hunt, the following details may be helpful.

Each car was given a number, and started at three minutes' intervals. The first clue was handed to them at the start, and the rest were found along the route, handed out to them by the Guiders who were waiting for them. The hunters were also given a sealed envelope at the start, containing instructions as to how to get to the finish should they have lost their way and be altogether over their time. This proved a very useful idea, as only two cars finished the course. The five pound note, which was the prize, was eventually divided. The first car (Mrs. Lloyd, Brown Owl of the 10th Euston pack) finished in good time but missed the last clue. The second car was two hours late but did not "run off" the course.

This is an example of a "clue." The words in italics are given in explanation.

"Keep on till Christmas. (*Hollybush Inn.*) Your thoughts may turn to Jerusalem (*Artichoke Inn*) but not if you want to seek fame in this country. The stars will bring enlightenment. (*Any car that went to the British International Film Studio "to seek fame" was presented with a lemon there, and had to return to the main road.*) If you get stuck, a waggon and horses will come to your aid. (*The right road led to The Waggon and Horses Inn, where the clue awaited them.*)

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Handicrafts – Painting – Essay

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A TROOP of Girl Scouts, while out hiking one day, suddenly realised that the most important piece of equipment had been forgotten. A frying pan was indeed most essential for the making of good pancakes! That was the opinion of the group until one resourceful member proved that pancakes could be beautifully and appetizingly cooked on a tin can.

The flour they had brought along with them for making their pancakes was packed in a cookie tin. This she removed, and with the can opener on her Girl Scout knife, she cut an opening about three inches square on one side of the can at the top. Near the bottom of the can on the opposite side she cut a smaller opening about one and a half inches square. She then set the can upside down on the lid. Thus, the bottom of the can became the top of the stove. The large opening was the place for the fuel and the small one was used for the chimney.

Next came the question of fuel. The best kind of fuel for this kind of stove proved to be the small dead twigs and branches broken from any hardwood tree such as apple, oak, hickory, or others. Bits of red cedar bark and small bundles of dry weeds made excellent tinder for starting the fire. The twigs were broken into three- or four-inch lengths and placed in neat piles near the stove. The fuel was small and a great deal was required, so the entire troop set out, each girl to gather sufficient fuel for the cooking of her portion of the pancakes. The twigs were put in the fuel hole of the can and lighted. It required only a few seconds to heat the stove. When the tin became hot, the enamel peeled off and these particles were wiped away with some leaves and grasses.

By this time everything was in readiness for the making of the first pancake on a tin can stove. A piece of bacon was fried, then a spoonful of batter dropped into the hot grease. In a few seconds the cake was covered with bubbles and ready to be turned. While one girl kept the fire going, another cooked her bacon and pancake, until each had her turn as stoker and cook. This continued until the batter was gone.

A great deal of experimenting was done by the various members and it was soon discovered that many other good things besides pancakes could be cooked on any small tin can. One girl added an oven to her stove, in which she was able to bake four small biscuits at one time. To make this, she took another tin can of the same size, cut it in half and discarded the upper portion. The biscuits were placed on the lid and set on top of the stove, then the half can was placed over the biscuits. Still another made a reflector oven of her can. This can had not been

Tin Can

By CAROL

Which the American Girl Scout

cut. The lid had been removed and the can placed on its side with the opening toward the reflector fire. The lid was used as a shelf on which to place the biscuits. This was inserted in the middle of the can and a hot rock placed beneath it.

Potatoes baked in tin cans are delicious! There need be no worry over their being burned or under-cooked. Put a layer of soil in the bottom of the can, then a layer of potatoes. Continue until the can is full. Make sure that none of the potatoes touches the tin can—that is, that they are protected from the tin by the soil. The last layer should be soil. Place the lid and set the can in the centre of the fire, keeping the fire banked around the can. At the end of a half-hour, if convenient, turn the can upside down so that the potatoes will bake evenly. Within an hour the potatoes should be done.

There are a great many advantages to cooking on or in a tin can. First, a tin can stove is an aid to fire prevention, for the coals and flames are confined within the can, thus eliminating any danger where there are dry leaves and grasses about. Sometimes the stove becomes very hot and the grease catches fire. In this case, leave it to burn itself out. There will not be enough grease to burn for very long. A tin can stove makes the work of building, lighting and keeping the fire going, easy. If the ground is damp, the lid of the can protects the fuel from the moisture and the fuel is protected also from the breezes.

After the can has been used as a stove, it may be turned into an incinerator. Any unburned bits of garbage may be buried at the same time that you bury the can when you are through with it.



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Baking Powder Biscuits.

2 cups flour
4 teaspoons baking powder
2 tablespoons shortening
1 teaspoon salt
 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 1 cup milk, or water

Sift the dry ingredients together. Work the shortening into the flour with a fork or tips of fingers. Mix the milk into the flour adding the milk gradually until as soft as can be handled easily. Put on a floured board and roll until one-half an inch thick. Cut into rounds, place in pan, and bake in very hot oven ten to fifteen minutes. Use as little flour as possible on the board when shaping the dough.

A smooth flat rock or the flat side of a half log will make a satisfactory board for rolling the dough. A bottle may be used in the place of a rolling pin.

It is sometimes easier and saves time to mix the dry ingredients and shortening before starting on the hike.

Drop Biscuits.

Follow the recipe for baking powder biscuits, with a little more milk or water to make a softer dough. Drop by spoonfuls on greased pan, and bake in very hot oven for ten to fifteen minutes.

Sour Milk or Soda Biscuits.

2 cups flour
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon soda
2 tablespoons butter
 $\frac{3}{4}$ cup thick sour cream or milk

Mix and sift dry ingredients. Work in the butter with a fork; add liquid gradually to make a soft dough. Drop into a well-greased pan. Bake in a medium oven.

Cheese Biscuits.

2 cups flour
2 tablespoons butter
1 teaspoon salt
4 teaspoons baking powder
 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 1 cup milk
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup grated American cheese



This efficient little stove and frying pan was once a lowly lard container.

Sift the dry ingredients together. Rub butter into flour with fork, stir in the milk gradually and add the cheese. Place on floured board, roll gently about one half an inch thick. Cut into rounds, place in a greased pan and bake in a hot oven ten to fifteen minutes. Or roll out dough, dot with butter, sprinkle with grated cheese, roll up, cut in one inch slices. Bake cut side down.

Fried Eggs.

Break eggs carefully, one at a time, slide gently into 2 tablespoons of hot fat on hot stove. Let fry slowly, take up fat with spoon and pour over egg until yoke has a thin white covering.

Bacon and Eggs.

Lay thin strips of bacon close together on top of stove. Let fry slowly until bacon is crisp and brown. To keep edges from curling, press occasionally with a broad-bladed knife. Remove bacon and keep hot. Slip eggs, one at a time, into the bacon fat (not too hot), pouring it by spoonfuls over the eggs. Cook until set and serve with the bacon.

Tomato Fritters.

Mix together one cup flour, one-half teaspoon baking powder, one-half teaspoon salt. Add one well-beaten egg and one cup of milk. Slice tomatoes. Dip each slice in the batter and fry until delicately browned. Green tomatoes may be used instead of ripe ones.

Scotch Scones.

1 cup flour
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon soda
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sour or butter milk
Mix dry ingredients, add enough sour milk to make a soft dough. When mixed, roll one-half an inch thick on floured board, cut into squares or rounds and bake on a griddle, browning both sides. Serve hot or cold.

Scotch Oat Cakes.

1 cup boiling water
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon soda
1 tablespoon shortening
Oatmeal

Add salt, soda, shortening to boiling water, then stir in oatmeal until dough is stiff enough to knead. Roll very thin, cut into squares, bake slightly on griddle (top of tin can), then dry in slow oven.

Biscuits aren't the only things you can make on your tin can stoves. There are griddle cakes and fritters and eggs in different styles that you may try. Of course, you need practice—and what art doesn't?—to attain perfection, but you will enjoy working out the various recipes once you get into the swing of working these ingenious stoves. After a while, you will probably wish to try out new recipes of your own, and if you do, and find them successful, be sure to let us know what they are.

Reprinted from "The American Girl."

The Tenth Law

IN the August number of the *GUIDER* last year was published the notes of a speech given by Mrs. Mark Kerr, for which I should like to express a very real appreciation. Besides giving us much constructive inspiration in the ways by which we may endeavour to present the 10th Guide Law to our companies, Mrs. Kerr has broached a problem of Guiding, which in my experience is demanding very serious consideration—and that is the question of how far we, as Guiders, are meeting the most vital need of the girls who form our Guide and Ranger companies.

It is so easy to meet for two hours of jolly work and play together once a week, and to let the weeks slip by into months, without really knowing very much more of the homes and lives of our Guides on the six other evenings in the week when they are not Guiding. We feel, and rightly so, that it is rather an impertinence to appear to probe too far into the family concerns and the individual itineraries of the various members of our companies.

And yet—could we project ourselves into the lives of some of them, even for the most brief span, I think that many of us would return to our own, feeling that we had had a glimpse into another world, a world where we had to search deeply for the explanation of some of its standards, and where consequent temptations are more real than we had ever realised.

Mrs. Kerr queries why we tend to shirk teaching the 10th Guide Law, and believes the explanation lies partly in the fact that it does not appeal to us. May I go a step further and wonder why it does not appeal to us?

I think one solution to the question may be found in the possibility that it often presents no very concrete problems to us. In the main, the lives of most Guiders are comparatively sheltered, with the natural result that we have little, if any, knowledge of the possible difficulties which may assail even the nicely brought up, average Guide—should she by chance get into "bad company"—let alone those fiercer temptations of life which confront the girl whose home is no help to her.

That the vast majority of Guides come from good homes is true, and yet I know that this is not invariably the case (particularly in the big industrial and dock-side cities), and I should be very sorry if it were so. Guiding has much, so very much, to offer to the lame dog (perhaps most of all to the dog who is just starting to limp!) if we Guiders will face facts with courage, if we will pause to take thought in the hurried pace of every-day life, and if we will be broad-minded in our outlook.

A social worker of great experience, who is also a firm friend of the Guide Movement, said to me recently: "I feel strongly that Guiding might do so very much more to help. It so often misses its opportunities." I was satisfied with nothing short of concrete facts for such an indictment, and I regret that I had to admit that we had failed in much we might have done, and which still remains for us to do. The truth of this accusation is again brought home to those who have anything to

do with Rescue and Training Homes, by the number of girls admitted month by month who have already been enrolled as Guides, and who come with Tenderfoot Badges in their possession. What has Guiding really meant to them?

It is undeniable that there can be a no more effective "preventive" factor than a well-run, happy, hard-working Guide or Ranger company. But let us not forget that the company is composed of individuals, each the product of a different heredity, upbringing, and experience, no matter how young they may be. While we have no wish or aim to become individualists or psychological cranks, yet we must try to know our Guides, and more especially our Rangers, as individuals, if we would touch the mainspring of human endeavour, and help them to fight those battles of life which might tax even the strongest.

To this end I believe that we should, as Guiders, try to enlarge our own experience and field of vision as much as we possibly can. If we can know something of the home conditions of the roughest, or the least happy-looking member of our companies (and these may have to be ascertained slowly, and with the utmost caution and tact), we may glimpse her greater need, and perhaps be able to supply something of it, be it only the opportunity of an occasional walk and talk with captain, and the chance to discuss some of life's tangles with her. To win such confidence may take much patience and gentle handling—to know how best to give the constructive help needed, will certainly require even greater consideration. But who can tell what it may mean to that young life?

By some knowledge of the hurly-burly, which is the life of many of our less fortunate Rangers and Guides, we may find the meaning and implications of the 10th Guide Law easier to express in language which they can understand. A deeper comprehension of the problems they face will surely help us to avoid the pitfall of preaching, and enable us to find the right road to that desire to "be a sport" which lies deep hidden in the heart of most girls, and of many a one who has gone astray through lack of anyone to show her what true "sport" is.

Our wise Chief has told us that in Guiding we are all sisters, elder and younger, working and playing side by side. Let us not forget this, nor that in the family circle the elder sister's knowledge of the younger is not confined to hours of recreation together. Because of her understanding of all the conditions of their lives, she is able to enter into their confidence, and to take their hands while they tread the rough places of life.

If we, as elder sisters, can keep this vision before us, shall we not find that we are thereby enabled to interpret the 10th Guide Law in the way in which its Guiding inspiration is needed, and that many of the difficulties involved in teaching it have vanished?

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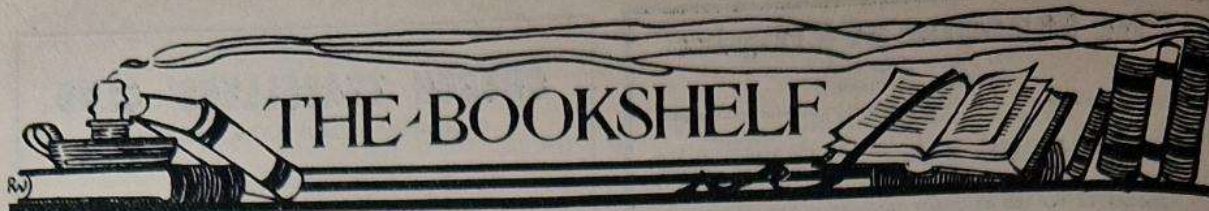
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This is a book which the Guider should read, not only for the sake of her Guides and Rangers, but for her own sake. We are apt sometimes to take the Guide Law for granted, not realising all that it implies, not seeing all that it may lead to if raised and sanctified by holiness. This is a book to read, to think over, and to pass on to others.

F. R.

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P. M. B. T.

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A. H. W.

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R. F. H.

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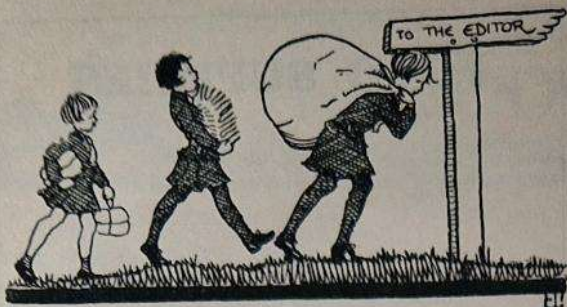
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I have tried to write to all the senders individually, but perhaps some may see this who have not sent their name and address; if so I hope they will accept all our thanks.

We had our first camp at Christmas time, and everyone enjoyed themselves tremendously.—Yours, etc.,

IRENE K. DAWSON,
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The Editor's Post Bag

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To the Editor.

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To the Editor.

DEAR EDITOR,—I have ten numbers of THE GUIDER for the year 1929 and a few odd numbers of THE GUIDER for the years 1928 and 1930. I should be pleased to let anyone have them if they would pay the postage, 1s.—Yours, etc.,

ELLA AVERDUCK.

18, Beech Grove,
Harrogate.

A LUNCHEON CLUB.

To the Editor.

DEAR EDITOR,—A number of Rovers lunch at St. Michael's Retreat (3rd floor), 11, Pilgrim Street, E.C., and in due course hope that they will have a room to themselves.

The superintendent, Mrs. Dawson, suggests that Guides and Rangers would also like to get together in the same way, and asked me to advise you of the scheme; she will gladly supply any further information.

Meanwhile, I would say that the club is not large, but is failing through lack of support at the moment. The aim is to give the city worker a good meal or light refreshments at a reasonable price. The ladies who wait at table all give their services and are members of the League of Help.—Yours, etc.,

LEONARD R. M. CLARKE,

Rover Leader, 1st Croydon and of the London Rover Committee.
3, Highbarrow Road,
Addiscombe, Surrey.

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To the Editor.

DEAR EDITOR,—I have a very poor Brownie pack in London, and I am just starting a library in connection with it. I would be very glad if any one could send me books suitable for children between the ages of seven and eleven years, especially fairy stories, which are by far the most popular.

I should be most grateful for any contributions, whatever condition they may be in.—Yours, etc.,

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DELANO MARRIOTT.

[Several letters are held over this month owing to lack of space.—Ed.]



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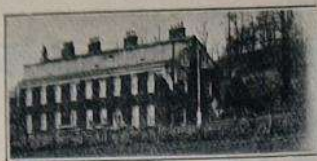
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Foxlease.

FOXLEASE

Owing to the demand for training at Foxlease, Guiders who have booked places are asked to notify the Guider-in-Charge as soon as they know themselves if they find they are unable to come, in order to give the people on the waiting list a chance of taking their places.

DATES.

May 1-8. General Training. Entries closed.
May 11-15. Commissioners.
May 22-29. (Whit-week) General Training.
June 1-5. Woodcraft.
June 9-16. Brownie Training. Entries closed.
June 19-26. General Training.
June 30-July 7. General Training.
July 10-17. Ranger Training.

No applications will be taken for the following weeks until May 10th. County Secretaries may apply for special vacancies between May 1st and 10th. Such vacancies will only be kept provided the names and addresses of entrants and the usual 5s. deposit are sent with the applications.

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All applications for a Training Course should be made to the Guider-in-Charge, Foxlease, Lyndhurst, Hants, and must be accompanied by full name and address of each applicant, together with a deposit of 5s., which will only be returned if withdrawal is made two full weeks before the date of the Course. No applications for any Course will be dealt with until an official notice has appeared in THE GUIDER.

It has been arranged that three vacancies should be reserved for Scotland for all General Training weeks until the 20th of the month in which the dates are first published. Scottish Guiders are therefore requested to send in their applications, including the 5s. deposit, to the Secretary, Girl Guide Headquarters, 12, Melville Street, Edinburgh.

Guiders are asked to note that when a training week is marked closed it is no longer possible to consider applications, even when Guiders are willing to sleep out. The Guider-in-Charge cannot undertake to train more than a certain number of Guiders, so the main factor is not really accommodation but numbers.

This does not apply to Overseas Guiders, for whom special vacancies, within limits, are kept.

FOXLEASE COTTAGES.

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It is not necessary for Guiders staying at the Cottage and "Link" to wear uniform.

Any applications or inquiries to be sent to the Secretary.

CAMP SITES.

All applications must be sent in through the Guider's District Camp Adviser. No district camps, or camps of over fifty, may be held. No further applications can be taken for the first three weeks of August.

PRESENTS.

Toilet Covers, 1st Marston Company; Lampshades, Miss Woodward; Vase, Miss Spooner; Vase, Chiffchaff Patrol, February 6-13.

FOXLEASE GARDENS.

Orders for chrysanthemum plants can now be booked.

WADDOW

DATES.

May 1-4. Ranger week-end.
May 8-12. Woodcraft week-end.
May 15-19. Woodcraft week-end.
May 22-29. (Whitsun) General Training.
June 2-9. General Training.
June 11-17. Brownie Training.
June 19-26. General Training.
June 30-July 7. General Training.
July 10-14. Ranger week-end.
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PRESENTS.

Plants and Rose Trees, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Biley; Books for Morecambe Room, Miss Livesey, N.W. Lancs; Rally Photograph, N.E. Lancs County Committee; Painting of Garden Room, Sun Corridor, and Re-papering of Cheshire Bedroom, Cheshire County; Tablespoons, Miss Smith, New South Wales; Cookery Book, Mrs. Brown Douglas, Edinburgh.

CAMP SITES.

Applications for camp sites, giving dates and approximate numbers and with a booking fee of 2s. 6d., should be sent to the Secretary. Waddow has three camp sites with drinking water laid on. The North Riding and Canada sites include a permanent shelter. The usual permission forms are necessary.

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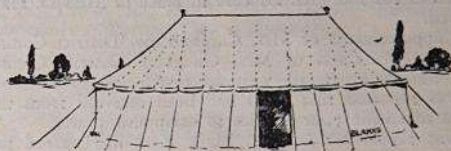
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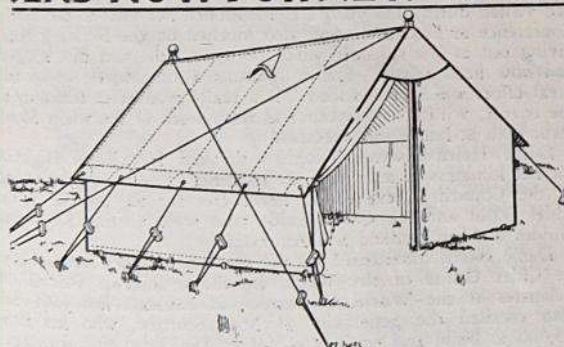
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MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL

Held on April 21st, 1931.

PRESENT:—

Dame Helen Gwynne-Vaughan, G.B.E. (Chair.)
Mrs. Percy Birley.
Sir Percy Everett.
Mrs. Housion Craufurd.
Miss F. G. Robinson.
Miss Sharp.
Miss V. Syngé.
Miss Hanbury Williams.

The appointment of Miss Macnaughton-Jones as G.F.S. Diocesan Head for Norwich Diocese in place of Miss D. Harker, was approved.

The appointments of Mrs. Cuninghame, District Commissioner, Basses Pyrenees, and of Mrs. Gudgeon, District Commissioner, Santos, Sao Paulo, Brazil, were approved.

It was reported that £250 had been received from the Frothblowers to enable poor Guides to camp this year.

It was reported that Mrs. Mark Kerr had agreed to become a Vice-President of the British Women's Hospitality Committee (Business and Professional), in order that the Committee might work in close touch with this Association.

A report from the General Purposes Committee was considered. Routine and financial business was transacted.

The date of the next meeting was fixed for May 19th, at 2.30 p.m.

AWARDS

Medal of Merit.

Miss Ross Thomson, County Secretary, Kent.
Mrs. Douglass, District Commissioner, Fortrose and Rosemarkie, Ross-shire.

"Good Service to the Movement."

Cadet Ranger Betty Cohen, 9th Malvern Ellerslie Cadet Company.

Guide Najla Shehadeh, 1st Nazareth.

"Rescue from drowning."

Certificate of Merit.

Mrs. Nichol, Divisional Commissioner, Berbice, British Guiana.

"Good Service to the Movement."

Brownie May Petman, 29th North Manchester Pack.

"Rescue from drowning."

Gold Lanyards.

Miss Michell, District Captain, Alexandria, Egypt.

Mrs. Marsden, Captain, 1st St. Marychurch, Devon.

Miss Starkey, Captain, S.R.S. "Farnborough."

Miss Wakeham, Captain, 38th Plymouth.

Mrs. Garbett, Brown Owl and Lieutenant, 1st Harting.

Miss Chadwick, Lieutenant, 5th Harrogate.

Miss Hopper, Lieutenant, 1st Paignton.

Miss May, Lieutenant, 1st St. George's, Brussels.

Miss Watkin, Lieutenant, 3rd Kidderminster, G.F.S.

Gold Cords.

Ranger Patrol Second Catherine Armitage, 6th Nottingham.

Ranger Margery Dalby, 9th Central Ranger Company, Hampshire.

Patrol Leader Winifred Sharp, 6th Nottingham.

Patrol Leader Ella Strachan, 1st Stanton Hill.

Patrol Leader Edith Waldron, 3rd Kidderminster G.F.S.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

Held on April 22nd, 1931.

Punctually at 12 noon, H.R.H. Princess Mary arrived at the main entrance of Imperial Headquarters, and was met just within the entrance by Dame Helen Gwynne-Vaughan, chairman of the Executive Committee of the Council; Mrs. Percy Birley, Chief Commissioner; Mrs. Housion Craufurd, Scottish Chief Commissioner, and Sir Percy Everett, Hon. Treasurer. She was then escorted to the Council Chamber, where the above-mentioned members of the Council were awaiting her.

Princess Mary then took the chair, and signed the Minutes of the last General Meeting with the tortoiseshell and gold pen used for the first time at the Opening Ceremony by the Queen, when she signed her name in the Headquarters Visitors' Book. The Princess then called upon Dame Helen Gwynne-Vaughan to move the adoption of the Committee's Report, and in doing so, first drew attention to the increase in numbers in the Movement all over the world: in the British Isles the total stands at 560,564, an increase of 41,828; in the British Overseas Dominions, 115,999, an increase of 9,697, thus showing an Empire membership of over 676,000. In foreign countries there are 269,744 Guides, so that the census for the year shows a total of 946,397, a total increase of 51,896 throughout the world.

Her Royal Highness then referred to the successful Rallies she had visited during the year, and mentioned her visit to the World Conference at Foxlease. She also touched on the Building Fund, giving out as "a splendid piece of news," the fact that £50,000 had now been raised. She congratulated the Movement on this great effort which, she added "is a really wonderful testimony to the energy, willing endeavour and team work of the whole Movement both at home and overseas."

Dame Helen Gwynne-Vaughan thanked Her Royal Highness for her kindness in attending the meeting. She voiced the feeling of the Council in expressing her regret for the absence of the Chief Scout and the Chief Guide who were visiting Scout and Guides in New Zealand and Australia.

Dame Helen commented on the election of the Chief Guide to be Chief Guide of the World by the unanimous vote of the delegates at the World Conference at Foxlease last July. She also recalled the generosity of Mrs. Storrow, who has given £5,000 to build and equip a chalet at Adelboden, in Switzerland, for the use of Guides and Girl Scouts of all nations. In conclusion, Dame Helen spoke of the new Headquarters building, which enables the work to be carried on with far greater expedition and efficiency, and ensures that the staff is working under the best conditions.

The Hon. Treasurer, Sir Percy Everett, in seconding the adoption of the Report and Statement of Accounts, spoke of the satisfactory condition of the financial side of the Association. The branch Headquarters Shops at Liverpool and Birmingham are both doing well, and recently a new venture has been started, a joint Scout and Guide shop in Leeds, which is already proving successful.

Sir Percy quoted the figures of the Building Fund, and announced that it had been decided to close the Fund on February 22nd, 1932, the date of the Chiefs' joint birthday, and the year of the Guide Coming-of-Age celebrations. There was still £24,000 to raise, but donations from more than eighty sources—this last week, and also the week before.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

Mrs. Walter Rawnsley, O.B.E., and Miss Violet Syngé retired from the Executive Committee in accordance with By-law No. 30 of the Royal Charter.

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Lancashire, and Miss Rosa Ward, County Commissioner, Denbigh, were elected to fill the vacancies thus occasioned, and were duly appointed members of the Committee.

PRESENT:—

Her Royal Highness The Princess Mary, Countess of Harewood (in the Chair).

Miss Baden-Powell, Miss Baird, Miss Bewley, Mrs. Percy Birley, Mrs. Blyth, Mrs. Bramwell Booth, The Hon. Mrs. de Beaumont, Mrs. Houston Craufurd, Dame Helen Gwynne-Vaughan, G.B.E., Miss Haldane, Mrs. Mark Kerr, Miss Micholls, The Hon. Mrs. Bertram Mitford, Miss O. Nicholl, Miss C. Pasmore, Miss Robinson, Miss Sharp, Mrs. Snowden, The Dowager Lady Swaythling, Miss Syngé and Miss Talbot.

HEADQUARTERS
NOTICES

HIRE OF MOTOR LORRIES.

The Road Traffic Act, 1930, has seriously affected the use of goods lorries for carrying passengers, and Guiders are warned that Guides cannot be carried in return for payment in any motor vehicle which is not definitely licensed for the carriage of passengers. Even where no payment is made for the carriage of the Guides, but merely for the goods, it will not generally be possible for Guides to travel in the lorry, since Section 31 (3) of the Act lays down that the carrying of 8 or more passengers, even without reward, brings the vehicle for the time being within the class of "Public Service Vehicles" as defined by the Act. "Public Service Vehicles" are subject to a number of regulations of such a character that no ordinary goods lorry can comply with them.

There remains only the possibility of not more than 7 Guides travelling in the lorry to look after the baggage. This will not cause the lorry to become a "Public Service Vehicle," but here another difficulty arises. Every motor vehicle must, under Part 2 of the Act, be covered by a policy of insurance in respect of injury to third parties, but this does not include injuries to persons carried free in the vehicle. Accordingly the usual form of policy taken out by a lorry owner expressly states that the lorry is only covered for use for the carriage of goods and the policy is, therefore, invalidated if persons are carried. If any Guides are carried in the lorry it is thus no longer covered by a policy as required by the Act and the owner becomes liable to very serious penalties.

It is true that most insurance companies, if requested, will agree that the policy shall not be invalidated, but this would have to be arranged beforehand and unless the owner has already had occasion to do so for his own purposes he is not likely to go to this trouble in order to be able to carry 7 Guides free.

Furthermore, if these Guides were injured in any accident it might happen that if any legal claim could be made it could only be made against the owner of the lorry who, not being insured against accidents to passengers, might not be able to meet the claim and in any case it would hardly be desired to make a claim which would have to be met by a person who had gone out of his way to do a good turn to the Guides.

This is necessarily a brief statement of the position and cannot cover all the points which might arise, but it will be sufficient to show that where a vehicle is not licensed for the carriage of passengers, Guides may not travel in it on payment, nor even free if they number more than 7, and that even where the number carried free is less than 8 it is at the least a dangerous proceeding.

LONES.

The Commissioner for Lones asks us to announce that she will be abroad from May 23rd until the end of July. All communications during that time should be addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Lones, Miss Shaw, High Inval, Haslemere, Surrey.

SCOTTISH HEADQUARTERS.

Everyone connected with Guiding in Scotland is requested to write for all requirements to the Secretary, Scottish Headquarters, 12, Melville Street, Edinburgh.

All the necessary equipment, etc., is kept there, but it is impossible to stock every new book advertised in *THE GUIDER*. They are always willing to order these, but must charge postage.

A CAMP FOR CADET RANGERS.

A special camp for Cadets is being held at Warren Beach, near Beaulieu, Hants, from July 28th to August 10th. (See particulars on *Calendar of Events* sheet in the April *GUIDER*.)

Miss Maynard and Miss Walmisley will be in charge. Applications should be made to Miss Maynard, Ballochmorrie, Coulsdon, Surrey, as soon as possible.

The Commissioner for Schools will write a short explanatory article on the camp next month.

THE ANNUAL REPORT, 1930.

The Report for the past year is now published, and may be had from Headquarters, price sixpence.

The census figures as quoted in the report of the Meeting of the Council are here set out, and chapters on the work of the various departments and branches are included.

A number of the special badges worn by Guiders in the various overseas Dominions and Colonies are shown for the first time, and the book contains some charming photographs from all parts of the world.

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(2) Guiders are reminded that the form of application must bear the railway stamp before it can be exchanged by Headquarters for a voucher. This is to show that the local station-master approves of the date on which the party is to travel.

(3) Applications must be sent in to Headquarters not later than one week before the date on which it is proposed to travel.

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(3) With regard to officers travelling with juveniles, one officer can obtain a cheap ticket for every eight juveniles travelling, at the rate of the current single fare for the return journey. Any other Guiders with the party will be charged the current single fare and one-third for the return journey.

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GLADYS D. HODGE, wife of the Rev. C. E. V. Hodge, Vicar of Kildwick-in-Craven, Yorks, captain, 1st Kildwick Guide and Ranger companies, on April 11th, 1931.

THIS MONTH'S COVER.

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April, 1931.

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CORRECTION.

The April GUIDER mentioned the resignation of Mrs. Ker as District Commissioner for Bradfield. This was incorrect. Mrs. Ker has not resigned.

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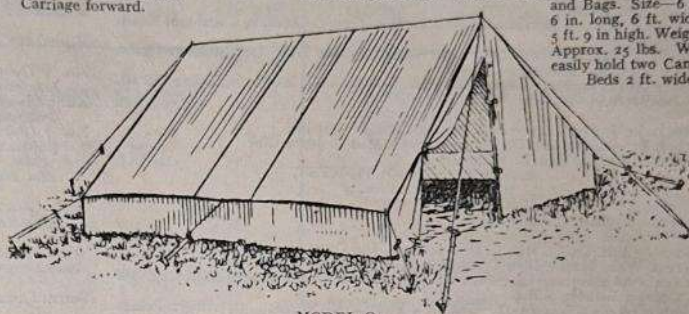
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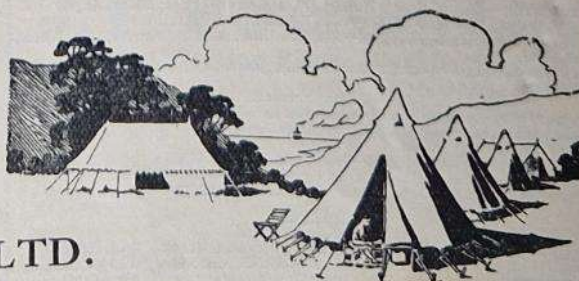
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CORRECTION.

The name of the new Commissioner for Ribble was given in the April GUIDER as Miss Houghton. This was incorrect and should have read Miss Houghton.

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CO. TYRONE.

CORRECTION.

The Commissioners' Register for 1931 gives the appointment of Miss Buchanan, Edenfel, Omagh, as County Secretary for Tyrone. This is a misprint. Miss Dickie, Clonaron, Omagh, is still County Secretary, and Miss Buchanan is County Camp Adviser.

RESIGNATION.

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CORRECTION.

The March GUIDER mentioned the appointment of Miss Hards as Division Commissioner for Mashonaland. This was incorrect. Miss Hards was unable to take up this appointment.

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Young Guider Wanted; help with baby and housework (from middle May). Write Compton, Molo, Langley Park, Mill Hill, N.W.7.

HOSPITALITY.

Foreign Languages; Englishwoman, competent teacher, resident Spain, seeks holiday post *au pair*, summer, in England, in exchange for coaching in Spanish, Italian or French. Box 228, c/o THE GUIDER.

Two French Guiders (Eclaireuses) seek posts *au pair* in same neighbourhood for summer term; can teach French and look after children. Juliette Vidal, 20, Boulevard Raimbaldi, Nice.

French Eclaireuse, aged 15, would like to spend the summer holidays in an English family, preferably Catholic, where there are other young people and where there would be country life and sport. Would pay up to £3 a week, or would have a girl in exchange later on, at Nice. Mrs. Mark Kerr, 19, Draycott Avenue, S.W.3.

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