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# THE CHIEFS

SAY

Thank you!



R.B.P.

**W**HEN the Chief Guide first issued her Appeal to you Guides to raise the mighty sum of £74,500 for your new Headquarters building, I must say I thought you were biting off—well, more than you could get your teeth into, let alone chew!

Three years have passed, years of unprecedented financial depression and difficulty in this country, when even pennies have been hard to come by, and the calls upon the generosity of the public have never been more numerous or more worthy of support.

But the Guides, bless 'em, buckled to in such a sturdy spirit of independence and will-to-win, to use a catch phrase of the day, that almost entirely within their own ranks, and definitely without any public appeal, they have raised over £60,000 out of that great total, which is a feat that I, for one, can hardly believe—(if I did not know the Guides).

The Fund was nominally closed on our birthday, February 22nd, and three thousand receipts were issued by Guide Headquarters between January 1st and that date.

I take this to be a very special kind of pre-birthday present. The total receipts issued during the three years has been in the neighbourhood of 26,000! You certainly kept the Appeal department working overtime!

I expect everyone will want to know how this huge sum has been made up.

From Guides of all ranks in the British Isles ...	£46,230
From the Overseas Dominions and Colonies ...	3,120
From British Guides abroad ...	650
From Guides of other countries ...	630
Friends of the Movement have given us ...	6,000
The Carnegie United Kingdom Trust granted us ...	2,500
Various City of London Companies generously gave us ...	1,600

Total £60,730

## Message from the President

*It is a great achievement to have collected over £60,000 in three years without a public appeal, and so I send my heartiest congratulations to you all on this splendid effort.*

*Mary*

This gives you a rough idea of how the money has been subscribed.

On February 20th, there came an anonymous donation of £19 12s., with the words —RES, NON VERBA—on the envelope.

This is, I think, a fitting epitaph to give to this job of yours, and in applying it to the Guide Movement it seems to me to be one of the highest compliments I can pay you all.

The Chief Guide and I thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your hard work, generosity, and un-failing optimism, and also

for "looking wide" enough to see that in this central building you have opened a door through which members of our World Wide Sisterhood can come crowding in from every corner, welcomed and welcoming.

Good Luck to you all! I so appreciate all that this sum of money stands for, typifying as it does, co-operation from every Commissioner down to the smallest Brownie.

*Naden Power & Bell*



# THE CHIEF GUIDE'S OUTLOOK

## THE BUILDING FUND.

AND so our great building task is over. We have accomplished in the record time of three years the most solid piece of business that our Movement has had to tackle, and all who have shared in this big undertaking can now feel a glow of pride and happiness at having had a hand in supplying the wherewithal.

Team work, hard work, thoughtfulness and self-sacrifice are all some of the ingredients that have been used in the creation of our Guide House, and all the courage and generosity that has been built in to our very foundations must help in no small measure to perfect the work that is carried on within its walls.

Would that more of the many efforts for raising the money could have been recorded, from the Brownies of a tiny English village who gathered their mite in farthings, to the Guides of the Gilbert Islands who, having no farthings, sent their gifts in kind instead.

The Guides of Great Britain can have the pleasure of seeing the house that they have built, but the Guides of Greater Britain beyond the seas perhaps deserve a special meed of praise for having given such help towards the Headquarters that they themselves may never see.

When a game is won it is not for the players to run round saying "thank you" to all their fellow-players!

And so it would seem hardly right to offer even the warmest of thanks to those who, as keen and generous members of our Movement, have done so much in making the Headquarters safe and sound for all time.

I might perhaps be allowed to say how truly we glory in their gifts, and how warmly we congratulate each Guide and Brownie on the part that she has played in this great venture; but it is their own hearts that can best give thanks, and feel "well done."

But to those who have helped us from outside, our thanks should be given in full measure. Money has been given to us willingly by thinking people who have felt that we are a Movement which really deserves support.

This therefore, whilst being a reward and a sign of appreciation of our worth, is also a challenge to us for the future.

Every one of us should now feel more than ever on our mettle, with this strong incentive urging us on to increase our value and our strength.

We have shown that we can build a house; now let us show with even greater force that we are helping to build a finer womanhood, and that, though young in years, our Movement is playing a living part in the social service of the day.

## "THE STORY OF THE GIRL GUIDES."

Something that I have been longing for is being produced for the Movement on April 1st, and that is the official history of our Movement, written by Mrs. Mark Kerr, and published by Headquarters, at the modest sum of 3s. 6d.

She is perhaps qualified, as few others are, to have been chosen to write this much needed account about us, for she remembers the early days so well herself, and she has in this book given a quite delightful description of all our doings from the beginning up to the present day.

Mrs. Mark Kerr has hunted up old records, and searched

out many original letters and papers, and has even discovered some of those priceless pieces of information about the Guide Movement in its infancy that were published in *The Golden Rule* and *Home Notes*, long before such things as Commissioners, Rules, Foxlease, Brownies, Dips and such like had ever been invented.

As all who know her are well aware, Mrs. Mark Kerr does not do things by halves, and in her quest for accurate information she has gleaned from numbers of "veteran" pioneer Guiders some of their reminiscences of the joys, the difficulties, the adventures and vicissitudes, that befell those who, treading a new and apparently strange path, were blazing the trail for us to follow.

This book comes at an opportune moment, for indeed it will be a valuable Birthday Gift for individuals, and it is a valuable Twenty-First Birthday gift to the Movement, by placing on record for all time the true history of the birth and growth of an idea, blossoming into a live and concrete force in the life of our nation.

## THINKING DAY.

February the 22nd is already weeks behind us, and it may seem odd to refer to it in April.

But I think that it would be of interest to some GUIDER readers to know of a few of the outstanding messages that reached us on that date.

Nearly six hundred cables, telegrams and letters arrived at our home, and each one seemed to say the same thing—but a thing that never palls by repetition. It was very touching to us.

From such different places as Brazil, Tasmania, British Columbia, Durban and Malta and so on, came news of special Rallies being held on that day, planned to bring home to the Scouts and Guides something of the world wideeness of the Movement to which they belong.

In Delhi, a Rally was held of over 200 Guides and Blue-birds; in a poor part of one of our largest industrial cities Rangers carried presents to patients in hospital; in France, some Rovers held a special open air Service of Thanksgiving for the birthday of the Chief Scout; in a village "somewhere in England" some Cubs gave a special tea party for themselves and some small boys less well-off than themselves; Madeira sends word to say that their "birthday present is the formation of a new company amongst the poorer children and the hopes of two more to follow"; whilst in Latvia, as is their usual custom, the chief leaders of the Scouts and Guides held a happy friendly "Gemoot," with the earnest determination of spreading tangible links of friendship and the true spirit of Scouting and Guiding.

It all makes one very happy, and it is indeed good to feel that this friendly, generous spirit of goodwill is developing so far, and if this habit of *kindly thinking* grows at its present pace in our ranks, then, in the years to come, our Movement will be giving something more than worth while to the world.

Olave Baden-Powell



# PLANS FOR GUIDE SUNDAY

## LONDON.

SERVICE IN ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL, MAY 28TH.

It has not been found possible this month to publish further details regarding the Order of Service to be followed at St. Paul's on Guide Sunday. These will be found in the May GUIDER.

## SERVICE FOR ROMAN CATHOLIC GUIDES.

The Service to be held at Westminster Cathedral will, as previously announced, take place on Sunday, May 22nd, at 4.30 p.m.

His Eminence Cardinal Bourne will give an address, and it is hoped that the Chief Scout and Chief Guide will be present.

Will all captains of Catholic Guide and Ranger companies in London, Herts, Essex, Bucks, Surrey, Sussex, Kent, and Hants, wishing to attend, please send the number of Guiders, Guides and Rangers hoping to be present to: Miss V. Sandles, 8, Sloane Court, S.W.1, before May 2nd.

No Brownies may attend, but Brownie Guiders will be welcome. Miss Sandles would also like their names and addresses.

Will CATHOLIC GUIDERS AND GUIDES IN OPEN COMPANIES please send their names and addresses to Miss MacDermott, 94, Ashley Gardens, S.W.1, who will arrange for them to be joined up. Guides will assemble in the Cathedral grounds, west gate, at 3.45 p.m. No Colours should be brought.

## ORDER OF SERVICE.

Hail, Queen of Heaven.

Sermon.

To Jesus Heart All Burning.

O Salutaris.

Sweet Sacrament Divine.

Tantum Ergo.

Faith of Our Fathers.

## SERVICE FOR GUIDES OF THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ENGLAND, AND OTHER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES.

A Service for London and Middlesex Guides of the above Churches will be held in St. Columba's (Church of Scotland), Pont Street, S.W.1, on Sunday, May 29th, at 3.30 p.m. Preacher: The Rev. Archibald Fleming, D.D. Will all captains of such companies send their names and addresses and approximate number of their Guides to Miss Fleming, 12, Beaufort Gardens, S.W.1, as soon as possible.

## SERVICES FOR GUIDES OF THE FREE CHURCHES.

The Service to be held in Kingsway Hall on Sunday, May 29th, at 3.30 p.m., is open to all Methodist Guiders and Guides in London and Middlesex.

It will be conducted by Rev. W. J. Hannam, B.D.

Will all Methodist captains please send approximate number of their Guides wishing to attend the service, to Mrs. L. F. Church, Richmond College, Surrey, as soon as possible.

A Service for all other Free Church Guides and Rangers

of London and Middlesex will be held at the City Temple on Sunday, May 29th, at 3.30 p.m., by the courtesy of Dr. F. W. Norwood and the Church Council. Dr. Norwood will officiate.

Will Divisional correspondents please send by April 6th the approximate numbers expected to attend, to Miss I. C. Stead, 81, Humber Road, S.E.3.

## ORDER OF SERVICE.

Invocation.

General Thanksgiving.

Hymn.

First Lesson.

Hymn.

Second Lesson.

Prayers, including the Lord's Prayer and the special Guide prayer.

Hymn.

Address: Dr. F. W. Norwood.

Hymn.

Benediction.

(Hymns suggested include: *These Things shall Be; Now Thank We All Our God; God is Working His Purpose Out; Jerusalem.*)

## SCOTLAND.

The Chief Scout has written to the Heads of the Churches in Scotland asking them to do their best to observe Guide Sunday in some way in their churches and has received most cordial and encouraging replies from the following:—

The Right Rev. John Graham, D.D., Moderator of the Church of Scotland.

The Most Rev. Walter J. F. Robberds, D.D., Primus of the Episcopal Church in Scotland.

The Rev. G. S. Stanley Atkinson, Chairman of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Scotland.

The Rev. Andrew Forson, Chairman of the Congregational Union in Scotland.

Dr. James Scott, Secretary of the Baptist Union in Scotland, and

Dr. Salis Daiches, A.M., Ph.D., Rabbi, Edinburgh.

The Scottish Executive Committee suggest that the following Psalms and Hymns should be sung:—

The Second Paraphrase, the 121st Psalm and two hymns: "O God Our Help in Ages Past," and "For all the Saints."

They hope that the special prayer for Guide Sunday will be used.

## THE EXTENSION BRANCH.

The Commissioner for the Extension Branch hopes that when arranging special Services on Guide Sunday, Extension Guides and Rangers will be remembered. Offers of cars or other means of conveyance will be much appreciated.



# PLANS FOR GUIDE WEEK

## CORNWALL.

Cornwall has decided to make egg collections for the different hospitals during Guide Week, and to have fun and games on Saturday, May 28th, arranged by districts, as they like. A service will be held in Truro Cathedral on Guide Sunday.

## GLASGOW.

To make Guide Sunday as widespread as possible, Glasgow companies are being asked to parade to their own churches instead of having big Division parades. All Ministers in the county who have companies attached to their churches (and there are over 250), are having a special note sent to them by the County Commissioner, asking their help and co-operation on this occasion.

Following the Chief Scout's wish that celebration during this week should take the form of some National Service, plans are in the course of preparation.

Every member in the county is being asked to give up for one week some pleasure or enjoyment, e.g. sweets, cinema, etc., and give the money towards Guide Week. The Patrol Leaders and Sixers are the responsible people to begin with, and are all making little bags in which to hold the Patrol and Six contributions. These they will label and then every night during Guide Week, Districts all over the county will hold Patrol Leaders' gatherings and Sixers' Revels at which the gifts will be received—the evening taking the form possibly of a conference and games night. The grand climax will be reached at the end of the week, when it is hoped to have an open air Rally of all Guiders in the county, and round a huge camp fire, the County Commissioner with a very large bag, will receive from the Divisions the Birthday Week gifts. This will take the form of a Ceremony and the evening will finish up with a Camp Fire.

The national object in view is not quite definite, but all will know beforehand to what they are giving. The suggestion at present is the naming of a bed in the Sick Children's Hospital, as during these difficult times, such institutions are suffering badly.

## LEICESTERSHIRE.

On Guide Sunday, May 29th, a church parade and service will be held in the Cathedral at 3 p.m. Services will also be held on that day at Loughborough, Lutterworth, Market Harborough, and Market Bosworth.

Tree planting will take place at Loughborough and at Market Harborough. At the latter a copper beech will be planted—the first tree in the new park and children's playground.

The Guides of Leicester division are planning to plant an avenue of standard cherry trees, sixty in all, representing the number of companies, in one of the parks. The Lord Mayor has promised to be present, and all the parents and many friends are to be invited. Each captain will plant the tree for her company. An artistic board will be placed at the entrance of the avenue stating how and when the trees were planted.

## THE RING OF SERVICE IN LONDON.

THE GUIDE is holding a "Ring of Service" in London on Saturday, May 21st. The object of holding the Ring

is to gather together as large a number of Guides as possible in one great band of service, before everyone's individual activities start, the following week.

All who live in London or within reach of it are invited by THE GUIDE to come to the Foundling Site, Guildford Street, High Holborn, which has kindly been lent, on Saturday, May 21st, at 7.30 p.m., where a huge Camp Fire will be lighted. Guiders, Rangers and Guides will only be able to join the Ring by entering one of the Gates of Service. The Chief Guide has promised to be present.

There will be four gates to choose from:—

THE GATE OF HANDIWORK, THE GATE OF TOYS, THE GATE OF LITERATURE, and THE GATE OF HELPING OTHERS.

*The Gate of Handiwork.* To pass through this gate a Guide must bring a new garment or useful article which she has made for a child under the age of fourteen. These gifts will be given to the Foundling Site, who are urgently in need of clothes for the Day Nurseries.

*The Gate of Toys.* To pass through this Gate a Guide must bring a new toy she has made, or a toy in good condition, that will give pleasure to the children at the Foundling Site. Balls, bats, toys on wheels, dolls, teddy bears, etc., are all welcome.

*The Gate of Literature.* To pass through this Gate a Guide must bring a book or monthly magazine in good condition which will be passed on through the British Red Cross and Order of St. John Library to the London hospitals, where books and magazines are badly needed for the patients.

*The Gate of Helping Others.* Guiders, Rangers and Guides (over 16) who will be willing and glad to render service by fetching from their homes and taking home again, crippled and blind Guides and Rangers who are unable to come without help, can send their names and addresses to "The Gate of Helping Others," THE GUIDE, 17, Buckingham Palace Road, London, S.W.1, and they will be put in touch with someone who needs their help. They will enter the Ring through the Gate of Helping Others with those whom they have brought.

All Extension and Post Guides and Rangers who would like to come, send their names to the captains of their companies who will then get in touch with THE GUIDE.

Guiders with cars who would be willing to help by fetching and taking home those Guides and Rangers who cannot come any other way, are asked to send their names and addresses and the size of their cars to: "The Gate of Helping Others," THE GUIDE, 17, Buckingham Palace Road, London, S.W.1.

## NORFOLK.

### (NORTH ERPINGHAM DISTRICT.)

This district is running a Treasure Hunt, games, and a picnic tea for Brownies and the younger Guides who are free on Saturday, May 21st.

There is to be a moonlight hike led up to by Scout trails for Guiders, Rangers and the elder Guides, who are at work on Saturdays, on a Wednesday in June.

The whole district will attend the Guide service in Norwich Cathedral on Guide Sunday. Every company and pack will do some good turn to the community in their own village during the week.



## Competitions FOR COMPANIES.

*This is the last of a series of four articles on competitions for Patrol Leaders, Rangers and patrols.*

THE following competition was run in the dark one winter by a Guide company which meets between 6.0 and 7.30 p.m. in a country town. It was the first of many and we found in practice that much that we had learnt in the club room could be better learnt out-of-doors and was much more exciting. Captain has now only to say, "Get your coats; we are going out," to be greeted by cheers from the Guides.

Our first experiment was tried because we felt the Guides who wanted to do First Class were tired after a hard day at school and needed fresh air and something quite different from school.

The whole company was told that thieves had broken into a house near by and that one of their number was outside trying to send a message to his confederates to let them know where he had hidden the swag. Captain, in the backyard, with an electric torch morsed "Under dust-bin," and here the first clue was found. Anyone seen by the burglar was "out," either while trying to read the message or get the clues, and so stalking had to be practised. The other clues were hidden round the outside of the hut and the swag was finally found up a drain pipe.

Then captain told the would-be First Class Guides that the next thing was to try and trace the thieves, and for that she would only take Guides who were trying for the test. There were only six, so they bundled into Captain's car, but the competition could be equally well run on foot. They drove first to a house about 200 yards away where the burglary was supposed to have been committed. Here they got out and were asked how far they thought it was from the Guide hut, how long would the burglar have taken to get there in order to signal, from what town could he have come along the main road? They were also asked to take compass directions (by stars) to help the police. Into the car again to go to the police station. The Guides were asked to direct the driver, who faithfully tried to carry out their instructions, and they discovered that clear directions were not so easy to give. They might at this juncture be asked to draw a quick map of the way. Before they reached the police station the car slowed down. No petrol. "Who knows the nearest petrol station?" Points given to the quickest and clearest answer. From the police on again to look for signs of thieves. Found car (imaginary) in ditch, probably burglars'.

"Quick. Two people run to the nearest telephone box to telephone to the doctor (his telephone number must be brought back), two to the nearest garage for breakdown gang, two to the nearest chemist."

While they are away Captain made notes of passing cars and men. When they returned she tested them for pace and condition, and asked them to judge the time they had been away and the distance run.

She also asked had they observed any cars in which the thieves might have got away or any suspicious-looking men? Points were given for any good observations. On again to a barn supposed to have been set on fire by escaping thieves to distract attention. This was about a mile and a half from the Guide Hut and the Guides were asked to describe the shortest way to the fire station: (1) if they

went on foot, and (2) if they went by car. Here again a map could have been made.

On the way home there were comments: "Wasn't it thrilling? I am glad we are doing First Class. Couldn't we do something for the Second Class Guides like this, so that they should have some of the fun?"

So our next experiment included the whole company. But that is another story. N. B.

## Uniform and Inspection

IN these days of necessary economy and real hardship, very few Guides in very few companies can afford to buy their complete uniform in readiness for their enrolment. But that is no reason why we should pass by the recruit or the hatless Tenderfoot when we inspect the remainder of the company, because that tends to make the new girl feel uncomfortable and somewhat "out of it." In fact, we should always try to pave the way for future inspections by commending clean hands or clean shoes, and later, by admiring the brightness of the Tenderfoot badge. Of course, we should always leave the Patrol Leaders to show the new members how to don their uniforms and we should merely comment upon the final result.

Now, let us leave this problem of recruits and Tenderfoots and talk about the company in general. It does seem a pity, Guiders, when we have been given such clear and definite guidance in our book of *Rules and Policy*, that many of us do not yet take the trouble to be accurate as to the details concerning uniform. Our uniform is a symbol that we all belong to the same big family; so do let us see to it that we wear it correctly and that each part is immaculate, showing that we are really proud to be members of the Guide Movement.

Of course, there comes a time in the history of the old and proved company when inspection seems almost superfluous, because everything is invariably spotless and shining, and put on faultlessly, but most of us have to wait many years for this Utopian state of things! In such rare cases, however, inspection should always be full of surprises. For instance, we might omit it entirely for two nights, and on the third look carefully for signs of dullness on belts or badges. Another night let us pounce upon muddy shoes or crumpled ties and so on, while yet another night might be devoted to the inspection of the contents of pockets, which always proves interesting and enlightening. Similarly, we might sometimes take a look at the knives that we are entitled to wear on the swivel of our belts. Very often these are blunt, broken, or completely rusted, a condition which does not make for usefulness.

Meanwhile, there are those of us who still feel the necessity of a nightly "general" inspection. The great thing for us to remember is—always to give more praise than blame! There is something horribly damping about the Guider who sets out to look for faults instead of to seek improvement, and we can be quite sure that if we look for improvement in the right way and in the right spirit, we will invariably get it.

Do let us remember also that it is unforgivable to "handle" a Guide if her uniform is not to our liking. Nobody cares to have their personal apparel "pulled about," so merely comment upon the fault and allow the Guide to step out of her Patrol and correct it for herself. Incidentally, let us always take a very careful look at ourselves in the glass before we set out to "inspect" other people.

M. M.





### Guide Week

**B**ROWNIE packs will want to have an opportunity of taking part in "Guide Week," and perhaps a few ideas and suggestions as to what Brownies can do will be a help to those who are responsible for making arrangements for the packs.

#### Mothers' Parties.

A Brownie's promise of service is "especially those at home"—perhaps some packs could give a party to their mothers and fathers. It is quite hard work for them and yet does not entail weeks of preparation like an entertainment.

#### Brownie Messengers.

Some packs might arrange to be Brownie Messengers for "Guide Week," and the individual Brownies see how many messages they can run—or Brownie Folders or Tidiers, and see how many things they can fold and put away or how many drawers and boxes they can tidy—or Brownie Washers-up, or whatever Brown Owl can think of that would be a help at home.

#### "Lend a Hand" Meeting.

Sometimes poor packs have what they call a "Lend a Hand" Meeting to raise funds. People are invited to come to the clubroom and have their shoes shined, or their brass ornaments polished, or wool wound, etc. These little jobs might be done without charging the usual 2d.—they could be done as a Good Turn during "Guide Week."

#### Surprise Bundles of Sticks.

The pack could collect fire-wood, tie it up in bundles labelled "from the Brownies," and leave it outside the doors of old people or invalids. If no wood is available, flowers or magazines could be taken around.

#### Sowing Wild Flower Seeds.

Planting trees is perhaps rather an ambitious scheme for Brownies, but with Brown Owl's help they could sow wild flower seeds, foxgloves, primroses or any seeds which are not of the weed variety, or plant bulbs in suitable places. Very often there are neglected corners in villages, untidy and unsightly heaps which could be tidied up and transformed into beauty spots with very little labour. It would be essential to get permission from local authorities before embarking on a scheme like this, but in some places the offer would be gladly accepted.

#### Church Parades.

If combined Church Parades for Guides and Brownies are being arranged, which will probably be the case in the smaller towns and villages, it is better for the packs not to fall in with the Guides and march with them to Church, but rather meet them at the church door. In one Division the Guides and Rangers are having a very big Church Parade, and there is no room for the Brownies; they will have a service of their own, incidentally it gives the preacher a very difficult task if the Brownies are there as well. All the Brownies are going to a hall near the church with four competent Owls in charge (while the other Owls will go to the Service with the Guides). These Owls will tell stories and take quiet games for about forty minutes. Then the Brownies will have a service of their own for twenty to thirty minutes. After the Guides have marched past, the Brownies will trot past in Sixes driven by their Sixer. It seems a good arrangement, as they will join in Guide Sunday, and yet have their own suitable service.

#### "LA PLUME."

"LA PLUME," the monthly periodical for the *Petites Ailes*, the Brownies belonging to the *Fédération Française des Eclaireuses*, made its first appearance on January 1st. As far as I know it is the only paper specially for Brownies that has as yet been published. The *Petites Ailes* are to be congratulated on having such an attractive paper of their own—it promises to be a great success. The illustrations, of which there are many, are fascinating and add tremendously to the charm of the paper which contains short stories and a serial, news of the *Petites Ailes*, riddles, poems, etc.

Some of our Brownies might like to take in "La Plume" monthly and improve their French. Below are particulars as to how and where it can be obtained.

#### Abonnement partant ou 1er Janvier.

Un an (dix numéros) France, 5fr.; Etranger, 7fr.—  
Secretariat des Eclaireuses, 10, rue de Sevigne, Paris.  
Cheque postal 424-48. Rédaction: Mlle. Sainte Claire Deville, 73, av. de Breteuil, Paris XV.

We now have the names of several Brownies who would like to write a letter to "La Plume"—no more need apply in the meantime.

P. M. B. THOMSON,  
Great Brown Owl.

### Pack Outings

A BROWNIE's idea of an outing is something like this:—

1. To have money to spend.
2. To spend it on lemonade, sweets, ices and presents for the family.
3. To eat as much as possible.
4. To go home late.

If to this can be added roundabouts, a band, some kind of entertainment, prizes and a charabanc ride both ways, paradise can have little left to offer, only in paradise you would not need to stop.

Brown Owl's idea of an outing is something like this:—

1. To carry through all arrangements without accident or awkwardness.
2. To find at the appointed place, fine weather, drinking water and sanitation.
3. To show the Brownies as much as possible of the out-of-door life of which they understand so little.
4. To bring everybody home intact.



## THE GUIDER

We do manage to reconcile the two ideas, but not without trying experiences. Perhaps it is because we try to do too much at once. It is better to begin by taking the pack out in Sixes. In the small group it is easier to teach people the rudiments of going about as Brownies . . . that each person carries what she needs, a handkerchief, pencil, paper and string, food if wanted and not too much of it, a mug and the journey money; that each as far as possible pays her own fares (this can't be done with twenty at a railway station, but it can be done with five or six in a bus); that going out with Brown Owl is not an excuse for asking mother for money to spend on sweets; that a pack does not follow the ice cream man as though he were the Pied Piper; that we don't block the pavement or scramble for buses, and that no Brownie gets lost because she is much too sensible to do so. The only real danger of a Brownie getting lost is in a crowd, and the plan of going in small groups even when taking the whole pack, lessens the risk considerably. It is far easier to travel with Brownies than anyone imagines, because everyone else is generally so nice. In fact Brown Owl's chief difficulty is with kindly members of the public (usually old gentlemen) who want to give the Brownies pennies or to pay for their tea.

Small expeditions with a few Brownies need far less preparation, and give many more opportunities for the things we want to share and inculcate. It is always helpful to have an object for the outing, but it is the actual coming and going that is of value in training the pack to look after themselves, and to be observant and alert. Then when the time comes for the big outing to the country, most of the pack will have some idea of the game, and if Brown Owl takes reasonable precautions she need not worry unduly. No one would start out with Brownies without first aid and mending materials, not to mention soap and a towel. Most Owls take at least one extra uniform with vest and knickers for the Brownie who falls in the pond. Minor accidents are sure to occur, hat elastic will break, brooches and hairslides will be left on the field, but none of these things really matters. If time is allowed for a general tidy up and mend before returning, the pack's appearance will not be hopelessly disreputable on the homeward journey, and anyway no one can have adventure without paying for it.

One thing to be avoided is overtiring the pack. Rest hour, with a tin of boiled sweets and a story book read aloud, is an important part of a whole day's outing. It solves the sweet problem if Brown Owl says, "I'm taking enough for everybody," and if this is done the pack is not so likely to ask for shops, and to retain a poor opinion of the country when they are lacking. There are only two solutions to the money difficulty. One is to say definitely that there is nowhere to spend it, and if this is the case none need be brought except for the journey. It is possible to reach this understanding beforehand. The other is to allow time in which to buy presents to take home, and if possible to mark down two or three suitable shops. The patience of shopkeepers with Brownies is marvellous. They will take down

their whole stock of ties for Father, and advise on china ornaments as though Mother were their dearest friend. And if any Brownie buys rock for her family and the temptation to eat it first is likely to be too great, Brown Owl is at hand with a case into which perishable or breakable presents may be transferred for safety, without loss of dignity or the ruin of uniform pockets.

When we have at length reached the out-of-door world with our Brownies the last thing that is necessary is to amuse them all the time. Brown Owl may have a programme up her sleeve especially for wet weather, and it is reasonable to say that races will take place before tea, or that people who would like to visit the farm must go at a certain time when they will be welcome, but for the most part it is better to leave the children free to wander within certain bounds and discover life for themselves. The town child seldom goes far alone and never into thick undergrowth. The first sight of a cow or a horse will send them rushing for a grown-up. When the whole place has been explored and the delights of the hayfield or the woodstack made their own, then hide-and-seek or races may be welcome for a time, before the walk to the village or the signal for tea. To paddle down a brook, to climb a hill, to discover a winding path or a little bridge, is going to lead to more real delight in the countryside than a competition to collect leaves or wild flowers. At the same time, to be allowed to pick moon daisies and buttercups is one of the greatest joys imaginable, and "What's this, Brown Owl?" is the most frequent question of the afternoon.

Finally, a week later, when the pack with much labour is writing letters of thanks to its hostess, Brown Owl discovers what the country has come to mean to people who naturally prefer a town. "I liked your house," wrote one Brownie to the Commissioner who had invited the pack to play in a large park. "The calf was nice," admitted another child, whose fear of animals had given way at the sight of the baby thing lying on the straw. "The country has prickles," stated a third, "but I'd like to go back." And when at last Brown Owl is able to take some of them for a pack holiday, there is a real opportunity to show them what they are missing and to bring them to a true appreciation of the out-of-doors.

R. F. H.



Photo]

We're off!

[A. Comber.





## This Ranger Job of Ours

AS OTHERS SEE US.

IT is extraordinarily interesting to notice how different people meet—and accept or refuse—adverse criticism. Some people resent it and seem to think that the only way of dealing with it is to try to stifle it immediately. They deal with each critic as if he or she were an inconsequent or impatient heckler, who must certainly be silenced, and should preferably be squashed. Other people, if they do not exactly welcome it, at least consider it. They realise that there are three possibilities that must be taken into consideration: the criticism may be friendly; the criticism may be justified; and, as a result of the criticism, improvements may be made.

The criticisms themselves go into many categories. At the moment, and where our Ranger job is concerned, I want to divide them into two: those which cancel one another, and which, in consequence, we can ignore; and those to which I feel we must find an answer which will satisfy ourselves as well as the critics.

When, from different quarters, two utterly opposite charges are hurled at us—on the one hand that "Rangering seems to be attracting only the naturally good, who don't need it," and on the other that "Rangering is becoming nothing but amusement, and can, in consequence, attract only the frivolous type, leaving the more serious-minded girl unsatisfied," we can, I think, cancel the one against the other, and hope that each indictment may be considered as true only where an individual company is concerned.

There is, however, a charge being made against us at the moment which nothing cancels, and which we have got to consider in the interest of the Branch, and what matters even more, in the interest, each of us, of our own individual Rangers. The criticism is this: "You Ranger people are hunting around for things for your Rangers to learn and to do, with your eyes shut to the needs and possibilities absolutely at hand—you are, in fact, out of touch, or ignorant, or unthinking, where the needs of the moment are concerned." It is a sweeping criticism and we can only decide, each of us where our own company is concerned, how much truth there is in it, and then proceed to deal with it.

What are the conditions to-day which create what the critic in question calls "the needs of the moment?" You will each think of a different answer, probably, but here are four that spring to my mind:—

1. There was a time when a girl growing up could choose a job that would appeal to her. She would then spend a great part of her time doing congenial work, and in consequence, that part of her life would be filled with the satisfaction that comes when a task is done "for the joy of the working." With economic conditions as they

are, in spite of valiant efforts to prevent it, many of our Rangers are condemned to spend their working hours doing utterly uncongenial jobs because there is no other opening for them. I don't say that they don't do their jobs well. I know that you can put your back into your job, even if your heart isn't in it, and I know, too, that many Rangers are doing uncongenial jobs to the best of their ability, just because they are Rangers, but the fact remains that they are square pegs in round holes.

2. The second point I want to take is this: As machinery is used more and more, working hours are becoming shorter, and hours of leisure longer, and this quite apart from the question of unwanted leisure through unemployment that many of our Rangers are experiencing.

The same need is created by both of these conditions. Because of the mechanical, and sometimes uncongenial, nature of the work they are doing, and because of the increasing hours of leisure, the Rangers of the moment badly need something that will use their creative powers, that will bring colour into their lives, and above all, something in which they will find the satisfaction that comes from doing anything really worth while, which they are not getting at present in their lives.

3. Then the third point: from the moment they go to school, probably even before that, the lives of the girls are full of competition—competition to get to the top of their forms, to win scholarships, to get jobs. It is inevitable it seems, and not only in her own interest, but often for the sake of people who are dependent on her, the Ranger has to do all she can to get the best that offers in the way of education, and later on the best job that is going. But these things can only be got at the expense of other people. Someone else has to do without that scholarship and without that good job, because she has got it. I am not thinking of the hardships of the unsuccessful person for the moment, but of the effect of the struggle on all the competitors when each girl is playing for her own hand. To counteract this, we have in our Ranger companies, I think, an opportunity such as no one else has—the opportunity of creating for the Rangers, for the time being, conditions in which no one is achieving success at the expense of anybody else, and in which effort is crowned, not by a prize snatched from another, but by the satisfaction of reaching a standard. Even more important is the fact that, in what a Yorkshire girl called the other day, "a real right Ranger company," one learns almost unconsciously to look at every question from the other man's point of view, and that surely is bound to be an antidote to the selfish attitude of mind that the competition of life to-day develops.

4. The last point is this: the present generation of girls has grown up at a time when pleasure and amusement, and lots of both, are demanded by all young things as their right. Some of us are very hard on this attitude, sometimes, I think, because we are not fair-minded enough to admit that while we, too, want our share of pleasure and amusement, the terms mean something different to us from what they do to our Rangers. However that may be, and however much we deplore the worthless and positively bad forms of amusement in vogue, we must admit that there is a tremendous need of happiness to-day. So many of the girls we come in contact with are bored and introspective, and lots who have become dependent on the type of pleasure for which one has to pay in hard cash, are suddenly cut off from it by the economic crisis, which has



affected them and their people. It is up to us to help to fill that gap worthily before they fill it, despairingly, in some very unsatisfactory fashion.

For the time being, I am looking at this question of "needs of the moment" only as it affects the Rangers themselves. There is a great deal that could be said about how the Ranger companies can help to meet the present needs of the community, but that must wait.

We shall probably all find different needs, over and above these that I have talked about, in our own companies, and we shall meet them as best we can in our own ways, but don't you think there are three points we ought to keep in our minds? Don't we want to consider with every individual exactly what she needs if she is to have a well-balanced mind and a sane outlook? Don't we want to have, in the life of each individual Ranger, in every Ranger company, and spreading out from every company, the right sort of happiness, and friendliness? Finally, don't we want to take a long view all the time, and aim always at what is going to stand the Ranger in good stead, and make her independent and able to cope with the difficulties she will come up against long after she has left the company? An ex-Ranger put it like this the other day: "I am sure you know how much we all enjoyed Rangering, but I often wonder if you have any idea of how many things we have decided differently since we left the company, not because of anything definite any Guider ever said, but just because of the point of view we unconsciously acquired through Guiding."

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*Commissioner for Rangers.*

## A Stepping Stone between the Guide and Ranger Company

### THE EXPLORERS.

In some places, more especially, perhaps, in country towns, the girl of fourteen who has started earning in factory or shop, presents a serious problem to the Guide captain. She is probably a leader in the company, but is released too late from work to be punctual or in uniform at the Guide meeting, which often begins at 6 o'clock or earlier. She cannot therefore carry out the duties of a leader, or set an example in punctuality or appearance. Her mind has probably reached the stage when she is keen to absorb knowledge, though her outlook is not yet that of the Ranger. But the grandeur and "grown-up-ness" of being a breadwinner make her lose interest in the company and consider it childish, just at the moment when the Guide Law and ideals would help her to appraise more justly her new and exciting life.

For such, a solution has been found by the formation of an "Explorer's" patrol.

The patrol is composed of girls from 14 to 16 years old, who continue to work for their First Class test; but they have also the definite aim of being of service to the company. The Explorers come to the meeting direct from work, out of uniform, as soon as they are free, and join in games and general company activities; but when test work is in progress, they either help with the younger Guides, or work by themselves for their own badges. As their time is short, it is usually arranged that they go for an extra hour's coaching, in the week, to their captain or lieutenant. Should the Ranger company meet immediately after the Guides (as is so often the case), Explorers stay on for the first part of the meeting, which will give

them the ceremonial, and probably some exercise. Thus they become friendly with the Rangers, making the move-up easy and natural when the time comes.

The name "Explorers" seemed appropriate, because it typified the stage reached by the girls, in their first incursion into grown-up life; secondly because the First Class test, their immediate aim, is a series of explorations and adventures; thirdly because it gave them a tradition and a hero. For, psychologically, girls of 14 are hero-worshippers, and it is more worth while for them to find out about, and study, the stories of world-explorers, like Columbus, Scott, and Shackleton, or pioneers of science like Darwin, Pasteur and Lister, than to worship at the shrine of film-actors, or pursue cricketers for their autographs.

The scheme will only succeed if the Guider is tactful in her presentation of it, in the beginning. It should not be pressed, but suggested as a privilege, and an honour, so that the girl may feel proud to give up her leadership, thereby enabling the younger Guides to show their worth. When the plan has been accepted, a high standard of individual work and of service to the company should be expected, and the natural idealism of the 14 year-old will most surely respond.

## Games

### TEAM ANIMALS.

Each patrol has a large sheet of brown paper which is fixed to the wall facing the patrol file. They decide upon an animal to draw, number, and each Guide runs up in turns and draws her bit. (Cat: head, body, ears, whiskers, tail, mouth, eyes, nose.) The drawing which gets the most votes at the end, wins the game.

### WHICH WAS IT? (*Nature game.*)

Guides face inwards in a close circle and six or eight leaves are passed round in turn so that they feel them with their hand behind them without looking at them. When they have been round in the same order three times, each Guide makes a list from memory of what she guesses them to be, in the correct order in which they were passed.

### PONY SHOW: (*Knotting game.*)

Guides divide into pairs, each pair having a pony and driver. An emergency is described in which a certain knot would be useful, and as soon as they have decided which to use, the driver ties a piece of cord to each of the pony's arms. The knots are inspected, and those correctly used are passed, and the driver is allowed to drive her pony round the "ring."

### SKIPPING RELAY.

The patrols stand in file, each with a length of cord or skipping rope. At the whistle each Guide has to skip the length of the room and back using a different step from any other in the team. If a "non-progressive" step is used, three long paces may be taken in between each pause to skip.





## Guiding as an Out-Door Game at School

**T**HIS year, when we are celebrating the 21st birthday of Guiding, schools may be interested in a prehistoric account of school Guiding. I have before me as I write, the printed programme of what must have been one of the earliest school displays—I was going to say "Guide displays"—but the date is March, 1909, so it was before the days of official Guiding. The programme is headed, "Lingholt Sports, 1909. Scouts' Display—The Diamond Thief," and it continues:—

"The Night Hawk Patrol is trekking from Kimberley to Cape Town with a large diamond, and camp for the night after a long march.

The sentry is posted, and, overcome with fatigue, falls asleep.

The Wild Cat Patrol, hearing of the diamond, set out to entrap the Night Hawks and capture the diamond.

The manœuvre succeeds, and the Wild Cats disappear with the booty; but the Night Hawks ultimately track the thieves, and after a sharp fight recover the diamond, and the actual thief is shot by the defaulting sentry, who is thereby reprieved.

The display opens with a parade of all the Scouts and the singing of the patrol song, and closes with a salute.

The Cuckoo patrol on duty to keep the ground."

Rather a bloodthirsty affair and one feels sorry for the poor Cuckoo patrol whose part amongst such excitement is so very prosaic, but, I suppose, being Cuckoos, they could expect no better.

These girls were duly registered as a Scout troop. When they applied for registration at Scout Headquarters, they signed their initials only, so the authorities were under the impression that they were boys. One of the original members writes: "I doubt if any present day patrols had the fun we did . . . all that raiding of each others' goods, what a thrill it added to life, coming round a corner carelessly into an enemy patrol and being relieved of all one's accessories."

The company had "thrill" in their Guiding even in 1916, when I first got to know them. By that time they had regretfully ceased to be Wild Cats and Night Hawks or even Cuckoos and were instead, Heather and Gorse and Bracken. Even more regretfully they had accepted Guiders—in the early days they had run themselves, but they still usually called themselves Scouts. On Guide nights the patrols were allowed to cook their supper in the garden (supplemented from the school kitchen) and eat it in any part of the grounds they chose. Points were given for the

best decorated "table" and, when as Commissioner I used to visit them, I was invited to have supper at the one I considered most decorative. I well remember one meal, very well cooked, flowers on the "table" and charming painted menus, but as an oak was our canopy and the year was one when the little oak caterpillar was at its liveliest, there were drawbacks to the meal.

Whatever these early Guides may have lacked, they certainly kept Guiding an out-door game.

The Chief Scout, speaking at the Scout Council meeting in January last, said:—

"Where they saw any tendency on the part of a Scouter to get into a routine groove or to lapse into 'parlour' Scouting, they should urge upon him the fact that Scouting was neither cadet corps nor Sunday school work, but an out-door game, an educative recreation if they liked, but its essence was out-of-doors."

In our School Guiding we may well ponder these words and ask ourselves whether we can honestly say that our Guiding is always an out-door game. Too often it resolves itself into solid working for badges indoors and the thrill of Guiding out-of-doors is in danger of being lost. The difficulties of keeping to the Founder's ideas are great, but not always insuperable.

Amongst the principle difficulties are:—

First, lack of time. Possibly only an hour can be given to Guiding and that is not long enough to go far afield. The Guiders are probably busy members of the staff, unselfishly giving up some of their well-earned leisure to Guiding, and they have little spare time to plan programmes or think out new ways of doing things.

Secondly, suitable places for meeting out-of-doors may be hard to find. A school playing-field is not very romantic, but after all a playing field is as romantic as a school gym or class room.

Many schools have overcome these difficulties and it would be a great help if they would send me suggestions and ideas for this page, particularly accounts of out-door activities or ways of making Guiding unlike school. It may be said that first I acknowledge that time is a special problem, and then ask for something which will take time, but the Cadets or Patrol Leaders of a company might well make this a good turn to do for other companies, and write in the time usually spent passing tests.

We begin this month by a suggestion which has been tried in a school company.

### KNOT TYING.

The Guides in a certain school company, which was not very popular, complained that "they just sat about in corners and tied knots." They had large grounds round the school so they might have learned their knots on a knot track.

For this it is better that the "posts" should be out of sight of each other as then a track can be followed from one to the next, but where there is not much space this is not essential. At each post there should be someone—Guider or patrol leader who knows the knot. Each person can look after two posts if necessary. The posts are numbered and one Guide started at each, or if there are too many Guides for this, the things to be done at each post can be duplicated and two Guides sent to each post.

Post 1. One box (or two boxes) to be corded up.

Bow-line used.

Often a new use to the Guide.



Track to

Post 2. Here is a bundle of garden tools to be hung on a nail on a post. Knots: Clove hitch round tools, and reef for loop to hang them up. On next track there is the sign for "letter hidden." Letter says, "Note knot tied at next post."

Post 3. Toy boat with broken string tied to ring in boat with bow-line. Add longer bit of string. Knot: fisherman's.

Post 4. Bundle of logs to be dragged home. Timber hitch. On next track another letter hidden. "Notice whether your shoes are tied with a reef or granny knot."

Post 5. Bucket to let down into a well. Round turn and two half hitches.

Post 6. Trek cart to be dragged home. Harness made with sheepshank.

Post 7. Broken clothes line; only thinner cord to mend it. Sheetbend and clove hitch to post.

The knots can, of course, be varied to suit circumstances. The Guides were allowed two tries at each knot. They scored 2 if right the first time, 1 if they succeeded at a second attempt. They had to learn the knot before they could go on to the next post. They scored 2 for recognising knot on boat and 2 if shoes were correctly tied. Points were also given for the first finished. This was played out-of-doors at 4 p.m. in February.

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### A Camp Meteorological Board

**G**UIDES may be given a new interest and occupation in camp by the formation of a meteorological board. A patrol is appointed to the board for a few days or a week at a time; and the members of it divide themselves into two night observers, two day observers, a noon-tide recorder and two reporters.

During the evening the night observers note the omens for the morrow's weather. Early next morning the day observers also examine the signs for that day. The four then confer and write up a forecast for the next twenty-four hours based on their joint observation. The card is pinned on to the camp notice board before breakfast for the benefit of the company.

During the day the reporters observe carefully what the weather really is, the wind direction, visibility, state of sky, periods of rain, sunshine, fog, etc.; and at night they write on the back of the morning's card the actual weather which has prevailed. The card is then handed to the captain who, by comparing the forecasts and the reports can, at the end of the week, sum up the patrol's progress as weather prophets.

The noon observer's duty is to record the mid-day temperature on a piece of graph paper which is also pinned to the notice board. The different days' readings are joined by a line and the curve of this line is often most illuminating to the Guides. A thermometer hung in a shady spot is all that is required for the reading.

This suggestion, which can of course be organised as a patrol competition, has been carried out very successfully in camp, the increased accuracy in prophesying being quite remarkable, and the Guides seem thoroughly to enjoy the chance of being on a meteorological board.

C. F.

## Youth and Worship

*Part of an Address given at the Church of Scotland Congress.*

By MRS. DICKIE.

**A**T the outset I want to make it clear that I am speaking to you as the leaders of various week-night organisations among young women and girls. Does it then seem strange that we should be asked to consider such a subject as "Youth and Worship"?

It is true that although we may not in every case include a specified period of formal religious instruction, yet the whole purpose of our work is in a very real sense religious education. Whether our girls are always conscious of it or not, we are trying to surround them with a spiritual atmosphere in which everything they undertake is done simply and naturally for the glory of God. And if preparation is necessary for one who stands before rows of girls to teach a definite formal lesson, it is all the more urgent that we who are to teach by suggestion more than by precept, who are to be prepared to meet needs as they arise, must have a clear idea ourselves as to what the life of worship involves.

The first thing I want to say is this. Religion should be presented to our young people as an essential part of a normal, healthy, happy life. Nothing will alienate them so surely as the suggestion that here on the one hand is the ordinary jolly life of youth with its energy and joy and comradeship; on the other is the solemn duty of obedience and worship of God. It is no use showing a genial tolerance towards the pleasures of youth, all the time perhaps uncomfortably conscious of "the other side of life," to which it will be our duty to introduce them by and by. The truly religious life shows no break of this kind. Brother Lawrence could praise God as truly in his kitchen as at his prayers. The religious life is above all a unity, in which all the good, happy things have their proper place.

Now there are two conclusions that follow from this view of life: in the first place, religion should be treated in a quite natural way without undue fussiness or solemnity; secondly (and it is this I wish to stress), religion is not only a natural part, it is an *essential* part of life.

St. Augustine has a very illuminating thought. The Saints are sometimes rather perplexing: they say the most profound things in such a simple and childlike way that we almost pass them by without realising their significance. He says, "If I am not in Thee, then I am not at all." Think of that for a moment. All our interests and ideals, all our plans and activities have no reality apart from God. Unless we are constantly abiding in Him, our life has neither meaning nor reality. "If I am not in Thee, then I am not at all."

How are we to help our girls to find this reality? We must remember that they need education in the things of the spirit if they are to grow to their full stature. Our opportunity may come in many ways. Company prayers should never be thought of as merely "constituting" or "closing the meeting." It should be planned as a guide to the private prayer life of the girls. Simple guided meditation is often helpful, as is also the use for a time of a traditional prayer which has been explained phrase by phrase and afterwards learned "by heart" (which means so much more than by memory). Camp, with its constant daily experience of the Presence of God in Nature, and in fellowship and service, is possibly the greatest opportunity



for training in worship. Camp prayers should never come to be a matter of hastily choosing hymns and readings, but should call for weeks of patient and prayerful preparation. Then again, Guiders should be able to advise as to books for the early devotional reading. Many small inexpensive books are to be had. I want especially to recommend to you, with my own personal experience behind it, an excellent little book. It is not a book about prayer and it is not a collection of prayers. It is a guide to thinking one's own quiet thoughts and making one's own private prayers. It gets over the very real and honest difficulty

of many young people who, as one girl put it, "get down on their knees and then can't think what they ought to do next." This book is the fruit of a rich spiritual experience, but it is simple enough for a child to understand. It is called *Kyrie Eleison*, by Dr. H. J. Wotherpoon. (Blackwood. 1s. and 2s.)

It should be a simple step from prayer alone and in our company meetings to the prayer and worship of the Church. But in actual fact it is not so. There is to-day a sincere desire to find God in the beauty and peace of Nature and in the great Movements towards social well-being and international brotherhood. This is a good honest foundation on which to build, but we need something more if the House of our Soul is to be moulded and strengthened till it become a worthy Temple of the Holy Spirit. This discipline and power can only be found in the Church. The modern conception of Christ as the ideal of youth and manliness has made a strong appeal to the hearts and imaginations of those who have been crying out for such a Leader to whom to dedicate "the fullness of their might." Let us remember Christ's faithful attendance at the Synagogue, His deep desire for the worship of the Temple. "Thy way, O God, is in the sanctuary: who is so great a God as our God."

How are we to help our young people to find their fulfilment in the worship of the Church? It will certainly not be by compulsory attendance. There are two ways which come to my mind. Much depends on our own attitude. It is a simple fact that with the right type of leader, young people are all too ready to look at life through her eyes. Do they get the impression that we go to church because it is a thing all decent people do, but do that as a matter of fact, we find it rather a bore? Or do they feel in a quiet way that the services of the Church bring to us renewal of joy and courage, that for us "strength and beauty are in His sanctuary"?

We must recognise that it is difficult to appreciate what one does not understand. The reason why so many people are bored in church is simply that they do not take the trouble to understand what is taking place at the various points in the service, but sit passively without making any effort to identify themselves with what is being done either in word or thought. It is not the Minister who is to blame for this. The time for explanation is not during the

service itself. It is for those who undertake the care of the young people, working with the Minister, to prepare them to share actively in the Church's offering of praise or thanksgiving, of petition or intercession.

It is often a help if the leader will isolate one part of the service, and make it the theme of an evening's worship. Take for example, the prayer of Confession. It is not at first clear that this is a much-needed opportunity for us all. It is not natural that young people should be anxious to acknowledge Sunday after Sunday that "we have erred and strayed like lost sheep and there is no health in us." To many it seems rank hypocrisy. But if we talk it over together and see that this was part of Christ's plan for us—"forgive us our trespasses"; if we see "sin" as simply a trespassing against the law of Love, a falling short of even our own ideals; if we see that our need of forgiveness humbles us when we would be resentful of others; then we shall not only understand, but definitely welcome the opportunity for the prayer of Confession without which we are unworthy to approach unto God.

We might also help them to use the great moments of silence in the Church service. The silence which is only a dutiful trying to restrain the mind from worldly thoughts has

no meaning whatever for youth. The real ministry of silence comes to those who have prepared their hearts and minds. To this end, the frequent use in our company prayers of verses from the Book of Psalms, will store the mind with thoughts which will yield their fruit when they are recalled in the stillness of the Sanctuary.

To those Guiders who find their stock of prayers and themes for meditation limited, might I suggest a more faithful keeping of the Christian Year? Those who have this before them suffer no lack and it is perhaps the finest way in which we can co-operate in the Church's work. Those who wait with eager hearts through the days of Advent, who rejoice together on the birthday of the Christ Child, who follow humbly the steps of our Lord during Lent and share reverently the sad Vigil of Good Friday, who lift up their hearts in adoration on the glad Easter morning, they it is who receive to the full the blessing of the Holy Spirit which is the Pentecostal gift of the Church.

#### CHURCH WORK FOR ST. GEORGE'S CHAPEL, WINDSOR. BY GUIDES OF ST. MARY'S HOME COMPANY, GREAT MAPLESTEAD, HEDINGHAM DISTRICT, N. ESSEX DIVISION.

During the past few months the work of embroidering a super-frontal for the altar at St. George's Chapel, Windsor, has been done by Guides of the above Auxiliary company.

The design, which comprises raised bunches of grapes worked in gold, and leaves of beautifully shaded tones of red, brown and green, is worked on cloth of gold, with the word "Sanctus" appearing three times across the front in gold. The work which is now completed has been sent to its Royal destination.

Will Guiders and Guides visiting the Chapel please notice this piece of special work done by our sister Guides?

PAULINE ADAMS, District Commissioner.

#### SYCAMORES

*I meant to ask the happy things  
If they were sprouting leaves or wings,  
That day a sudden rainstorm shone  
Like silver on the paving stone.*

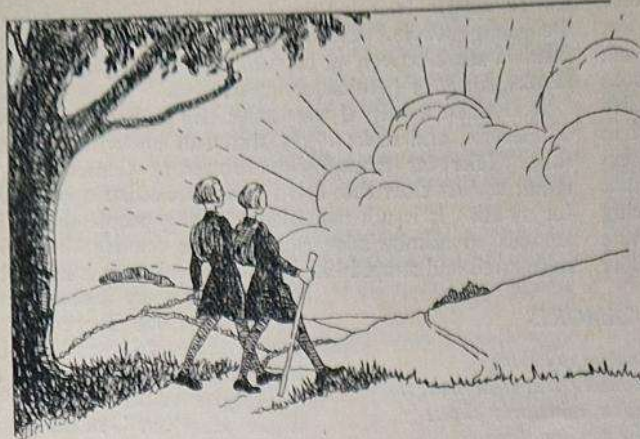
*The staid old trunks stood posing there  
As sombre as they ever were  
And yet the new green wings that day,  
I thought, would bear those trees away!*

*I stood and thought that it would be  
A gay, glad spectacle to see  
Old trees, with last year's balls still on,  
Take wing above the paving stone.*

*If all those countless, leaf-like things  
Which I was looking at were wings,  
What were a million winglets for  
If not to lift a sycamore?*

MARION STEWARD.





# HIKING AND LIGHTWEIGHT CAMPING

By A. M. MAYNARD

## III. FIRES AND HIKE MEALS

### WHERE TO COOK YOUR MEAL.

If there is any wind, choose a natural hollow in the land if possible, it is a better form of shelter than a rock to windward; there will be no back eddies, and a glowing hot bed of red coals without smoke, will be the result. Smoke is half burnt wood; wood too cold to burn right up. To make a good fire, or be really comfortable, one must understand air currents.

Look at a river, for water follows the same laws, watch the strong back eddies swirling round a log and you will know why your neck is cold at the back of the car, then see the dead calm as the result of enclosed or half-enclosed spaces. So, if you want to be warm, don't get behind a haystack in a south-wester (Fig. 1), but find a low protection on at least two sides (Fig. 2). We used to find a sheep feeding bin a perfect protection for a rest hour. Have you ever dropped into a calm when walking on the downs, or lain in the bottom of a boat at peace, when to raise your book was to have it blown out of your hand? Why more notice is not taken of these laws in a country where the prevailing wind comes from the same quarter as the afternoon sun, I have not found out. Sunk gardens, low enclosing walls, is all that is needed to enjoy calm and sun. For where the wind is horizontal or inclining upwards the sun shines down.

The next question is to get permission for fire lighting. If there is no one to ask, and you are discovered with a small fire, well protected, you will not get into much trouble, and a small smokeless fire does not attract attention! You don't get scorched cooking over it either. The Indian saying is, "White man heap fool make um big fire, can't get near. Indian fire little, get close, um good!"



Fig. 1.

### FIRE BUILDING.

There are three different types of fire building, just as there are three types of dwelling. The natural cave, the wigwam, and the cabin, and the rules are the same in each, which if once firmly grasped, you need not pray for your fire to catch, you will know that it will, whatever the weather, in-doors with coal, or out-of-doors with wood. The Golden Rule is, *Build strong walls to support a solid roof*, and put "Mr. Punk" inside.

Punk is the highly inflammable stuff; greasy paper, pine twigs, birch bark, etc., to which you put the match. Some people can never learn to lay a fire, they always leave large gaps in the roof, through which the flames pierce and are wasted, for the hottest part of the flame is the top; try it out with two matches. They are afraid of putting

the fire out by placing too much coal or wood on the top, but if the walls are strong enough to keep a draught underneath, nothing will put it out, look at any bonfire. If you are one of those



Fig. 2.

sort of people, stick to a wigwam, it is more fool-proof, as the wood is inevitably concentrated above. If your fire goes out, don't say, "The wood must be damp!" Build it again, and collect enough small dead twigs off the trees (if the ground is damp) to make a small birch broom and *thatch* your roof, gradually increasing the size of sticks. In a wind, build up the sides as well. Once lit, leave it alone; a little smoke issuing from the top is the sign all is well. Don't disperse the heat by poking it, fan it if necessary, and get big logs burning as soon as possible, for why keep stoking? (Fig. 4). Don't chop them either, just push them in as they burn, or in a hollow they may do this for you. There is plenty of work in camp without making more, except that chopping wood and stoking fires is fun for children. On a *sunny day* the fire always seems nearly out, and one is apt to over-stoke it, this is only a delusion—the heat is there. On a *wet day* hunt for dead birch, pine, or better still, gorse. Peel, split or fray the pieces (Fig. 5). Once well lit, damp wood does not matter.

On a *windy day* shelter it. Be sure there is nothing





Fig. 4. Self stoking fire

inflammable to windward, and never leave it unattended. In every kind of day, clear a space, or remove turf. It is not bad scouting to carry some old birch bark or candle ends with you, it is "Being Prepared." If the match goes out before your punk has caught, try lighting two matches together, after rubbing them in your hair. Crouch near your fire and make a cup of your hand to windward, then wait till the match is half burnt through and carefully transfer it to your fire.

One Indian guide I knew used to hold in his hand a bunch of fine twigs and light the match against these, which, when they had caught, he transferred to his fire.

#### FOREST FIRES.

Four times in my experience I have come across fires caused by "hikers" and in each case it was caused through clearing up. In one case, the site of their fire could not be found, but an hour after a very old valuable tree was ablaze; they had thrown a hot brick into its hollow!

Another time a seemingly dead-out log was thrown under a bush, two hours after, the wind got up, and the bush caught fire. Wood fires that look out, can be rekindled we know the following day, so all logs should be buried safely in earth, if there is no water, the ground examined for fine roots still hot, and if possible you should return to the site later on.



Open fire protection

#### COOKING FIRES.

Trench fires, hunter's fires, tin-can fires, plug-hole fires, and the simple open fire, all have their advocates and their special advantages, but for exposed places the trench fire is the best, the heat is concentrated, and therefore less fuel is required and less smoke produced; it makes an ideal fire for cooking dampers, but as there is less surface of the boiler exposed to the flames it may take longer to boil. This however can be overcome by digging deeper trench. This however can be overcome by digging deeper trench. The log the frying pan rests against (Fig. 7), can sometimes be found large enough for the cook to sit on, and the soil if light, can be removed in a circle big enough for the whole patrol to sit with their feet in the hollow, keeping warm while



Fig. 6.

the bacon, still frizzling, is transferred to their plates. A "fly" sheet should not cover the smoke, for rain will not put the fire out when covered with pots, but at night see that the fireplace is protected, and if your shoes are wet, leave them in the hole, and make up the fire with big logs.

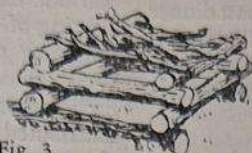
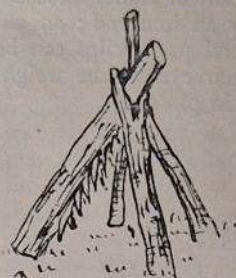


Fig. 3.

#### THE HUNTER'S FIRE.

This is a fire first supported by, and later built between, any stones or logs found in the vicinity, but not as I once saw in Ireland, between the roots of a tree! Beware of flint, it is apt to explode when hot, and tiny pieces may fly in your face.



Fuzz sticks

Fig. 5.

dinner on and to have in front of you on a winter's day; the top keeps the coffee hot, while dampers or apples can be roasted in front.

Sharp's Creamy Toffee tins (given away) are all that are needed for two people. Pack your food in them on the way there, and when finished with, batter and bury. Cut a feeding door one end, and a hole for the smoke the other, using old scissors, shears, or a tin opener; push the wood in as it burns, and when the top is hot, rub some grease on it till clean, then fry your eggs, etc., and transfer half the dinner to the lid for your friend (see Fig. 8).

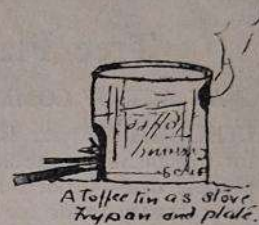


Fig. 8.

#### THE PLUG-HOLE FIRE.

This prehistoric oven consists of making a fire in a hole, putting the food in when the fire is burnt out, and closing it up. This is still done at many camps in America, but is scarcely a hiker's fire, as it takes a long time to prepare, and one hour of fire stoking uses up a great deal of chopped fuel; then there is the difficulty of the removal of same, and further preparation; but if you are spending your night on the sea-shore, the situation is quite different. Make your breakfast fire in a hollow of dry stones, then heap on the driftwood during breakfast,



Fig. 7.



and while you prepare your dinner; to do so wrap the meat in grease proof paper, wash the potatoes, etc., and put them all in an old tin basin with another as a lid; this is placed on the embers and the fire transferred to the top basin, the whole thing buried about eight inches deep. If basins are not available, bury the food in seaweed. It does not require great skill. The first time we made the experiment it poured with rain all the morning, but when the sun came out we sallied forth from our retreat, and met our cook returning triumphantly with a hot roast dinner for twelve, and no washing up afterwards! The basins were burnt clean! A deep violet. As before mentioned, soot is half burnt fuel, so burn it right off, when there is no solder, and it is clean!

The open fire may require some sort of crane, these can be made of green forked sticks, or an iron rod; an old stair rod does well, on which several paper clips can be made to slide up and down on their eyelets, the weight of the plate or billy keeping them in place.

## Tree Planting

### AN ACT OF COMMEMORATION.

**A**LTHOUGH the year is almost too far advanced for tree planting—the 8th of April being the last possible date—Guiders may well make plans and collect the necessary funds for a great planting week in the autumn to commemorate their Birthday Year. The Roads Beautifying Association should be consulted, as expert advice is essential.

The act of commemoration takes many gracious and satisfying forms, but it is not often that the choice is so wide and varied as it will be to those celebrating the Coming-of-Age of the Girl Guide Movement. Many original and attractive plans will already have been made, but those whose arrangements are not yet completed should remember that it is desirable, if possible, to leave some

permanent mark on the public mind as a result of their celebrations. In this sense tree planting offers scope for schemes, not only of great natural beauty, but of permanent and increasing good to others. In these days there are many stretches of road calling for adornment, but tree planting has had to be curtailed owing to the general necessity for economy on the part of local authorities.

Guides, therefore, might well consider following the patriotic example of Denbighshire, who, to celebrate their Coming-of-Age have planted an avenue of double pink flowering cherry trees on the road from Chester to the Welsh coast which had hitherto been bare and unadorned. Each company in the county gave a tree, and the Brownies contributed too, with the result that nearly a mile has been planted with trees which in the spring bear a profusion of deep pink flowers, and which will in a very few years transform the road into a shady highway for the increasing pleasure of travellers.

Those wishing to plant trees as part of their celebration, however, should get to work at once, for the planting season is over at the end of the first week in April, and from that date no trees should be put in until the following autumn—not that that is so long to wait after all. It must be remembered that no tree planting can be done on public roads without the consent of the County Council under whose jurisdiction the road lies. Expert advice must also be taken as to the type of tree to be planted—the surrounding scenery, soil conditions, exposure and root room all need consideration before the choice can be made. Holes of a sufficient width and depth have to be dug to take the trees, so that to enlist the help and co-operation of the County Council is very important.

It is possible that many County Associations would not be in a position to buy an avenue of great length, as the trees work out between 5/- and 6/6 each, but often there are smaller sites, when two roads meet for instance and an attractive corner is formed, or an island, which could be planted with a little group of flowering trees, and a bronze plate put up, telling passers-by who gave them. Denbighshire hit upon an attractive plan for collecting money for their trees; each company drew a large size picture of a cherry tree with the number of cherries on it that corresponded to the number of pennies required by each company to buy its own tree. As each Guide or Brownie gave her penny, a cherry was numbered, until the whole tree was purchased.

The Roads Beautifying Association will be only too pleased to give all the help and advice they can to those to whom tree planting appeals, as a way of paying living tribute to the Guide Movement. Mr. W. J. Bean, for many years Curator of Kew Gardens, is now on the staff of the Association and will give his expert advice free of charge, and the office will welcome any questions on the subject, hoping that counties and Guide Associations will become members of the Roads Beautifying Association under their special Guide scheme. Please address these to The Secretary, The Roads Beautifying Association, 34, Chandos House, Palmer Street, S.W.1, and she will do her best to help you.



*The Tree Planting Ceremony of the Guides of Denbighshire.*



# THE ART OF GOING WITHOUT IN CAMP

*Extract from a letter written by Miss Smith, Lieutenant 1st Wandleton Guides, to her friend, also a Guider.*

"... I can't think what has happened to our captain. She asked to see my stores and equipment lists (I'm Q.M.) and when I said that it was just the same as usual, she said that was exactly why she wanted to see it! Then she proceeded to cut out *dozens* of things—a lot of the packing cases and tins that I had ordered, as well as the planks I always get for tables; she said we weren't to have any of those heavy Army dixies, only light things the children could cope with, and, most heart-breaking of all, my bin for hot water, the joy of my quartermasterly heart, is not to come. But that is not nearly all yet! We're not going to hire the big ridge tent we usually have for stores, but I am to keep them in her small one-man tent; I know I shall get apoplexy bending over things and it'll never look so nice as when I had the things in packing cases all along the sides of the big ridge and which the visiting C. A. always gave us good marks for. Captain will have to square the C. A., that's all! When I asked her where she was going to sleep, she replied calmly that she was going to double up with me: I can't help wishing she did not snore so!

But the demented creature did not stop there even. She next got on to my personal luggage, and has forbidden me to bring:—

My camp-bed.

My table.

My chair.

My wash-stand and

My hot-water bottle (she's a cruel woman).

And as far as I can see I am to be reduced to the clothes I stand up in and anything else I can get into my bedding and ruc-sac. You know I like to take six clean overalls, a dozen ties and *lots* of woollies, as well as a pretty good supply of clean under-things, but all I got when I anxiously asked how I was to keep clean on what she was allowing me, was, 'It's all right, we'll have a washing-day in camp.' Don't be surprised if next time you hear from me I am dead—a martyr to this new light-camping bug my captain has got infected with."

While deeply sympathising with Miss Smith in the sudden changes forced upon her by a ruthless captain, still we can't help applauding the said captain's determination to break away from old habits and try a more adventurous style of camping. If we are really honest with ourselves, will we not admit that we have been (some of us) sacrificing more and more to personal comfort until we were in danger of becoming effete,

as against hardy and resourceful campers? Let us just glance through the things bewailed by poor Miss Smith.

The store tent first. Now store tents in our camps have been miracles of beauty, but at what a price, both in money and labour. A special big tent is hired (hire and carriage for a fortnight at least 25/-), endless packing cases and biscuit tins at 1/- each, all of these duly perched up on pegs until, as we have said, it does produce a lovely effect. So much so that it requires a reigning priestess to watch over it, endlessly arranging and re-arranging boxes, tins, and miscellaneous packages. The Q. M. never has time to play with the children, because, having achieved order in the tent, the rest of her time is spent cooking. Now theoretically this is done by the Cook Patrol, but Army dixies with their fiendish lids are not easy to cook with and are very heavy to lift, so that the cooks might more fittingly be called the scullions. They peel endless vegetables, carry water and wash up the pots. Yet they would love the fun of cooking if only they had light utensils, and better still, to my way of thinking, smaller numbers and do it in patrols.

The tables and benches and hot-water bins can all be classed as cumbersome luxuries, adding immense paraphernalia to be carted. Sitting on the ground for meals (however much old bones may ache) is much more fun and



*Photo.*

*The Real Thing.*

*[Agnes Martin.]*



camp-like, and a special bin for hot water is rapidly verging on the effete; a cold wash is very good for one and where there is bathing, hot water need never be resorted to except for dirty hands (and, of course, washing up).

There is one point in Miss Smith's letter to which we should like to draw attention; all the cutting down in personal luggage was for the Guiders only. How has it come about that Guiders allow themselves all these things which the Guides do not have? Surely the great principle of the Movement is that the Guiders identify themselves with the Guides as far as possible, but separate, highly-furnished tents, are very hard to reconcile with that principle.

Why have we let ourselves drift from the old pioneer idea of fending for ourselves? Other nations have not and get far more of the real spirit of adventure. Only light luggage which the campers can carry quite long distances is taken (as a French Guider, staggering under the weight of English luggage, remarked wonderingly and with veiled scorn: "I suppose, then, you English always camp by a road?") Of course we do—we could not get anywhere else with our mountainous equipment. And so they get a chance of camping in lovely wild sites; equipment is reduced to a minimum, everything extra being improvised, and great skill and ingenuity shown. Here, if a tent-pole breaks, our inclination is to wire to the Army & Navy Stores for help, whereas it is really quite a simple matter to cut down a dead tree (permission will nearly always be given for dead wood to be cut) and a new pole fashioned.

Then, like Miss Smith, we may wail that with only a ruc-sac full of luggage it is impossible to keep clean. (Here let us put in a plea to the powers-that-be for help. Our camp uniform does entail so many complicated bits, especially for Guiders, that we do start under a very heavy handicap where light-camping is concerned, and do we really look any the better for it?) But in the meantime we may ask ourselves how the children keep clean in a fortnight's camp on all they can bring in a kit bag, or don't they? Sometimes not perhaps, but if we ourselves camp under their conditions we can more readily see and help to overcome their difficulties. A weekly washing-day, scientifically carried out, is excellent training for the children, and by means of it we can prevent that unattractive habit of dirty clothes being stuffed into the kit-bag with all the clean ones.

If we are going to break away from this cumbersome, expensive, and it may even be (without our realising it) lazy camping, we shall need to be stern with ourselves, but when we consider the gains accruing to the children, we shall find it well worth while. Think what fun we could have planning with our companies a real pioneers' camp in some wild spot, where only what can be carried by the camper is taken, and the work, as it should be, all able to be done by the children. We may have to sacrifice the superlatively beautiful screening, ladders, and store tents heretofore the handiwork of Guiders, but where that happens it is not the children's camp. Ruc-sacs made in the company will take the place of suit-cases. Cut down the number of Guiders, if there are too many, and with careful training (which is what we ought to be giving) the Guides will be able to do everything themselves and be far happier in the doing of it.

(The writer of the above would like to acknowledge her great debt to the *Fédération Française des Eclaireuses* for all she has

learnt from them (though they might not think it) in the art of "going without," and the great Scout spirit shown by them of hardness and resourcefulness which gives such great enjoyment to their camping.)

V. M. SYNGE.

## Our Chalet

THE Opening of Our Chalet will take place on July 31st, and everyone who can find accommodation near by will be welcome.

It should be made clear that while it is hoped that Guiders and Guides will go for their camps, holidays, and visits to places within the British Isles this summer, Headquarters does not place Our Chalet under this heading, or those foreign camps or conferences abroad in which English Guiders or Guides are invited to take part.

The Swiss Pfadfinderinnen are planning a delightful ceremony to which they hope to invite the President of the Swiss Republic, representatives from the many Legations in Bern, and lots of other important people, because it is a very important occasion. The Chief Scout will open Our Chalet and the World Chief Guide will accept it from Mrs. Storrow, who has built it, on behalf of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts.

I was at Adelboden early in March and was amazed by the size of the Chalet now it is built. And it is so conveniently arranged and it fits so delightfully into the slope of the mountain. Had it not been for the fact that the wood was not yet burnt brown by the sun, but was a light yellow still, I should have been tempted to think that the Chalet had grown there ages ago and that only magic had prevented us from noticing it before.

After the 6th of August, the Chalet will be open to Guides and Rangers who want to stay there. The charges will be as follows:—

	Swiss Francs.
Hay Bag (Palliasse) in dormitory, using own bedding and food, and cooking out-doors...	.50 per day.
Hay Bag in dormitory, using own bedding (including food) ...	2.50 " "
Board & Lodging in room for seven, per head	3.50 " "
Ditto in room for two or three, " "	4.00 " "
Ditto in room for one, " "	5.00 " "
Wood for cooking out-doors " "	.20 " "

A small charge is made for the use of cooking utensils when these are provided.

A small daily charge is made for heating in the Chalet during the winter months.

Booking fee for a company—Swiss Frs. 20, and for one individual—Swiss Frs. 5.

British Guides wanting to go to Our Chalet will, of course, have to get the usual permission from British Headquarters to travel abroad in uniform.

Parties of Guides travelling together in uniform can get considerable reductions in railway fares.

Applications for full information about Our Chalet should be made to: *Fraulein Gertrud Mützenberg, Lindegg, Spiez, Switzerland.*

*Telegrams: INCHA. Telephone: SPIEZ 227.*

Guides who would like to give a small gift to Our Chalet can get a list of requirements by applying to: The Director of the World Bureau, 17, Buckingham Palace Road, London, S.W.1.

We feel that Our Chalet is opening a new era for the Guides and Girl Scouts of all countries and we hope that they will go there freely and that the whole Movement may profit from having its world home among the Alps.

KATHARINE FURSE,  
Director, World Bureau.



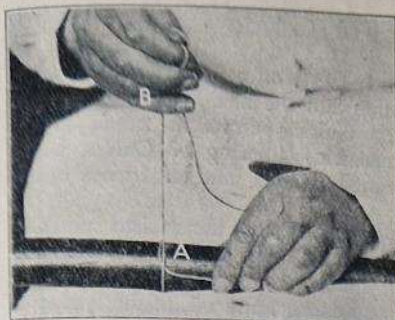


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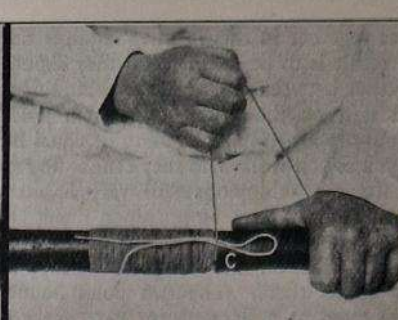


Fig. 3.

"WHIPPING" is more often than not termed "Binding," and possibly this is the reason why so few Guiders realise that similar binding to that round a hockey-stick constitutes the whipping of a rope's-end. Nowadays, rope is used more frequently with which to teach knotting to Guides, but our rope's-ends are more often frayed than whipped. Whipping can be put to all manner of uses in every day life, both in the house and the garden, while those who play stick-games will readily appreciate its use when it comes to re-binding a handle. To see whipping at its best, examine a split-cane fishing rod where whipping is used not only as a binding, but to support and strengthen, and this principle can be applied in other instances.

The actual whipping of a rope's-end is rather a "finicky" job, and plain binding round a pole is far easier. If you learn as here illustrated you will soon find it easy to whip anything. Your cord should be in a ball or wound round a stick, and it is a help if the pole is supported at one end so that the ball of cord can be passed round it easily. Lay the end of cord (A) along your pole where the whipping is to be made and hold this fast with your left hand.

Wind the cord (B) with your other hand, pulling upwards towards yourself at each turn. The end (A) will be covered by the turns. See Fig. 1 which shows the start. Care must be taken throughout to see that the cord lies hard against itself at each turn, gaps must be avoided, and must not be remedied afterwards by pushing the strands together because this only tends to slacken the tension.

## CAN YOU WHIP A ROPE'S END?

Fig. 2 shows the pole itself being rotated, which is possible in some cases, here note the position of the left thumb which is maintaining tension on the cord while the right hand carries the cord on round.

The pull on the cord must be firm and consistent, tension *must not* be relaxed or the whipping will fail when a strain is put upon it. Watch also that the cord does not overlap on itself on the underside of the pole as you work; this is a common fault, and the only remedy is to unwind it to the point where it first occurred.

It is the finish of whipping which will excite the admiration of your friends when the work is completed. Cut a ten-inch piece of cord (C) of the same thickness, bend it in half, and insert it beneath the whipping about two inches from the completion point as shown in Fig. 3. Continue to whip to the desired length, the loop-end of the cord (C) being still visible. Cut the whipping cord (B) with a foot to spare, run the end of this through the loop leaving plenty to spare hanging loose as in Fig. 4, care being taken to maintain tension with the thumb where the whipping ends. Then pull the inserted cord (C) as shown in Fig. 5.

Fig. 6 shows three uses for whipping, one rope's-end being left frayed for comparison. The binding of two

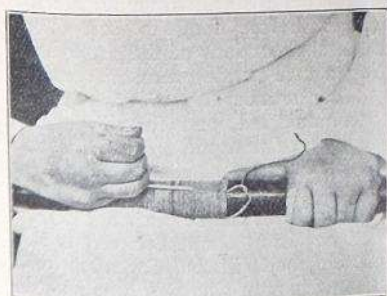


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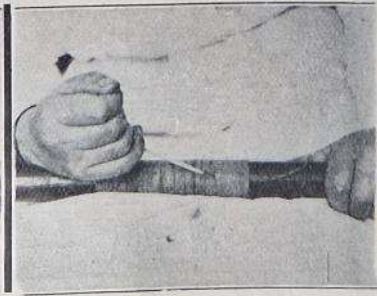


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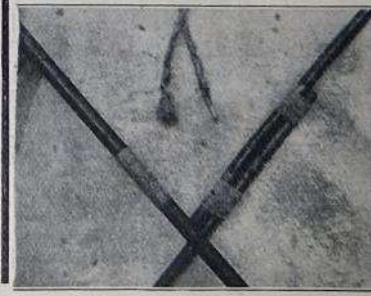


Fig. 6.



poles together in this manner requires rather more skill if the result is to be lasting, and they should be tied roughly together between where the two bindings are to be before you start on the work. The two poles should also be firmly supported on something of equal height at each side of you as you work, and they cannot be rotated. The length of the two whippings will vary in accordance with the amount of strain to be put upon them, and the size of the poles; if for use for any length of time a touch of glue or seccotine on the completed whippings will help to strengthen them. The two poles bound as shown have been used as a flagstaff for two weeks on end, the guy-lines being tied to the centre between the whippings. Many other uses for whipping will occur to the camper to whom it can be invaluable. In the case of a broken pole, whipping can be utilised either with or without a splint, and further breakage of a bad fracture can often be prevented by timely whipping. Brailing ropes and tent-bag ropes should always be whipped, and this can be done very satisfactorily with waxed thread bought from a boot shop. The final pull-through of the end when whipping rope-ends is the snag in this work, but again the result is worth the trouble.

One last reminder: always whip a rope towards its end, i.e. not from the end inwards.

MAC.

*The above article describes a most satisfactory method of whipping—but there are several others, i.e. West Country, American, etc., which will be found in one or other of the books mentioned in the following list:—*

*Knotting and Splicing. (1s. 6d.)*

*Camping and Woodcraft. (Kepart. 10s. 6d.)*

*Hints on Girl Guide Badges. (3s. 6d.)*

*The Girl Guide Knot Book. (1s.)*

*The Girl Guide Knot Chart. (3d.)*

*These books can all be obtained from Girl Guide Headquarters.*



*Dudsbury—A Permanent Camp for the Guides of Bournemouth.*

## Dudsbury Guide Camp

ON October 3rd, 1931, on a perfect summer's day, the Chief Guide laid the first foundation stone of the Dudsbury Guide permanent camp, in the presence of an enthusiastic gathering of Guides, and a large crowd of interested parents, and of friends of the Movement.

The stone-laying was preceded by the ancient custom of scattering on the foundations, corn, as the symbol of prosperity, salt, as the symbol of friendship, wine, as the symbol of happiness and energy, and oil, as the symbol of peace and goodwill.

The Chief Guide was then presented with Guide badges representing the various branches of the Movement, and these, with the current number of THE GUIDER, were buried under the foundation stone.

Dudsbury camp is on a height overlooking the river Stour, within four miles of Bournemouth and the sea. It is the site of a pre-Roman stronghold consisting of a four acre plateau surrounded by bracken-covered earthworks. To the south these earthworks crown a wooded bluff which slopes steeply to the river.

In exploring the ancient trackways Guides will be thrilled to find that, although the camp is so near to a big town (15 minutes by bus to Bournemouth), there is still a badger's earth on the bluff, and the woods abound in bird life.

The Camp House has been built within the earthworks. It consists of a one-storeyed building of modern design. There is a central hall, with log fireplace, kitchen with gas cooker, sink, boiler, etc., washing accommodation, hot and cold shower baths, and lavatories with flushing system. Gas and water are laid on from the main. The building has a flat roof for sleeping out or sun bathing. It is protected by a parapet, and is approached by an outside stairway with an iron grill that can be locked.

On January 23rd, 1932, four months after the stone-laying, the Camp House was opened. An informal house warming took place, when the building, designed to hold one hundred at the most, was packed to overflowing with nearly three hundred enthusiastic Guides and Guiders. The proceedings ended with a torchlight procession round the boundaries, and "lights out" as the Colours came down.

The site and building are now ready for use, and it is hoped that Guides from other counties will use the camp.

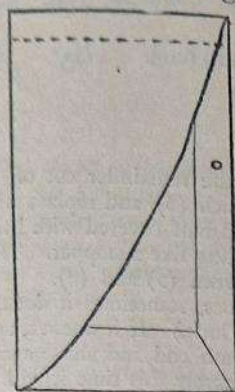
Dudsbury is a good centre, as Bournemouth, the New Forest and the Purbeck Hills are within reach. It is hoped before long to add to the natural attractions of the site by making a safe bathing pool in the river.

Any number up to thirty can be accommodated, and for this number the cost of transport would be reduced to a minimum as there would be no necessity for any screening, or marquee. Tents can be pitched if desired.

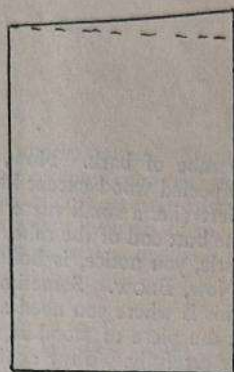
The Camp House Secretary is Miss D. Smythe, Willstead, Cavendish Road, Bournemouth, who will supply all details of charges on application.—M.C.J.



# How to Make your own Screening for a Single Cubicle



FRONT



SIDE

## MEASUREMENTS.

4 feet square.

Height at back: 6 feet.

Height at front: 6 feet 9 inches.

## MATERIALS.

This cubicle is made from material 36 in. wide, so that two widths of the material therefore makes the right height of the screening. Nine inches must be added to give the extra height in front.

Material that can be used is Government sheeting; the poles can be ordinary ash poles cut to the length required, with a nail at the end. (A piece of tape sewn on to the top of the runner, is twisted round the nail to prevent it slipping through.)

To make a really light-weight cubicle, which would be much handier for transport, the poles could be jointed bamboo, and the material rot-proof linenette; thin guy-lines, with aluminium slides, and tin or aluminium skewer pegs.

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Bamboo poles, 6 ft. 6 in., plain or jointed.

Wooden poles, 6 ft. and 6 ft. 9 in., plain or jointed.

Aluminium runners, curved or flat.

Aluminium pegs.

Tinned pegs, skewer or serrate pattern.

Guy line, strong hemp, in three qualities.

## DETAILS OF CONSTRUCTION.

Each pole goes through a runner, which is made by sewing on a strip of material 4 in. wide at the top of the screening, and left open at both ends. The door opening is at a front corner (not in the middle) and overlaps the side by 18 in., being fastened to it by a hook and ring.

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# THE PATH (F)

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## Something to Make

**B**Y April every company must surely be astir out-of-doors. For, sad to say, there are still some companies that hibernate in parish halls all winter, and only emerge out-of-doors as the weather grows warmer—and what a lot they miss! But by now even the hibernaters are awake, for out-of-doors things are happening in every wood and field: crowds of things for the people who want to see, for the people who want to know, and things, too, for the people who want to Make and Do. Sap is rising. The whistle season has come.

Anyone, even the newest recruit, can make a whistle; all you need is a sharp knife, a little care and a lot of luck, and even the newest recruit will have learnt something of Woodcraft before she has finished. First of all there is the wood to be found—sycamore is easiest to deal with, and it must be young growth, the branch of a sapling or the straight sturdy shoots springing from the stump of a tree cut down. Which Guide will first bring the news that the leaves are bursting? When the crumpled leaves are unfolding from the long pink bud-scales, the sap is up, and the wood is ready to use. Now is the moment to teach the Guides to cut so that the shape of the tree will be unspoiled, and to cut cleanly, and leave behind no unsightly torn bough.

For a whistle you will need a piece of sycamore about three inches long without side-shoots, and as thick as your finger. Decide which is to be the "mouth end" and cut away a small piece underneath (1 to 2 on diagram) so as to shape the whistle to the lips. On top, half an inch from the end make a small straight cut down (3) and a sloping cut to meet it. This gives you the characteristic whistle aperture. About three-quarters of an inch from the butt end, cut a line all round the whistle (4), *through the bark only*. You have now reached the really exciting moment when all your care is needed. Taking the butt-end in your left hand, and the "mouth" end in the other, screw them firmly in opposite directions, till you suddenly feel the bark give, and they part. If they prove obstinate, roll the whistle gently under the foot on a flat surface.

You should now have in your left hand the entire piece of wood with bark on three quarters of an inch of it. In your right you should have a hollow tube of bark. From the peeled wood cut off the end at (3); shave the top of this small piece, and replace it in

the tube of bark. Now, from the remainder cut off all the peeled wood except half an inch (5), and replace what is left (i.e. a small piece of wood half covered with bark) in the butt end of the tube, thus acting like a stopper. The whistle, you notice, is hollow between (5) and (3).

Now, **BLOW**. Sometimes it does, sometimes it doesn't. (This is where you need all your luck.) If it doesn't, take out the piece of wood at the mouth end and shave again, very carefully. Blow again and surely this time it will.

Now, which Guide will first discover how to alter the pitch of her note?

### ENTERPRISE.

Here is an account of the way a Ranger company set out on the path of discovery among birds:—

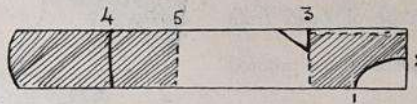
"What unexpected things grow out of little incidents! The company had never thought of owning field glasses, until we saw that flock of goldfinches.

It happened like this. We were having a week-end camp near home just to finish off the summer, and a friend, who is a woodcraft trainer, had taken us out on Sunday afternoon to look for anything interesting. It was a curious afternoon, a bad one certainly for seeing birds. For days it had been sunny and warm, true September days, but that afternoon was breathless with the stillness which comes before a storm. We looked at catkins on the alders, at various gorgeous berries, at tiny insects on the hazels, but somehow we had all hoped vaguely for something more spectacular and exciting. We had two pairs of field glasses with us but there had been practically no

chance to use them. Going through a rough field on our way home, someone spied a flock of "little brown birds" some way off. The glasses were at once in demand; someone said

they were not brown, they were yellow; a little quiet stalking and we were near enough to see very clearly. Everyone wanted the glasses at the same moment. Would the birds stay long enough for everyone to have a look? They were busy feeding on thistle heads and took little notice of us, so that before they disappeared over the hedge we had all had the chance to see something we had never seen before—that lovely patch of red round the beak and the bright yellow on the wing.

At the next company meeting we discussed it. We had no idea "little brown birds" were so beautiful. We should never have seen the beauty of the goldfinches without glasses, there were probably many others we were missing. Certainly we must have a pair of glasses which we could all use in turn. A friend lent us the money to buy them; (there we were very lucky; when our enthusiasm was high it would have been horrid to wait) and each week we all paid a contribution to the glasses' fund. It took us six months to pay off the loan, but for two years now the glasses have been out regularly for Sunday walks,





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and every hiker hopes to be able to borrow them. Through them we have seen yellowhammers, longtailed-tits, goldcrests, nuthatches, stonechats, and once a greater spotted-woodpecker. Not all the company are keen on them, but some of us would not be without them for the world.—R. BUCKLEY."



## Wild Flowers Month by Month

### APRIL.

**A**LTHOUGH the heathlands are still looking very bare and flowerless in April, there is one thing which grows on them that is now coming into flower, and is worth looking out for. This is the Bilberry, or as it is sometimes called, Whortleberry, or Huckleberry. It has a small roundish pink flower, with a very short stalk, and it grows in a very inconspicuous way near the leaves, so that at first you may have to look rather closely



Whortleberry.

before noticing it. The plant has quite woody stems, and grows to about eighteen inches to two feet in height, and in the autumn has very dark small berries. Where the plant is very plentiful these bilberries are sometimes picked to make into jam, but they are so small that it is not worth while gathering them if there are only a small number of plants about.

On heathy ground, also, you may now find the Dwarf, or Creeping Willow, which is known botanically as *Salix repens*. This is easily recognised as a Willow, but it never grows into a bush like the other common ones, and just trails along the ground, or over low-growing plants, and scarcely ever reaches a length of more than two or three feet. In the Scotch mountains there are several other kinds of dwarf willows, but these are very rare, and not easily reached, but the Creeping Willow occurs quite frequently over our heathlands.

There are few things to compare with an English wood in April, when the Primroses are at their best, and the

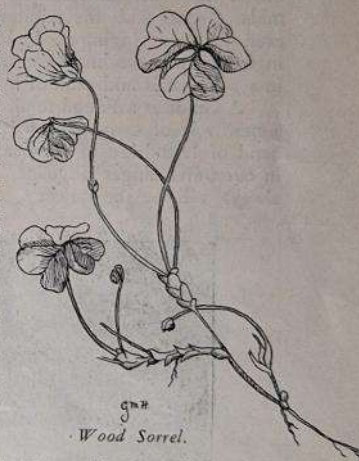
Bluebells are beginning to carpet the ground with their wonderful blue: and there are few flowers more exquisitely beautiful and delicate than the little Wood Sorrel—*Oxalis acetosella*. This has a white flower, not quite as big as that of a Wood Anemone, and each petal is marked with rather dark veins. Like the Anemone, it is useless to pick it, for it is so delicate that it will wither long before you can carry it home. Wood Sorrel has a trefoil leaf, like a clover—three heart-shaped divisions to make up the whole.

A dry bank or old wall in April will often show one or two very pretty little flowers, one of which is the Rue-leaved Saxifrage. This has a little rosette of bright green leaves spreading over the ground—or wall, from which rises the flower stalk for about six inches. Loosely clustered at and near the top of the stem are very pretty white flowers. The stem itself is often of a very attractive reddish hue.

On the same wall may be plants of the Ivy-leaved Toadflax, which has a mass of shiny green leaves shaped just like a miniature ivy leaf. These may run over the wall, rooting in between the crevices of the bricks, until quite a big expanse has been covered. The flowers are blue with a little tinge of yellow in them, and are the same shape as the common Yellow Toadflax, though much smaller.

Another small blue flower which is rather fond of dry banks to grow on is a kind of Forget-me-not, which for some reason is often called "Scorpion Grass"! This is a very minute plant, with a little cluster of leaves resting on the ground, and wee blue—bright blue—flowers close down amongst them. Although the whole plant is often not more than a couple of inches across, and perhaps not over half an inch high, it is unmistakeably a forget-me-not if looked at closely. Its scientific name is *Myosotis collina*.

SYLVIA HAINES.



Wood Sorrel.





# "EPHPHATHA"—THAT IS, "BE OPENED"

By A DEAF GUIDER.

THERE are so few who know our deaf and dumb language that when we meet any stranger whom, we find, knows it, and so can speak to us, we do indeed verily feel it is a miracle. There are in England, 40,000 deaf, or deaf and dumb people, whose lives are passed in eternal silence. The majority of the younger ones are now taught to lip-read, or understand (with varying success) what people say by watching the movements of the lips.

But first, let me try to make the readers of THE GUIDER visualise a little what true deafness means. Imagine yourself in a foreign country, unable to speak the language, and also, from some cause, unable ever to learn it thoroughly. You realise, however, that the people around you are able to learn your language, but that they will not trouble to do so; and so the truth is borne in upon you that whilst your whole life must be spent with them, you will be an exile in the widest sense of the word. Is it small wonder that blank despair comes upon you, cut off as you are from all social activities, concerts, lectures, wireless, meetings, or any ordinary form of religious help, and the door to most kinds of employment shut upon you? Your heart would grow hardened, and you would say that it was impossible to feel kindly towards such people. Yet this is much the same life as we deaf are living in your midst to-day, with the addition that music of any kind, even the sweet singing of the birds, is denied us. "Alone in the Silence, we know the utter loneliness and isolation in a way that is undreamt of by outsiders."

"A Guide is a Friend to all." Let me bring before you a new way of carrying out this Law, by holding out the hand of friendship to the deaf, by learning to talk to us in our own "finger language," the language which is, and always will be the quickest, surest and most convenient

method of communication for those who cannot hear the human voice. Are we deaf to be denied the right of communal life? I am positive none of you will ever regret the short time spent in learning the deaf and dumb alphabet. You will see by the illustration that it is only learning the twenty-six letters of the alphabet on the hand, and once mastered, it will never be forgotten. It is far easier than Morse, and minus any opposites which muddle some of us up so much!

I do especially urge this form of Service for all Rangers. There are many deaf Guides and Rangers, as well as a few deaf Guiders, and we are all missing some of the joy of our Guiding for lack of interpreters at Guide meetings, rallies, trainings, etc. Yet it is chiefly "out into the wider world" for which I plead. The ordinary deaf need real friendship in a far greater degree than those of us who are members of our beloved Association, as in Guiding we receive many compensations which are denied to the rest of the deaf community.

It is a splendid thing when anyone can make us understand their lips, and the greatest credit is due to the oral teachers for their wonderful success in this direction, but we can never be without our deaf and dumb language; in the dark, for instance, no one can follow the lips, and at any lectures, it is much too big a strain for any length of time. The British Deaf and Dumb Association at their recent conference at Leicester passed the following resolution, "That this conference affirms the indispensable need of finger-spelling to the deaf as a means of clear and accurate communication both in acquiring and practising the use of language, and is of opinion that its use should not be discouraged during their educational period. Finger-spelling is no more and no less than writing on the hand, and no teacher would prohibit writing." In addi-





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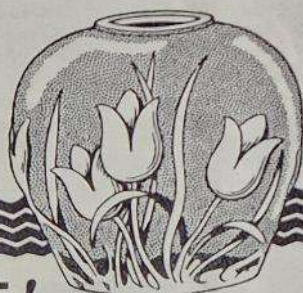
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tion to this, many deaf cannot be taught lip-reading; this is especially the case with the blind deaf.

The great thing that all deaf people want is encouragement and sympathetic understanding; even a friendly smile from some one helps us tremendously, and sends us on our way with renewed courage.

There are missions and societies for the deaf in most of our large cities and towns, and any Guider or Ranger who feels she would like to know more about the deaf will receive the warmest welcome at any of these institutes. She will find the deaf full of happiness and the joy of life when they are amongst those who sympathise with, and understand them; and they are overflowing with the fullest appreciation and gratitude to those who mingle with and help the deaf so splendidly. The addresses of such societies, as well as cards with the deaf and dumb alphabet on them, can be obtained from the Secretary for Deaf Guides, Mrs. Douglas Thompson, c/o Imperial Headquarters.

A hearing lady wrote to me thus: "Much of the happiness of my life has been due to my association with the deaf; and I want to urge that a more general use of the finger-spelling would be a decided step forward in the interests of the hearing and the non-hearing alike." Is it truly "doing our best to do our duty to help other people at all times" when such an urgent and important piece of Service for others is neglected? A few Guiders have learnt to finger-spell since coming into contact with the deaf Guides; and they have won the warmest love of the deaf, but there are still some who constantly mix with us in our Guiding, who have never made the slightest attempt

to speak to us in any way. I am sure this is from a feeling of shyness, but please do make an effort. Write down with paper and pencil until you know the finger-alphabet, or we can lip-read you, but do talk to us in some way, and you will soon find us responsive.

Few deaf can speak really naturally, and for that reason, we hesitate to take the initiative step from fear that we shall not make ourselves understood; and secondly, because we know we may break in when some one else is speaking. "Hush, so-and-so is talking," although an inevitable reply at times, makes us immediately draw back into our shell!

J. E. B. F.

### THOUGHTS FOR A GUIDE'S OWN

THE Guides of Colchester were very lucky to have Mrs. Fairweather, Assistant County Commissioner for Kent, recently to speak to them at their Guides' Own. Mrs. Fairweather based her address on the following rather curious text, taken from the Book of Proverbs. "There are three things that go very well, nay, there are four things, a greyhound, a he-goat, a lion and a king." She then went on to give a very helpful and interesting talk on those four headings, urging us to live our lives, first, like the greyhound who, when racing, fixes his eyes on the object he is striving to reach and gets there over all obstacles.

Quoting various methods of earning one's living, the honourable work of domestic service headed the list, showing how in every job we do, we should make it a better one, never being content with just scraping along, but always doing our best to improve.

"No one will ever lose by doing all they can to widen their minds." Religion is essential, we do not all belong to the same denomination, but we can stand up for what we believe to be right, and try everyday to make our lives more Christ-like, and so reach our goal.

Secondly, like the goat, who, from living on the mountains, is very sure-footed and able to leap over chasms and climb up slippery slopes, so can we avoid life's temptations and leap safely over pitfalls if we have religion and high principles to guide us.

Thirdly, like a lion for courage.

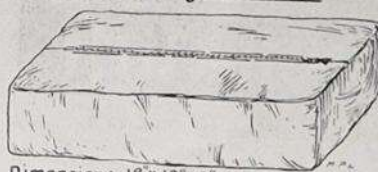
Physical courage is demonstrated to us by the Post Guides, with their cheeriness and pluck through great pain and infirmities. Then comes mental courage, so that we can deny ourselves and go without things we want, without making a fuss. Moral courage is the greatest of all and takes most out of us, because we have to take our stand for the right, while those around us may be doing wrong.

Fourthly, like a king, who rules over his Kingdom and his subjects; so must we rule ourselves and our thoughts and deeds or we shall not have a "prosperous kingdom," i.e. "a strong character." So that at the end, if we have done our best to be worthy of the Kingdom to which we belong, Body, Soul, and Spirit, we may hear the words: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

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# THE BOOKSHELF

*The Story of the Girl Guides.* By Rose Kerr. (Published by Headquarters. 3s. 6d.)

Here is a book we must all possess. We newcomers to Guiding, who at once found ourselves deftly inserted into our particular niche in a huge machine running full blast, have always wanted to know how the machine came into being at all. Who made it? Who started Guides? Here in Mrs. Kerr's book, is the answer.

She shows it, not a ready-made juvenile organisation concocted by grown-ups, with the children captured and fitted in, but a creature of natural growth; a strong young thing, insisting, demanding; growing all the time, out of its clothes, out of its house, out of its country.

She gives its origin in her account of the Boy Scout Movement and its Founder, so happily and affectionately described. The Scouts were very much in being in 1909; eleven thousand of them were at the Rally at the Crystal Palace when the Pinkney's Green girls (their name, even, has an impertinence about it), thrust themselves among them and marched past with the boys. There were no such things as Girl Scouts and yet—there they were. Very soon, though they had no registrar, they were registering themselves; the half dozen Pinkney's Greens in khaki shirts and wideawakes became hundreds then thousands of children clamouring to be Scouts. What shall we do? Where shall we go? What shall we wear?

What shall we wear, indeed! Some of Mrs. Kerr's extracts from the letters of "veterans" conjure up remarkable pictures. Lincoln green skirts with scarlet ties and tam-o'-shanters was one cheerful band, (there was a tendency to a dreadful combination of red and green, perhaps induced by the name of the pioneer company); pale blue muslin scarves struck a more feminine note; gold belts and important rows of braid; cloaks and long black boots; later on in war time, chin straps, haversacks, Sam-Brown belts, and always, whatever happened, a pole to carry. And the Guiders resplendent in dress of their own designing with a leaning, in the higher ranks, towards gold and white waistcoats, green brushes in hats and natty swagger canes. Small wonder we hear that they conformed to a uniform with some difficulty; and indeed, we of the later, duller date, can feel a certain melancholy that they ever did so. There would at all events be no monotony about a march past, and we should crowd to see a County Commissioners' Conference.

But though the impulse towards the Movement came from the children themselves, Mrs. Kerr's book shows the observant reader very clearly that it would have spent itself and ended, had it not been for the grown-up. With the self-effacement that she would have us believe is a commonplace of the Guide character, she herself drifts in and out of the book. "They," changes now and again to "we," that is all. But she and a few like her were working all the time untiringly; getting themselves trained; travelling the country, organising, talking to clergy, to school-mistresses, to public meetings; "enthusing" the same type of women as themselves, infecting all with the same spirit, friendly, rather casual, charming, idealistic, but not what we used to call "intense."

The official pamphlet told them "to get hold of the right kind of young lady," and being the right kind of young lady themselves, they did. They made the Movement to the children's order in a gorgeously successful muddle, the recognised British method; without them it could never have happened. Headquarters would still be of a size to be moved on two barrows lent by the charwoman's brother, which was how it made its entry into 25, Buckingham Palace Road. (Here, possibly, a sigh of regretful longing may be heard from the staff of Imperial Headquarters, with the recent move still in their minds.)

But Guiders will read this book for themselves; Mrs. Kerr has done her work so well, that they will read every word: they will get much amusement, much interest, and not a little satisfaction from it. It is comforting to some of us who have listened, perhaps rather enviously to the stories of the old days when Guiding was Guiding, when we did what we liked, wore what we liked, went where we liked, were Panthers and Leopards instead of Roses and Lilies—it is comforting to find that the more we change the more we remain the same. The present ideal does not seem to have departed one scrap from the ideal laid down by the Founder. If something went with the chin strap and swagger canes, something else has come instead. We hope Mrs. Kerr is taking notes for her book for the Jubilee and will let us contribute the absurdities and aspirations of 1932.

K. STREATFIELD.

*Sea Rangers.* (Published by Headquarters. 10d.)

It has been the fashion to say that it is difficult to run a Sea Ranger company. "What do Sea Rangers do," is often asked (in tones of doubt), as though they were a peculiar race, with habits that were not quite nice. No need to ask that question any longer. The modest sum of 10d. will give the prospective Guider (and the Commissioner, too) a very clear idea of the Sea Ranger company; its formation, its organisation, its activities, its badges, even its games, or let us say some of its games.

When a Movement grows, people have a mania for getting things "into line," and the Sea Ranger enrolment has now been "got into line" with the other Ranger enrolment—a fine thing in itself, certainly, but mixed up as it is now with the old Sea Guide enrolment, it makes rather a patched up affair. It has lost its romance, and also the rhythm of the words. However, that is a matter of opinion.

For the rest the little book is excellent. It tells how to make lanyard knots and plaits, how to teach "cargoes" which have been a problem to many; there is a very useful section on sea shanties, and perhaps the most delightful of all is the section on Naval Customs and their adaptation for Sea Ranger purposes.

An entirely new scheme is introduced in this book (with, of course, the approval and blessing of Headquarters), and that is the new Sea Guide scheme. Every Guider knows the difficulty in a company of young Guides, fed by a Brownie pack, of keeping as Guides, the girls of fourteen, when they first go out to work. The young wage earner feels "grown up" beside the school children of 11 and 12. A Sea Guide patrol may now be formed of girls from 14 to 16 and it may be attached to a Guide company, a Sea Ranger "Ship," or a Ranger company. Details of the scheme are given in this book.

This little blue handbook, with its breath of the sea, will be welcomed by those who live on the coast and in the sea-port towns, but perhaps it will be even more welcomed by those who, living in large inland towns, have the "call of the sea" in their blood. To them it will bring a touch of romance—romance that is not merely "make believe," for the Sea Ranger Ship, like the Ranger company, is built up on practical service, both at home and in the "wider world."

F. R.

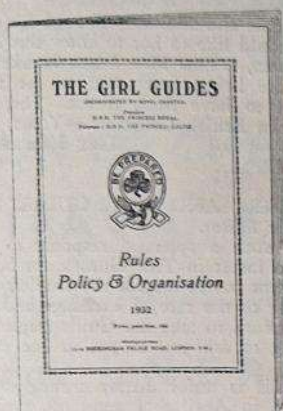
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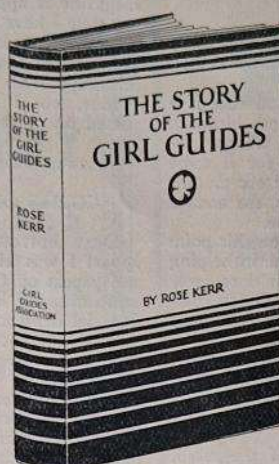
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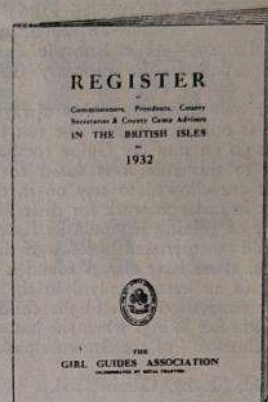
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THE BROWNIE FIRST CLASS TEST.

To the Editor,

DEAR EDITOR.—As a Brownie examiner, I was interested to read the article in the February *GUIDER* on the Brownie First Class test.

In our own Division it has always been understood that if a Brownie is not able to pass the test before her eleventh birthday, she must go on into the Guide company without her Wings. By adhering to this rule it is easier to be fair to all, for if some Brownies are allowed to stay on in the pack another six months or a year in order to work for their First Class badges, the honour and glory of gaining it would be lessened for everyone.

I should be interested to know if there is any rule on this point elsewhere, as we have always found it a satisfactory one in helping to maintain an even standard in the test, and also it does away with any temptation to hold the child back from the Guide company to win her Wings when she has already outgrown the "magic and imagination" of the Brownie pack.—Yours, etc.,

E. M. SCOTT,  
Brown Owl,

Fairfield, Scorby, Cumberland.

#### THE BROWNIE LAW.

To the Editor,

DEAR EDITOR.—It occurred to me, in the face of the recent tragedy of the murder of Vera Page, that other Brown Owls besides myself may not have considered the possibility of Brownies taking the Brownie Law of "A Brownie gives in to the older folk," to mean, literally, anyone older than themselves. This might have quite serious results. I know it is a possible interpretation from a child's point of view, as that was the idea one of my own recruits held, before I discovered it, and had a chance of explaining. The danger may be slight, but I thought you might like it brought to the notice of other Brown Owls.—Yours, etc.,

F. C.

Brown Owl, 7th Notting Hill, "The Quest."

#### WARNING.

To the Editor,

DEAR EDITOR.—Is it possible to issue a warning in the *GUIDER* against giving help to a man who calls, and asks for assistance to enable a Guide to get back to New Zealand?

He claims to be in charge of the children's ward at St. Bartholomew's Hospital and has an intimate knowledge of Kent and Surrey Commissioners' names. He gives the name of Brontë, and says he is a descendant of the authoress. Three Guiders in this neighbourhood have been sufficiently soft-hearted to believe the story. One of these thought matters over a little too late, and rang up to enquire from a friend the man mentioned at Croydon, only to find out that the whole story was fictitious.—Yours, etc.,

HILDA M. VINCENT,  
Division Commissioner, Bromley.

#### USED STAMPS.

To the Editor,

DEAR EDITOR.—I wonder whether some of your readers would do a very good turn by collecting used stamps of every description (British included), and sending them to the Secretary of the Queen's Hospital for Children, Hackney Road, Bethnal Green, E.2? "The Stamp Collectors' cot" in this Hospital is kept going largely through the sale of these stamps.

I enclose a leaflet about the Hospital, and should be so glad if some of your readers would help in this way. (When cutting the stamps from envelopes, care should be taken not to cut the perforations.)—Yours, etc.,

H. I. BENNETT,

Thurston, Hatfield Common.

# THE EDITOR'S POST BAG

## "THE GUIDE" IN CANADA.

To the Editor,

DEAR EDITOR.—While at Foxlease in 1925, I met a Guider whose name and address I have unfortunately forgotten, who was kind enough to offer to send me *THE GUIDE* regularly. This she has done most faithfully for nearly seven years and I have often wished to thank her for her kindness and tell her how much the magazine is appreciated.

Lately I have changed both name and address. Should this meet the eye of my kind friend, I should like to her to know that Miss Cameron, of Perdue, Saskatchewan, is now Mrs. Edgar Hawkes, of Shuswap, B.C. The papers are being forwarded to me from Perdue, but I should be glad to have them direct. They are passed on to the Lone Guiders in British Columbia.—Yours, etc.,

MARY HAWKES.

Shuswap, British Columbia, Canada.

## COPIES OF "THE GUIDER" AND "THE GUIDE."

To the Editor,

DEAR EDITOR.—I have had such a splendid response to the appeal I was kindly allowed to insert in *THE GUIDER* for books and papers on Guiding, to be sent out to me for the Guiders and companies out here, who, owing to the rate of exchange and the financial depression, could not afford to take the Guide magazines themselves, that I am venturing to ask you to put in one more letter from me.

Our time in Western Australia is unfortunately coming to an end, and we leave for England in April. I am most anxious that people here should still see *THE GUIDER* and *THE GUIDE* just the same after I have gone, as it means so much to them to be kept in touch with Guiding as a whole. I have written a good many personal letters to Guiders in England who send to me regularly, putting them in touch with Guiders here, and asking them to send direct in future. In this way, I think, every Guider in my Division will be all right. But there are more than enough copies for my Division, and so many other Guiders in other parts of Western Australia have told me how much they and their companies would like to see *THE GUIDER* and *THE GUIDE*. I should be so grateful if anyone seeing this letter who has been sending to me, if she has not had a personal letter from me, giving her an address, would continue to send regularly to the Commissioner for Publications: Mrs. Davis, c/o Western Australia Girl Guide Headquarters, No. 7, 1st Floor, Turf Club Buildings, Howard Street, Perth, Western Australia.

She has very kindly undertaken to distribute them to Guiders who with their companies would not otherwise see them.

I shall do my best, when I get home, to look up any Guiders or companies who have been so kind to us, and so interested in Guiding in Western Australia. The following address will always find me: c/o 4, De Walden Court, Eastbourne.—Yours, etc.,

(MRS.) IRENE K. DAWSON,

Division Commissioner for the S.W. of Western Australia.

## THE BROWNIE TOADSTOOL.

To the Editor,

DEAR EDITOR.—May I, through *THE GUIDER*, tell those who wrote to me for the Brownie Toadstool, that it was impossible to answer all their letters, and that it was accepted at once.—Yours, etc.,

OLIVE ROBERTSON.

47, Woodford Avenue, Ilford.

## "THE JUNGLE BOOK."

To the Editor,

DEAR EDITOR.—I should be glad if I may appeal through *THE GUIDER* for a second-hand copy of Kipling's *Jungle Book*, for a Wolf Cub pack which has been started by my Rangers.

The pack cannot afford to buy a new copy at 7s. 6d., so would be most grateful if anyone has a copy they would sell us cheaply.—Yours, etc.,

DOROTHY S. N. SHEPPARD,

Ranger Captain.

Badgeworth Manor, Cheltenham.



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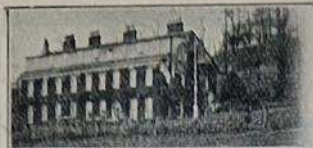
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## FOXLEASE

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### DATES.

April 8-16. Conference for Diploma'd Guiders and County Camp Advisers. (See separate paragraph for details.)

April 19-26. General Training. (Entries closed.)

May 2-6. Woodcraft.

May 13-20. General Training (Whitsun).

May 24-31. General Training (for Guiders age 35 and over).

June 6-11. General Training (Commissioners only).

June 14-21. Brownie Training.

No application will be taken for the following weeks until April 10th. County Secretaries may apply for special vacancies between April 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.

June 24-July 1. General Training.

July 5-12. General Training.

July 15-22. Ranger Training.

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### APPLICATIONS.

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.

## DIPLOMA'D GUIDERS' AND COUNTY CAMP ADVISERS' CONFERENCE.

Diploma'd Guiders.	Arrive Foxlease	April 8th.
	Leave	April 15th.
County Camp Advisers.	Arrive Foxlease	April 9th.
	Leave	April 16th.

REVISED charges for this week will be on the printed programme, which will be sent out in due course.

### CAMPING.

All applications for Camp Sites at Foxlease must be sent in through the Guider's District Camp Adviser. No camps of over 50 may be held.

### FOXLEASE COTTAGES.

The two cottages at Foxlease are to be let by the week to Guiders requiring a rest or a holiday. The larger one contains two double bedrooms and one single, a sitting-room furnished by Canada, a bathroom and a kitchen. The charge for the cottage is 3½ guineas per week.

The "Link," which is the bungalow furnished by America, contains three bedrooms, a sitting room, a bathroom and a kitchen. The charge for the "Link" is £2 2s. per week.

These charges include light and coal. Guiders cater and cook for themselves entirely. If they wish, Mrs. Craze, the gardener's wife,

is willing to board them at the rate of 28s. to 30s. per head, in addition to the above charges. A charge of 5s. deposit fee is made for booking to the cottages. Guiders wishing to bring their cars can garage them at Foxlease by arrangement, at a charge of 5s. per week, or 1s. per night. 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.

### PRESENTS.

Tray, Miss Pavey; Donation to H.Q. Building Fund, Ranger Week; Paper Basket, Miss Ward and Miss Nicholson.

## WADDOW

### DATES.

April 5-12. Ranger Guiders' Training.

April 15-19. General Training week-end.

April 22-29. General Training.

May 3-10. Extension Week.

May 13-17. General Training week-end (Whitsun).

May 20-27. Woodcraft Week.

May 31-June 7. General Training.

June 10-17. Brownie Training.

June 20-24. Commissioners' Training.

July 1-5. Ranger Guiders' Training.

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### APPLICATIONS.

Applications for a Training Course to be made to the Secretary, Waddow Hall, Clitheroe, Lancs, 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.

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### WADDOW FARM.

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### CAMP SITE.

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### PRESENTS.

Book Cover in Oak Case, H.R.H. The Princess Royal; Spruce Trees, Miss Dobson; Plants, Miss Brewster; Plants, Miss Colville; Donation H.Q. Fund, Training week-end, February, 19-23; Cherry Tree, Miss Bahlinger.





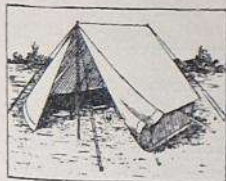
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## MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL

*Held on March 8th, 1932.*

PRESENT:—

Dame Helen Gwynne-Vaughan, G.B.E. (Chair.)

Mrs. Percy Birley.

Miss Bray.

Sir Percy Everett.

Miss Hanbury Williams.

Mrs. Houson Craufurd.

Miss Sharp.

The Hon. Mrs. Charles Tufton, O.B.E.

*By invitation:—*

The Viscountess Powerscourt.

It was decided that the County Commissioners' Conference be held on July 20th, the Executive Committee to meet on July 19th. The resignation of Mrs. Gaddum as Deputy Chief Commissioner was received with regret.

Miss Jacqueline Trotter was appointed to represent this Association on the League of Skilled Homecraft Committee, in the place of Lady Mildred Fitzgerald (resigned).

Miss Budding Hughes was appointed G.F.S. Diocesan Head for Bangor Division in the place of Mrs. Williams Ellis (resigned).

It was decided to send representatives to the Christian Social Council's Youth Conference at Surbiton, April 16th to 19th.

In connection with the recent revision of clause 2, Section I, Intelligence, of the Guide First Class test, a further amendment was made and the clause should now read:—

"Be able to use a compass and find the 16 points by the sun and stars."

The Committee undertook to furnish the library in "Our Chalet," Adelboden, as a gift from the Guides of Great Britain.

The date of the Annual Meeting of the Council, Tuesday, April 12th, at noon, was confirmed.

Reports from the Training and Camping and from the General Purposes Committees were considered.

Routine and financial business was transacted.

The date of the next meeting was fixed for Tuesday, April 12th, at 2.30 p.m.

## AWARDS

*Medal of Merit.*

Guide Eunice Joseph, 2nd Antigua, British West Indies.

"Rescue from drowning."

*Blue Cord Diploma.*

Miss Mair Jones, of South-East Lancashire.

*Eagle Owl Diplomas.*

Miss V. Kerr, of Norfolk.

Miss I. H. Watson, of London.

Miss P. E. Stevenson, of Edinburgh.

Miss M. G. Neilson, of Stirling.

*Gold Lanyards. (Applications received before abolition of this Award.)*

Miss Ball, Captain, 15th Sydenham.

Miss Bone, Captain, 3rd West Finchley.

Miss Craddock, Captain, 51A Croydon, and Lieutenant 13A Croydon.

Miss Fell, Captain, 114th Liverpool.

Miss Rosher, Lieutenant, 102nd Birmingham (Selly Oak Cadets).

*Gold Cords.*

Cadet Jill Bright, 3rd Bournemouth South.

Cadet Margaret Dixon, 5th Harrogate.

Cadet Marion Peirce, 3rd Bournemouth South.

Cadet Jean Piercey, 5th Harrogate.

Patrol Leader Kathleen Dimmock, 17th Sheffield.

Patrol Leader Winifred Poole, 10th Acton.

## Alterations to Rules

### RULE 30. BROWNIE BRANCH.

*Brownie Wings.*

The following phrase to be inserted in para. 4, under "Brownie Badges," page 30, after "... on being transferred to a Guide company":—

"provided she has passed the test before she is eleven years of age."

*Brownie Swimmer.*

The following amendment to be made to clause 4:—

Delete—"Be able to dive. . ."

Substitute—"Be able to do a standing dive. . ."

*Brownie Artist.*

The following to be inserted in clause 1, after "A Brownie must. . .":—

Know the primary colours and how to mix them to make secondary.

*Brownie Collector.*

The words "or outdoor treasures" to be added to para. 1, line 3, after "... crests."

*Brownie Needlework.*

The word "stork" in clause 2, to be amended to read "stem."

*Brownie Book Lover.*

A new badge to be instituted with the following syllabus:—

From the following lists read six books, and be able to tell the examiner about them:—

Any book written by Lewis Carroll, Mrs. Ewing, Mrs. Molesworth, Ethel Nesbitt, Marryat, Hugh Lofting and Cherry Kearton;

*or*

*The Jungle Book and Just So Stories (Kipling), The Little Duke (Charlotte Yonge), Winnie the Pooh and The House at Pooh Corner (A. A. Milne), Hans Andersen's Fairy Tales, The Princess and the Goblin and The Princess and Curdie (George MacDonald), Black Beauty (Sewell), Selections from The Golden Staircase (Louey Chisholm).*

*Brownie Writer.*

A new badge to be instituted, with the following syllabus:—

1. Write an original story.

2. Write a poem or playlet, or a description of a Brownie event.

*Brownie Toymaker.*

A new badge to be instituted, with the following syllabus:—

A Brownie must be able to make three of the following:—

(a) A toy made out of a stocking.

(b) A toy suitable for a small child or baby, or a scrap-book well arranged.

(c) A set of doll's furniture (not paper).

(d) Any other toy chosen by herself.

### RULE 36. GUIDE BADGES.

*Ambulance.*

The following phrase to be added to para. 4, line 2, after—"... convulsions":—

"and the general rules for the treatment of poison."

*Needlewoman.*

The final clause of this syllabus to be amended to read as follows:—

"... and demonstrate patching in cotton material, patterned print, and flannel or woven material, and darn a worn stocking or sock."



*Sportswoman.*

The design for this badge to be changed, the new design to be adapted from the Brownie Team-Player—a Netball.

In para. (a), line 2, the words "duck and rabbit" to be substituted for "elephant or teddy bear."

*Writer.*

Substitute the following for present test:—

1. Write one of the following:—
  - (a) A short story.
  - (b) Eight or more lines of verse.
  - (c) A dramatic sketch.
2. Write an essay on any subject chosen by the examiner; the essay should express the Guide's own personal thoughts or experience.
3. Write an account of an event in the life of her company, e.g. camp, hike, rally, etc.,  
or
4. Write a letter to a friend telling an interesting piece of news (which may be imaginary).

**RULE 38. RANGER BADGES.**  
*Book Lover.*

The name "Henry Thoreau" to be deleted from the first list of authors, and the following names added to the second list of authors:—

L. P. Jacks.  
E. V. Lucas.  
Katherine Mansfield.  
J. B. Priestley.  
Alice Meynell.  
W. H. Hudson.

*Finisher.*

Delete present clause 1, and substitute the following:—

"Show knowledge of correct folding of finished articles."

*Mariner.*

Under "Inland" companies, clause (e), the word "universal" to be amended to read "uniform."

*Probationer.*

The following new clause to be added to this syllabus, after—  
"Know the general rules for nursing measles. . .":—

"Know precautions necessary when dealing with a case of consumption at home."

*World Citizen.*

A new design to be adopted for this badge—a key between two hemispheres.

## HEADQUARTERS' NOTICES

### IMPERIAL HEADQUARTERS' SHOP, LONDON.

For the convenience of customers, the Headquarters' shop will remain open until 7 p.m. on Monday and Friday evenings, from April 1st to July 31st.

### BROADCASTING.

The Chief Guide will broadcast from the London Studio on Saturday, May 28th, at 10.45 a.m.

The B.B.C. has not found it possible to arrange that the Guide Service at St. Paul's Cathedral should be broadcast on that day.

### THE HEADQUARTERS' LIBRARY.

We have to announce that the Library is now open as a Lending Library to all members of the Movement.

Books cannot be sent out by post but may be returned by post. A Librarian will be on duty from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. to record the books borrowed and enter those returned.

No membership fee or deposit is asked, but should books be lost or defaced, a charge will be made to cover the loss or damage according to the value of the book. Books should not be kept longer than a fortnight.

Suggestions for books that Guiders would like to find on the library shelves will be very welcome.



*A Corner of the Library at Headquarters.*

## POSTER STAMPS.

### TO SEAL YOUR ENVELOPES.

Poster Stamps to commemorate our Twenty-First Birthday Year are now obtainable.

The design has a certain historic value, for it is the original drawing by the Chief Scout for the first edition of the handbook, *Girl Guiding*, published in 1918.

Stamps in books of 100, 60, or 20 can be obtained by Guiders only through their local Secretaries and not direct from Headquarters, except when sold over the counter in the Headquarters' Shops. The stamps are 1d. each. Guiders are advised to buy only those stamps that they feel sure they can sell to their Guides or Brownies.

Local Secretaries may obtain supplies of books of stamps from

Headquarters on sale or return. Stamps will only be issued during the months of April and May to Guiders in the British Isles, but for Overseas an extension of time will be given.

## GUIDERS' INDEMNITY POLICY.

The attention of Guiders is drawn to the Guiders' indemnity Policy, under which any warranted Guider can insure herself against any claims for compensation arising in respect of:—

- (1) Accident to Guides or Brownies in her charge.
- (2) Personal injury to any person caused by such Guide; or,
- (3) Damage to property caused by such Guide or Brownie.

- (4) Accidents must be proved to be due to the negligence of the Guider.

The policy runs from May 15th of each year. The premium is 1s. per 100 Guiders with a minimum of 2s. for any one insurance. Guiders are requested to insure if possible through their county rather than direct. Particulars may be obtained from the General Secretary, Girl Guide Headquarters, 17-19, Buckingham Palace Road, London, S.W.1.

We wish to bring to the notice of those Guiders who have insured under the above indemnity that the 1931-32 policy expires on May 15th, and that those wishing to re-insure for the year 1932-33 should do so without delay.

## ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE AND GUIDE CAMPS.

Members of the Brigade have again kindly offered their services in connection with the care of the health of Guiders in camp.

Particulars and application forms can be obtained from County Camp Advisers. It is essential that these forms be used, even when applying for any particular member. In the case of large camps, it is advisable to apply for two members.

## THE BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY AND GUIDE CAMPS.

The Society will be pleased to supply members to act as nurses in Guide camps. Guiders wishing to avail themselves of this offer, should write direct to the Headquarters of the Society, 14, Grosvenor Crescent, London, S.W.1.

It is essential that applications to either of the above should be made in good time, not less than six weeks before the camp, both as an act of courtesy, and in order to avoid disappointment.

## CAMP ADVISERS' RECORD BOOKS.

These are now in stock and are obtainable from Headquarters by all C.A.'s, price 1s., refills 6d.

Now that only single copies of the Camp Application Form are to be filled in, instead of three as hitherto, these books are designed to take the place of the extra copies of the Application Form which will no longer be available for the Home Commissioner and C.A. The Home C.A., before forwarding an application form to the Foreign C.A., will make any necessary notes in the loose leaf book which contains the necessary headings—one page for each camp.



The book is issued with 50 sheets, 35 with printed headings and the rest plain. Refills are obtainable in sets of 50 in the same proportion. The new Report Forms have been made to fit these books, they are also available in the same number and proportion.

The books are merely intended to be a labour saving device, their use is entirely optional.

#### THE BOOK OF RULES, 1932.

This should be in the hands of Commissioners and Guiders in charge of companies and packs during the first week of this month. Owing to the heavy corrections this year in connection with the badge tests' revision, delay in issuing the book has been unavoidable.

#### THE REGISTER OF COMMISSIONERS, 1932.

This is now published, and is obtainable from Headquarters by members of the Movement only. Copies have been issued in the usual way to County Secretaries. Price 1s.

#### FOREST AND WAYSIDE FIRES.

The Forestry Commissioners wish to make known to everyone the grave risks attendant on forest fires.

Owing to the prolonged drought this spring, the country side is in the more dangerously inflammable state.

Apart from fires originating through the emission of sparks from railway locomotives and steam-driven vehicles on roads, forest fires are usually caused by carelessness. People thoughtlessly throw away lighted matches, cigarettes, etc., which set fire to dry grass, heather, gorse and other herbage in the vicinity of plantations. Another frequent cause of outbreak is negligence on the part of tourists, picnic parties and others who light fires and fail to extinguish them; statistics show that approximately twenty-five per cent. of fires may originate in this way. Heather-burning for the renewal of growth on grouse moors often leads to trouble, and the non-removal of tops, branches and other debris from felled areas greatly increases the danger.

A leaflet dealing with the question of forest fires can be obtained free of charge on application to the Secretary, Forestry Commission, 9, Savile Row, London, W.1.

#### ENVELOPES FOR LONE AND POST GUIDE COMPANY LETTERS.

Headquarters are now stocking the "Bon-Tuk" envelopes in two sizes, as many enquiries have been received for a larger envelope.

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The envelopes will eventually only be stocked in one size, and Guiders are asked to write and say which is the more useful.

Headquarters have also been asked to supply linen or linen-bound envelopes for company letters. As the cost of these with patent flap would be very high it is suggested that Guiders whose letters are particularly bulky should bind the edges with music tape before despatching them. It is hoped that the use of a larger envelope may lessen this difficulty.

#### THE HEADQUARTERS' RESTAURANT.

The Restaurant at Imperial Headquarters is open to all Guiders and Guides and their friends.

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#### 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.

#### NOTICE.

Miss Ann Kindersley, who is taking Guide training in India for two years, asks us to bring this fact to the notice of Guiders, as she is still receiving letters from committees and districts asking her to speak at meetings, etc.

Miss Kindersley will not be back in England before June, 1933.

## CALLED TO HIGHER SERVICE

MARGARET MARIAN (MAY) CHAMBERLAYNE, Brown Owl of the 1st Goosey Pack, and late Brown Owl of 1st Stanford-in-the-Vale Pack, on February 26th.

#### THIS MONTH'S COVER.

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## Camp Advisers, 1932 LIST IV

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##### CORRECTION.

##### HAMPSHIRE.

For Oldham District—Miss Levenson, read Oldham District.

## Appointments and Resignations

Approved by the Executive Committee, March, 1932.

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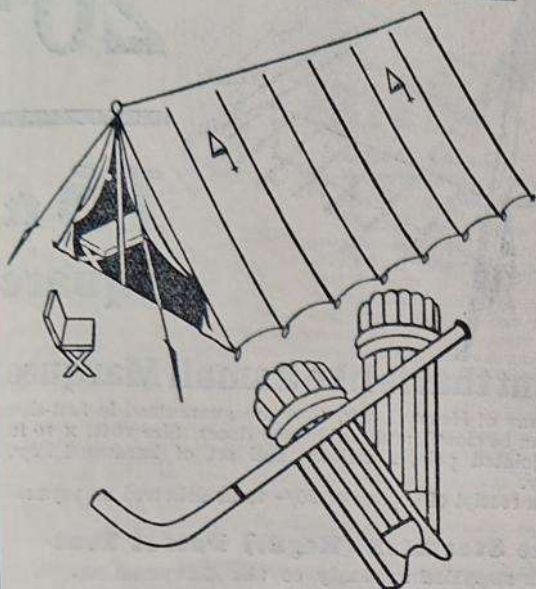
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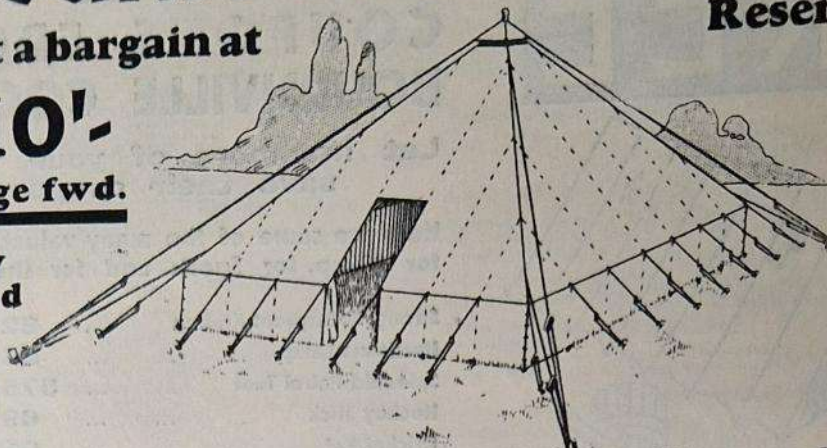
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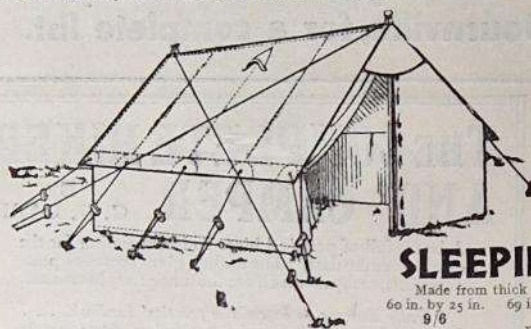
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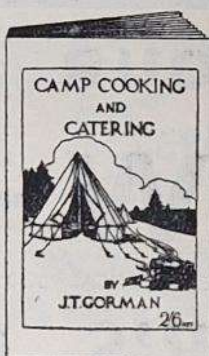
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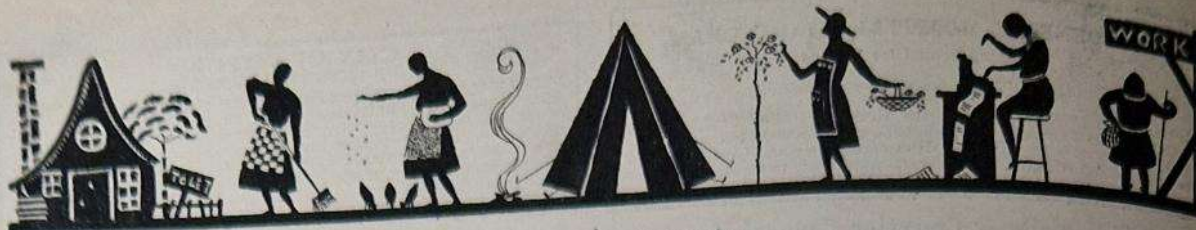
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