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MISS BADEN-POWELL'S LETTER.

JANUARY, 1916.

MY DEAR GUIDES,

It hardly seems as if a whole year can have flown since last I wished you all a Happy New Year. Events have moved so quickly and so sadly. But this time I really and truly do hope 1916 may prove to be a happier New Year to all of us.

I know how many of you are anxiously waiting for news of friends abroad, whilst some of you are plunged into deepest sorrow. We all have our brothers and our dear ones in the war, but we must remember that the more of them we give, the sooner will happiness dawn all over the world.

Now, at the opening of a New Year, we are fain to think seriously of how the old year has been spent; we cannot help wondering whether we have made the progress we ought to have made, though I have not any doubt that you Guides have been trying bravely to do your best.

Well, that year has been lived. It is over, and cannot be lived again. No, we have to make up our minds now to try to do better than that in the New Year. Some of the same difficulties will come to each of us again, but do not let our failures reappear in the record.

Let us all try to be cheerful robins who sing brightly all the coldest weather, and cheer sad people all the darkest winter days.

Who has not heard the merry note of the winter songster and felt glad? Many of you will know of a favourite robin whose carolling is a joy to hear.

Mr. Cock Robin is almost the only bird here who sings all the year round, even when branches are bare and dripping with mists. If he does not feel happy, he pretends he is. And then he flits round to his pet holly tree, where he is sure of a

feast, and snips off the luscious scarlet berries for his lunch.

One day, after a heavy snow-storm, however, my friend Cock Robin found that the snow hid everything, and he could get very little for dinner. Miserable with hunger and cold, the poor little fellow flew to the holly tree, now laden with snow. He searched and searched under the leaves, but never a berry could he find.

"How strange!" he thought; "not a single fruit where I had felt so certain of a glorious Christmas dinner."

Just then he noticed the gardener go off, shouldering a great bundle of holly branches which had been cut of the tree.

Cock Robin flew after the man and tried to pick at the berries, but they were carried into the house for decorations, and the door shut out the poor, hungry little bird, and no one seemed to care!

He ruffled up his feathers unhappily, and began a few melancholy pipes from a bush near the house, musing as to whether Humans were not in reality in-human.

But presently Cock Robin burst into a delighted melody of sweet bell-tones, for what did he see but a tempting meal spread for him on the window-sill!

There he perched to devour all the delicious morsels of pudding which the children were eager for him to enjoy. So before he went home he treated the Humans to a grateful ditty, all about rejoicing in each day's blessing as it comes.

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These cold, wintry days there is not much coming up in the garden, but we cooks value any small variety in the menu, and we can easily grow a few new potatoes now, especially if we are lucky enough to have a greenhouse.

Put the old potatoes into a 9-inch pot, in a little rough leafy mould, and before

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long your row of pots will give you a crop of new potatoes.

How delicious a little fresh mint, too, to savour our dried peas, or to turn our mutton into lamb. All you have to do is to dig up two or three small plants of mint, plant them each in a pot, and keep them rather warm; then you will soon have some nice fresh shoots to pick from.

As you will by this time have read the suggestions in our last GAZETTE with regard to the Rosebuds, we are now hoping to get in some more Officers' ideas on the subject.

Our numerous Companies of Rosebuds have been doing so much for the poor wounded soldiers that I feel they are a great credit to the Guides, and when the Buds open they will blossom into the most lovely full blown "Roses of England," prepared for all good works.

You will find a description of my Star Map which appeared in the December GAZETTE on a later page.

I may mention that all the stars which we can see from England seem to circle overhead and go round the world, but next day they rise again in the East four minutes earlier than the day before.

These stars are seen every year in almost the same place, at the same date. I should also remind you that the imaginary figures of men and animals, etc., are only fancy shapes which the ancients used to think the stars looked like.

Of all the stars one can see, there are only 19 first-class stars, so large and bright that we give them names and get friendly with them. As we look up at the heavens, without any magnifying glass, we can see about 7,000 stars.

These, however, are not all up in our part of the sky at the same moment; some of them are down behind the earth, below the horizon.

When we say "horizon," we mean that line of the earth or sea which meets the sky. The horizon is the distance as far as we can see.

And just now, as the sun is going below the horizon in the West, if you turn and look to the East you will at the same time see the "Seven Sisters" rising there to make their journey overhead.

As the old year closes, do we not see a vision of many things that seem to smudge the beauty of the year—a year that was given to us, or at least lent to us, to make the best of?

Now let us think for a moment. Can we make better use of the opportunities that come to us in the New Year?

At all events, let us each try to be a blessing to others.

Wishing you all happiness,
Yours sincerely,
AGNES BADEN-POWELL.

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The following ladies have been appointed by Headquarters as Commissioners of the various Counties and Districts mentioned:

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(A further list of names will be published next week).

THE NEW BADGES.

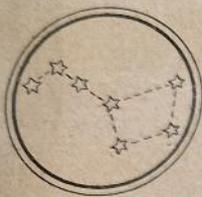
The following are the tests for eight new Badges which have just been issued by Headquarters. The designs of the Badges are also shown.

These, and the old tests (most of which are being revised) will, we hope, shortly be issued in pamphlet form and be obtainable from Headquarters at a cost of twopence per copy.

All practical and useful suggestions for the improvement of the existing tests will be welcomed, and should reach the head of the Training Department—Miss G. I. Thorndike, Redcroft, Dartmouth Row, Blackheath, London, S.E., not later than February 1st.

Astronomer.

Must have a knowledge of the nature and movements of the stars.



Be able to point out and name six principal constellations, and draw one from memory.

Find the North by means of stars other than the Pole Star, and tell the hour of the night by the stars and the moon.

Know the relative positions and movements of the earth, sun and moon, and have an elementary knowledge of tides, eclipses, meteors, comets, planets and sunspots.

Handywoman.

Must have obtained the following badges:—

Needlewoman, Cook, Laundress.



Must also pass two of the following tests:—

1. Work a sewing machine (treadle or hand) and understand cleaning, putting in needle, oiling and general accessories. Repair neatly a torn lace curtain. Retape Venetian blinds, repair china, and lay carpets.

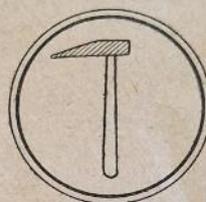
2. Repair ball tap; put washers on taps; sharpen knives on grindstone, whetstone or hone; hang pictures and curtains; do up parcel neatly; replace gas mantles and electric light bulbs; take off, clean and replace door-handle.

3. Cover a hassock and armchair, make a baby's cot out of a plain box or lined pilgrim basket, and make mattress for it; mend a coal-box or bucket with a hole in it.

4. Paint a hot water can; enamel inside of foot-bath; paper a small room; put pane of glass in a window; and clean and stain a floor

Geologist.

Must have a general knowledge of the various periods in the formation of the Earth's crust, and know which are the water-bearing rocks.



Understand what is meant by stratification dip, and faults.

Be able to identify:—

Twenty different minerals in their natural state.

Twenty different fossils, and know to what period they belong.

Collect six different specimens of mineral or rocks, or six fossils.

Surveyor.

Must map correctly, from the country itself, the main features of half a mile of road with 400 yards each side, to a scale of 2ft. to the mile. Afterwards re-draw the same from memory.



Measure the heights of a tree, telegraph pole and church steeple, describing method employed.

Measure width of river and the distance apart of two objects a known distance away and unapproachable.

Be able to measure a gradient.

Understand what is meant by H.E., V.I., and R.F. Contours, conventional signs of ordnance, survey and scales.

Friend to Animals.

Must have had six months' experience in charge of some animal or bird.

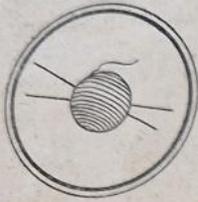


Know how to treat simple ailments, amount and kinds of food to be given and when to give it, also the harm resulting from wrong feeding.

Train an animal, or tame a bird.

Knitter.

Must bring one pair of socks or stockings (with heel) knitted entirely by herself.



Bring one other useful garment knitted or crocheted by herself.

Show ability to follow printed knitting directions.

Basket-worker.

Must produce an article of basket-work of practical use in either willow, cane, rush, raffia or straw-work made entirely by herself.



Have a general knowledge of the raw material employed, how it is obtained, and how prepared for working.

Beefarmer.

Must have a practical knowledge of general apiculture.



Understand swarming, hiving, hives, the separating of honey, the use of artificial combs and the making of frames.

Know which are the best food plants.

TOO DRY.

ETHEL: "How on earth did my new prize book get in this state?"

ARCHIBALD (her little brother): "I heard you say it looked awfully dry, so I put it in the bath, and turned the water on!"

A TAMBOURINE DANCE.

BY A DANCING MISTRESS.

The writer of this item will be glad to assist any London Company to practise it. Apply for fuller particulars to the Editor.

Galop round in a circle with partners. Turn lady to face partner at the end. Tambourines held in raised outside hands.

I. Form a Square.—Dance to partners and corners. Tambourines in right hand.

1. Point right foot forwards and clash tambourines.

2. Hop on right, and point left foot up to front.

3. Point left foot to front.

4. Hop on left, keeping right foot raised behind.

5. Right foot down.

6. Hop on right and raise left to rear.

7. Place left foot down on point.

8. Hop on left, at the same time turn left and face corner partner.

II. Four couples face the front.

1, 2, 3, 4 { Ladies take four galop steps to the left, passing in front of their partner.

Gentlemen four to the right.

5, 6 { Both point the foot nearest to partner, bend forward and clash tambourine over the pointed foot.

7, 8 { Swing arms outwards and overhead, and clash tambourines, bending to rear.

Then galop back to places and bend forward and back clashing tambourines, and repeat the whole step.

III. Circle Galop.—All give right hands across to opposite partner, lady to lady and gentleman to gentleman. Tambourines in left hand, raised up. Galop round twice. Two steps with the right foot and two with the left foot.

IV. Ladies stay in the centre and galop round in a circle twice without taking hands. At the same time the gentlemen turn and galop round in an outside larger circle once. Change places by ladies passing behind their own partner and forming the outside circle. Gentlemen come in and form an inside circle. Finish in one circle all facing the same way.

V. All follow one another round in a large circle in a waltz step, in four time.

1. Point right foot forward, and close left foot behind right.
2. Point right foot forward.
3. Point left foot forward, and right foot behind left.
4. Twist round on both feet, clash tambourine on 1.

VI. Stand side by side with your partner, all facing front again. Dance on the spot.

1. Point right foot forward, hop on left foot.
2. Bend right knee up, hop on left foot.
3. Clash tambourines on raised knee.
4. Spring on to right foot, raising left foot up behind.

Repeat left, right, left foot to front first. Clash tambourine on 1 always, raised overhead.

VII. Double Galop.—Four gentlemen give left hands across, with tambourines raised in right. Ladies take hold of gentlemen's tambourines, holding their own in their right hands. All galop round. Two galop steps with right foot and two with left foot.

VIII. Form a circle. 1, 2. Ladies point right foot forward, and clash tambourines overhead. 3, 4. Kneel on left knee and hold tambourines up and shake them.

Gentlemen galop round, passing behind one lady and in front of the next, until all are standing almost in front of their own partner. Stand in position with the tambourine raised and the front foot pointed and look down at their partner.

All shake the tambourines first, then gradually stop until one only is left.

Tarantelle music should be used as an accompaniment.

MISS BADEN-POWELL'S RECEPTION.

Miss Baden-Powell will hold her usual New Year afternoon reception, in London, early in February. Officers and ladies wishing to attend are requested to apply at Headquarters.

PRIZES WORTH WINNING.

Generous Gifts to be Gained by Guides.

Our best thanks are due to the British Women's Patriotic League who have most kindly offered three prizes of 30/-, 15/-, and 5/-, respectively, for each of the following four competitions.

1. TO COOKS.—For the best cooked dinner for one person; cost not to exceed 1/-. (*Open to Guides only.*)
2. TO LAUNDRESSES.—For the best test passed according to the new regulations. (*Open to Guides only.*)
3. TO FLORISTS.—For the greatest profit made, or the largest number of eatable specimens produced, from a 1/- packet of vegetable seeds. (*Open to individual Guides, Officers or to Companies working together.*)
4. TO DAIRY FARMERS.—For the best written scheme for organising a poultry farm to be run, on economic lines, by a Company of Guides. Competitor also to produce 1lb. fresh butter made entirely by herself, and a certificate to prove that she is capable of milking a cow. (*Open to Officers and Guides.*)

The co-operation of all the Commissioners is earnestly solicited. Firstly, in organising the competitions in their own districts, and in judging, or providing competent judges to judge the exhibits. Secondly, in arranging, on a date early in August, to send the exhibits, or a description of them, to London to an address to be given later.

N.B. A description of the best Cook's 1/- dinner, and of the Florist's vegetable produce, may be sent for the finals instead of the actual exhibit, as also a certificate proving the Commissioner to have approved of the Dairy-farmer's butter. But the best laundry test and written scheme for the poultry farm must be sent up in full.

Miss Baden-Powell also offers two prizes of £2 and £1 respectively for the best set of:—

- 6 small jam tarts and
- 6 small bread rolls,

to be judged in the same way.

The winning exhibits in each district to be forwarded to London.

BOOKS FOR THE WOUNDED.**How to make a Hospital Library.**

In every hospital and convalescent home there is a great demand for books for the patients. It is no use sending expensive or heavy volumes—sixpenny editions are the best.

Collect them from your friends and renovate those which require it in the method described below. It was adopted by three girls, who recorded their experiences in *Home Notes* not long ago. Their ideas could easily be carried out by all the Guides of a Company working together.

Directly we had collected a number of books we started having a book-binding party twice weekly. Besides the books, we provided ourselves with some stout mill-board, calico, sewing-thread, strong paste, and transparent "music-mending" paper. Here is our recipe for paste:

Three-parts fill a saucepan with water, and stir in enough flour to make it of a creamy consistency; add also a pinch of salt. Set over the gas, and stir continually until the paste is transparent and thick, taking special care to avoid its becoming lumpy. Then turn the paste into a dry, clean jar, and use it with a brush when cold.

To bind our books, we started by stripping the covers right off. Then we carefully pasted in any loose leaves, cutting the edges straight and neat.

A strip of calico was then cut to the width of the back of the book and about an inch longer, and when the ends had been turned in to the right length, the strip was spread smoothly with paste and fixed down the book back.

When this was dry, we took another piece of calico—six inches wide and three inches shorter than the length of the book in hand—and sewed it to the centre of the calico on the back of the book, leaving the ends of this strip loose on either side of the book.

Meantime, someone else had cut two pieces of cardboard for the covers, which were placed on the sides of the book so that the outline of the calico flap could be traced on them. The outer sides of the latter and the pencilled corresponding parts of the cardboards were then spread with paste and carefully fitted together.

A heavy weight on top made the book dry flat, but we took care to put a piece of

thin paper between the outside of the flaps and the book, in case a little paste was left and they stuck together.

When the book was dry, we cut a piece of calico to fit the whole outside, covers and back, with an extra inch right round. This was fitted against the book and marked where the back came, and the width of the back slit down for an inch on each side, top and bottom.

The inner sides of the cover portions of the calico were then spread evenly with paste, and the whole fitted on to the book. The back of this outer cover should not be secured in any way whatever.

After the cover was on, the book was again well pressed. Finally, we neatened the inside of the covers with a well-cut piece of thin brown paper, cartridge paper, note-paper, or anything we had that was suitable, pushed the hanging "extra inches" of calico tautly down the back binding, and affixed a label to the outer front cover bearing the name of the book and its author.

As soon as enough books were ready to make a decent sized parcel, we packed them up and sent them off to the nearest hospital for the wounded. They were received very gratefully.

OFFICERS' TRAINING SCHOOL.

A training school for Officers has been started at 8, Kinnerton Street, London, S.W., by kind permission of Mrs. Lumley Holland. The idea is to unite Guide Officers all over the country for mutual help and encouragement.

The annual subscription is only 1s. Fuller particulars can be obtained from Miss Compton Burnet, 45, Cambridge Mansions, Battersea Park, London, S.W.

LONE GUIDES.

Five or six Companies of Lone Guides are flourishing, scattered all over the Kingdom. Miss Nesta Maude (Silver Fish), Honorary Secretary of the Lone Guides, is kept so hard at work that she has been obliged to relinquish her command of the 1st Lone Guides. We hope now that it will flourish under the command of Miss Eileen Beaumont Nesbitt, 53 Sloane Street, London, S.W.

News of the various Companies will be welcomed.

"Same here," rejoined Angela. "Never felt in such a fright before. Let's take it easy for a bit."

The pair slackened speed, and finally came to a halt for a few minutes.

Three-quarters of a mile further on they had another startling experience.

Screams of terror were heard coming from the other side of the high, quick-set hedge, and Angela and Claire were astounded to see a little girl, who appeared to be not more than ten years of age, come bursting, hatless and screaming with terror, through a gateway leading from the adjoining field.

"Save me! Save me!" she screamed in her fright, racing up to the pair and clinging to Claire's arm.

"You're all right now. What's the matter, dear?" asked Claire, doing her best to console her.

For a moment the child could do nothing but sob, and her distress was terrible to witness.

"An—an awful man came—through the—wood, and I ran away—don't—don't let him catch me," she sobbed at length.

Angela and Claire glanced at each other quickly, and Claire put her arm round the child.

"We had been—in the woods," she continued, "and I—stopped behind the rest—to take a thorn out of—my shoe, and—he almost—killed me to death. I—I simply had to—run."

"Well, he shan't catch you now, dearie. Don't cry any more. We can understand your being frightened, for we've both seen him. What's your name?"

"Fay Rayne—and—and I come from Greystoke."

"What a pretty name!" ejaculated Angela. "I—I'm a Rosebud," continued the little

girl.

"A Rosebud. But next month I shall be a Rosebud. I'm eleven then."

Angela and Claire again exchanged glances. The same thought had occurred to them

both. "What was the fright affected the little girl's

thoughts?

"I don't know," she said. "You don't understand."

"I'm a Girl Guide, and the small ones are called Rosebuds. All the Patrols are named after flowers."

"Oh!" exclaimed Claire and Angela in a low voice, both considerably relieved. "Well, we are to be going to Greystoke, so you must come with us."

"I lost my hat!" exclaimed Fay. "I left it in the wood when I ran away. I must go home without it."

Angela and Claire fairly gasped.

It was clear that little Fay would be unable to pick up sufficient courage to return to Greystoke in order to recover her property.

Angela and Claire could understand her terror, and they had the slightest desire to encounter the-looking stranger again.

What was to be done?

(To be continued.)

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

The New Badges.

On another page you will find illustrations of the eight new Badges which have just been issued by Headquarters, as well as the tests for winning them.

Miss Baden-Powell's map in last month's GAZETTE, and the notes she gives in this issue, will be of considerable help to those who wish to qualify for the Astronomer's Badge.

We hope to publish useful articles on the other subjects from time to time.

Should any reader ever wish us to give hints on any particular subject likely to prove of general interest, we trust she will not hesitate to let us know.

We want to give you what you want, and how better can we gauge your requirements than by getting the information direct?

Prizes Worth Winning.

On another page will be found particulars of the generous prizes offered by the British Women's Patriotic League for the encouragement of Guides with a knowledge of cooking, laundry-work, gardening, dairy-farming and poultry rearing. Miss Baden-Powell also offers special prizes for cooks.

We hope that the greatest enthusiasm will be shown by Companies all over the country, and that very big entries will be received in each district.

"Claire Maynard's Choice:"

When you've made the acquaintance of Claire Maynard and all her friends in our new serial, you might write and let us know how you like it. We want to have your opinion of the story.

GIRL GUIDES' GAZETTE, WHAT WE ARE DOING.

By LT.-GEN. SIR ROBERT BADEN-POWELL, K.C.B.

1915.

The past year has been a strenuous one for all, and has brought us losses at the Front which it will be hard to replace.

But with the dawn of a new year there seems to be the promise of great results in the near future, and we look with hope to 1916 being a happier one than its predecessor, and the beginning of possibilities for the future.

As it is with the war, so to some extent it is with the Girl Guide Movement, at any rate so far as the future is concerned. During the past year good work has been done and great steps have been taken towards putting the Movement on to a footing for good work in the future.

The Headquarters Executive has been entirely reconstituted, and the different departments of administration have been put each under the responsible charge of a qualified lady. In most cases the head of a department is further assisted by an advisory sub-committee of experienced Captains, etc. The whole Movement has been put on an officially recognised position by a Charter of Incorporation from the Government.

Lady Commissioners are now being appointed to represent the Headquarters Executive in the different districts throughout the country, and in the British States overseas. These Commissioners have the double duty of representing to local Officers and Associations as to the policy of Headquarters and at the same time of representing to Headquarters the needs and views of the workers in the different districts. Thus we hope to maintain a closer mutual touch and sympathy throughout the Movement.

To further this end I am looking forward also to the inauguration of Conferences of Officers at which different questions of administration and training may be thoroughly discussed, and bonds of mutual comradeship established.

These things all take time to develop, and to eager spirits progress may appear slow; but it is going on none the less. Numbers are steadily increasing, new centres are daily being opened up, and side by side with this efficiency is improving in standard.

Our aims are now becoming better understood by parents and public, and, what is of greater importance, by the education authorities.

But what perhaps is of the greatest importance of all is that they are now grasped more fully than was the case at first by the Officers and by the Guides themselves. This is a great step, because it is essential to progress in the right direction, and has already resulted in splendid, whole-hearted work on the part of our Officers.

War service has been taken up by the Guides in steadily increasing numbers during the past year, and many reports of their good work have been received. Their services in aid of Red Cross Hospitals have especially been praised, and the Hostels or Temporary Hospitals which they have formed in many of their clubrooms and headquarters have been the means of exhibiting the nature of their work to the public, and have especially developed a high standard of keenness and efficiency among the girls themselves.

In fact, their general ability has now become recognised to such an extent that Guides are being sought for by employers for many different kinds of work.

The war has been a great opportunity for women of this country, and a vast number have shown themselves capable of taking the places of men to an extent which had otherwise been scarcely realised; and it is a matter for congratulation that the Guides have not been behind-hand in showing themselves qualified for employment.

The Movement has risen to the occasion in this past year of critical times, but I believe that in the months now before us there is the promise of still greater achievements if everybody works with the same loyalty and goodwill which have been conspicuous in the year 1915. It is therefore with special hope and confidence that I wish you all good luck and success to your work in 1916.

Women on Active Service.

With regard to what I have said about war bringing its opportunity to women, an immense number of them are proving their capabilities by doing various kinds of work

connected with the Army over here (for I write this from France).

But I will not myself go into the details, interesting and instructive though they be to Guides, since my wife, who is herself a worker among the soldiers in France, will be able to give you some experiences at first hand in an early number of the GAZETTE.

The Guides' War Fund.

I have had offers from various Guide centres to raise a fund by which the Guides can do something tangible to help the men who are fighting their battles for them at the Front.

As is probably known to you, the Boy Scouts have, by doing a day's work apiece, raised a sufficient sum to supply a second ambulance for transport of the wounded, and to supply three recreation institutes for the benefit of the men.

I need scarcely say that these have been most highly appreciated, and I have therefore been inquiring in what line it might be possible for the Guides to render help in an equally useful way.

I find there is at any rate one which might appeal to them.

When our Troops have finished their turn in the trenches, they are moved back into billets in various villages some way behind the fighting line.

In the principal townships they can live in comparative comfort, but those who are less fortunate in being quartered in distant hamlets and farms find themselves out of reach of the small luxuries and comforts which go such a long way to make their life on active service more pleasant.

If it were possible, therefore, to provide them with a motor-coffee-shop, which could run round with supplies of tobacco and minor necessaries, or could meet them on the march in bad weather with hot coffee and other comforts, it would be a perfect godsend to them, and would have a very important effect in keeping up that splendid spirit which pervades their ranks.

I mention it as being important, because where men are campaigning in continual cold and mud, under the immense nervous strain of modern war, their spirits might reasonably become depressed.

The right spirit is of the highest value for success in war; if, therefore, by the expenditure of a little effort and money you can help to maintain this, you may rest assured that you are "doing your bit" to the very best advantage.



MILITARY.—Lord Kitchener is unmarried. He has never before been Secretary of State for War.

JUDY.—Dark clothes are much warmer than light ones, because they absorb the heat from the atmosphere.

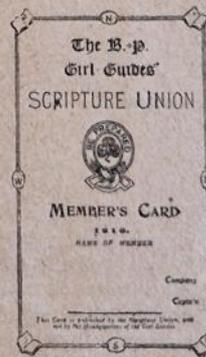
STEVENS.—When the National Anthem is played, Guides, if in uniform, salute; when not in uniform, they stand at attention.

SOLDIER'S SISTER.—The nearest relatives of every soldier who is admitted into hospital from any cause are at once notified by telegram, and the wire is confirmed next day by letter.

N. G. M.—Army chaplains of the Church of England wear white or khaki stock collars and black vests. All "padres" wear black shoulder-straps. Although ranking as Captains (or higher) they do not use the military title.

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COMPANY NEWS



(We shall be glad to print in these columns reports of the doings and progress of Companies, which should be as brief as possible. It would be a good plan for each Company to appoint one of its officers or members as correspondent to the "Gazette." She would then be responsible for reporting all the more important events in the history of the Company and any matter of general interest to our readers.)

London and District.

Barking.—On December 5th there was a Parade of 150 Guides to St. Margaret's Church, Barking. Four Companies took part in it, the 1st Barking, 2nd Ilford, 2nd West Ham, and 2nd Forest Gate.

Bayswater.—Lady Massie Blomfield recently presented 63 Proficiency and 2nd Class Badges and four War Service Badges to the twenty members of the 1st Bayswater Company.

Bethnal Green.—The 1st Bethnal Green Company had a successful social evening recently, when a good programme of games and music was carried out. The cakes were baked by the Guides themselves.

Greenwich.—At the fifth annual display of the 1st Greenwich Company, Mrs. Roch, the Commissioner for South-east London, presented Badges and spoke to the girls. A varied entertainment was given, including displays of marching, signalling, dancing and dumbbells. The 5th annual report of this Company gives interesting details about it since the formation in 1910. Good progress seems to be made in all classes of work.

The Silver Shield presented by the President to the Patrol gaining the most marks for attendance, good conduct, proficiency, etc., is now held by the Primrose Patrol.

Herne Hill.—At the end of the School Entertainment last month the 2nd Herne Hill (Brockwell Park College) Company gave a much-appreciated entertainment. By means of a farthing fund cigarettes were bought for the wounded at the Southwark Military Hospital. Two Patrol flags and two bandage-winders have been given by a Boy Scout, who had made them.

Ilford.—The 1st Ilford (Iona) Company sent gifts of 120 toys, games, and books for Christmas to the East London Hospital for Children. They also contributed towards, and helped distribute, Christmas hampers to the local poor. On December 18th, the 2nd Ilford Company

gave a tea to fifty-five poor children. The Guides made and supplied all the eatables. Each child was presented with a little gift before leaving.

North London.—According to the annual report of the North London District, eighteen Companies, containing 520 Guides, have been registered. Thirty-three War Service Badges have been awarded.

West London.—A new Patrol has been formed, the 1st Addison Company, and a number of Badges have been won.

The 1st South Kensington Company was inspected by Lady Massie Blomfield and Captain Heyworth, when the Guides gave a display of bandaging and stretcher drill.

The 1st and 2nd Hammersmith Companies have been busily engaged in various handicrafts, while weekly classes in First-Aid and Home Nursing have been held. A Company library has been started with great success. The Guides have "adopted" a prisoner of war in Germany. Twelve girls formed a Guard of Honour to the Bishop of London at a tea given to poor children.

A performance of "The Sleeping Beauty" was given by the 1st and 2nd Latimer Companies in aid of blind soldiers. Everything (including the making of their pretty dresses) was done by the Guides themselves.

A number of Ambulance and War Service Badges have been gained by the 2nd Paddington Company.

The 1st Campden Hill, the 1st Sloane, and the 1st Harrow Road Companies have recently been formed.

Woodford.—Last month the High School Company gave a display of Swedish drill, songs, dances, choruses, ambulance work, and other items to an appreciative audience. Stalls, upon which specimens of the girls' handicrafts were shown, attracted considerable attention. Parcels are sent regularly by the Company to a prisoner of war.

England.

Addington.—By the kind permission of Mrs. Lawson Johnstone, an examination of the Addington Company was held at Addington Manor. Fifteen girls were examined in the tests for Ambulance and First-Aid by Mrs. Clare Goslett, and all gained certificates.

Alderley Edge.—The former Patrol-Leader of the Alderley Edge Company, who is a nurse at the Evelina Hospital, Southwark, has received from the Alderley Edge Company quite a good sum of pennies towards the endowment of a cot in memory of Nurse Cavell.

The Alderley Edge Guides every Saturday collect goods of some kind for the wounded soldiers, one Saturday being vegetable day. On this day they sent two enormous barrow-loads of celery, cabbages, curly greens, turnips, sprouts, etc., to the Red Cross Hospital. Another week it was all fruit.

Ashington.—The 1st Ashington Company issues an excellent little magazine called *The Ashington Guide*. We hope it has a long and successful career in store for it.

Boston.—Miss Marian Paulson, Captain of the 1st Boston Company, has received an appointment in the Northern General Hospital, Lincoln, where Captain Miss Cox, of Leverstock Green, is also doing V.A.D. work.

The senior Guide of the 1st Boston Company is now employed in a Government Hay Office.

Bridgnorth.—The 2nd and 3rd Companies gave an entertainment last month. The programme began with the singing of the Guides' Prayer, after which the Commissioner addressed the girls. To conclude the entertainment carols were sung round a camp fire, all lights being lowered, and a picturesque effect obtained from Chinese lanterns carried by several Guides.

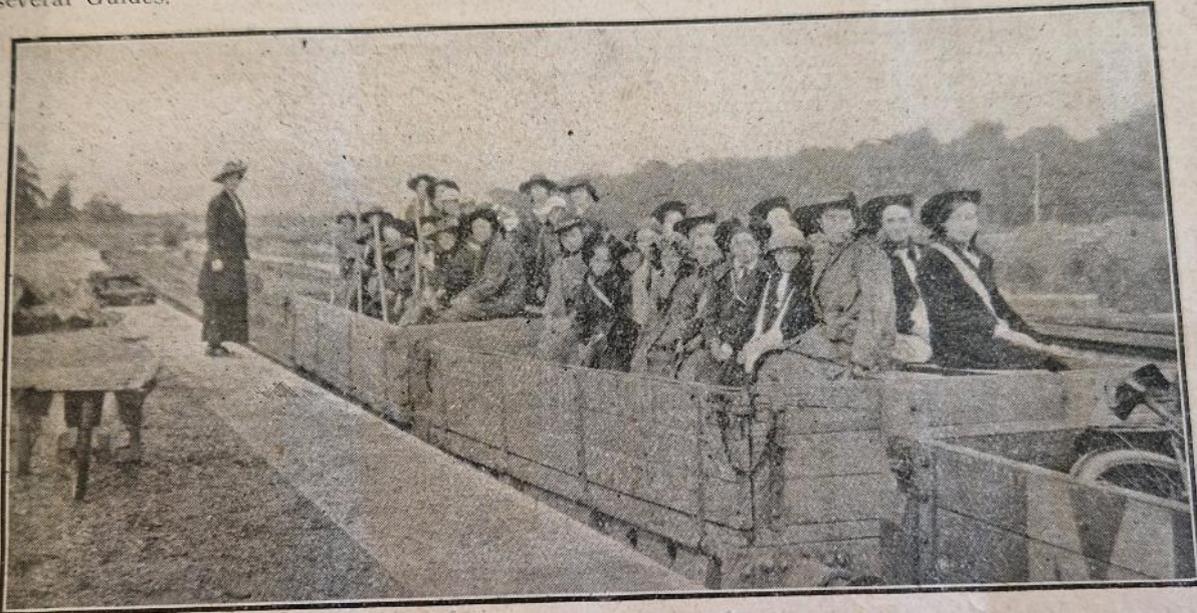
organised by the 1st Exeter Company in aid of the Anglo-Russian Hospital in Petrograd. The Guides formed a Guard of Honour for Lady Rosalind, afterwards closing up and following her in procession to the platform.

Instead of buying a bouquet, each Guide handed to Lady Rosalind a bag of money, a total of £1 16s. being realised in this way. The proceeds of the fête amounted to over £20. Three members of the Company have been appointed to repair the linen at a local hospital.

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Frome.—Although in existence only a few months, this Company numbers over 90 girls. A few weeks back they gave a most successful entertainment, the proceeds for the one night being over £10, a splendid sum considering that nothing was spent in advertising it. One of the girls gave up an afternoon's work at the factory to walk beyond the town to ask people to attend.

Once a quarter it is proposed to hold a kind



The 1st Bengeo and the 1st Brickendon Companies had quite a novel experience riding in open railway trucks on their way to Cuffley, where they were entertained by members of the 1st Hampstead Company.

Bristol.—Miss Gladys Rex, 14, Alma Vale Road, Clifton, would like to hear from any Guide or Officer who has copies of **The Gazette** for August, September, and November, 1915, to dispose of

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Crewe.—The 1st Crewe (Hightown) Company was inspected by Miss M. C. Royden, District Commissioner, when the Guides gave displays of Swedish drill, marching, and ambulance work. Songs were also sung. Miss Royden addressed the Guides, and complimented them on their progress.

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Exeter.—Last month Lady Rosalind Northcote performed the opening ceremony at a café chantant, Christmas trees, and sale of work

of review night, when a lady interested in the movement will address the girls, followed by specimens of the work done by each Patrol, concluding with united drill.

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Halifax.—On December 20th the Halifax Guides gave their second annual treat to poor children. As there are now nineteen Companies in Halifax, the treat was held in three sections. Sixteen Companies took part, and gave their little guests a very happy evening, with games, sweets, buns, nuts, and fruit. All three sections were carried out on similar lines, with the exception that an "Old Woman in a Shoe" took the place of "Father Christmas" in one section.

Hereford.—Miss Baden-Powell was present at a most successful public meeting organised by Mrs. Lansdell. A smart Company came over from Malvern to assist. By the kindness of the Mayoress, tea was provided. Speeches were made by Miss Baird, Miss Maud Taylor (Liverpool Committee), and Miss Baden-Powell. Lady Butler was in the chair.

Leamington.—A crowded public meeting was held in Salisbury Hall, to inaugurate a detachment of the Girl Guides.

Miss Baden-Powell gave an address on the advantages of the training in the upbuilding of character. The Mayoress took the Chair, Mrs. Suckling (Commissioner), the Hon. Cordilia Leigh, Miss Gilpin-Brown, the Hon. K. Dillon and numerous other ladies gave their patronage.

Lowestoft.—The Christmas good turn of the 1st and 2nd Lowestoft Companies was to provide two buns apiece, which three of the Guides took as a Christmas box to the wounded soldiers at the hospital. The two Companies attended a Church Parade at the Parish Church by special invitation of the Rector.

At a farewell social to their Chaplain, the 3rd Lowestoft Company gave demonstrations in Morse signalling, in which they had been instructed by two N.C.O.s billeted in the town. All refreshments were made by the Guides.

Oxford.—The following Companies are now included in the Oxford District: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th Oxford; 1st Wolvercote; 1st Woodstock; Ascott-under-Wychwood; 1st Stanton St. John. The half-yearly report, which has just reached us, gives a good account of all.

Peterborough.—By the performance of the Hon. Mrs. Gell's musical pageant, "The Empire's Honour," £20 was raised by the 3rd Peterborough Company, £15 being handed over to the Serbian Relief Fund, the remainder going to the Company funds. The performance was repeated on Boxing Day for the inmates of the local Infirmary.

Petworth.—In order to provide gifts for men at the Front, the three Patrols of the 1st Petworth Company engaged in trade through November and December, starting with sixpence each. Over £8 was raised. Many of the Guides are helping at the local War Hospital Supply Depot.

Portsmouth.—The 2nd Portsmouth (Lady Jellicoe's Own) Company gave an entertainment on December 16th in aid of the War Depot, Highbury Street, Portsmouth, and raised the satisfactory sum of £3 10s. A side-drum, the nucleus of a band, was presented to them on that occasion, and the Thanks Badge was presented to the Chaplain.

Earlier in the month, Miss Malcolm (Y.W.C.A. Commissioner) inspected the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Companies. After the inspection the Guides' Marching Song was sung by the 1st and 2nd Companies.

Proficiency and 2nd Class Badges were then presented by Miss Malcolm, and War Service

Badges by the Hon. Lady Meux, five of the latter being gained by the 1st Company, two by the 2nd and one by the 3rd.

Shipley.—A local Guide has collected over 2,000 old razors to be forwarded to the Front (by the kindness of the Master Cutler of Sheffield). She obtains them by means of cards, to be displayed in shops and factories, getting the cards lettered herself.

Southwold.—Five members of the 1st Southwold Company have gained the War Service Badge, while other war work has been the making of pillows, scarves, mittens, socks, and handkerchiefs, collecting old newspapers, and washing and mending for soldiers quartered in the town. Contributions have also been made to "Comforts for Mine-sweepers" Fund.

The Captain, two Lieutenants, and two Patrol-leaders have been working as Red Cross nurses since the outbreak of war.

Teignmouth.—The Captain and two Patrol-Leaders of the local Company took holly and flags to the local hospital, and helped to decorate the soldiers' ward there. On Christmas Day, the Patrol-Leaders and Corporals took parcels of knitted socks, scarves, etc., for each of the wounded soldiers, and stayed for a short concert, during which one of the Guides sang a carol, the others joining in the chorus. On December 30th, the Company had a Games Night, when prizes were given for competitions and some Tenderfoots were enrolled.

Torquay.—The Torquay Guides and Rosebuds have a bed of their own in the soldiers' ward of the local hospital. The bed is called "Be Prepared," and the money has been obtained by the girls themselves, through acts of self-denial and by giving up their free time to work for it.

Widnes.—On December 11th the Officers and Guides of the 1st Widnes Central Company assembled at the Town Hall, Widnes, when, on their behalf, the Mayor made presentations to the local Recruiting Officer, Captain A. H. Sparrow, R.W.F., and the Rev. W. C. Jordan (Vicar of St. Mary's, and Chaplain to the Widnes Girl Guides) in recognition of their services to the Company on the occasion of Presentation and Dedication of their Colours in October.

At the close of the proceedings, the Mayor entertained all present to tea.

On December 23rd the 2nd Widnes Company entertained a number of friends and officials of the Widnes Association at their Headquarters, to witness the presentation of War-rants and Badges to the Company, and also to make presentations to the Commissioner (Mrs. F. Neil), Mrs. Lowe (Secretary), and Mrs. Hough (Chairman of the Association).

At the close of the proceedings the Company entertained the visitors to refreshments.

Walton Heath.—Eight members of the 1st Walton Heath Company have gained the War

Service Badge by working at the local Red Cross Hospital. In their spare time, many of the Guides are learning to milk.

Peaslake.—As a good turn on Boxing Day, three local Guides trudged a mile in terrific wind and rain to the Captain's house in order to relieve the maids and allow them to enjoy the Christmas party which they were having that day.

Wealdstone.—Miss Grinling opened a most successful sale of work in aid of Red Cross and Company funds at the headquarters of the 1st Wealdstone Company, afterwards inspecting the Guides and presenting Badges. A splendid entertainment and side-shows added to the enjoyment of the many who patronised the sale. Twenty-five wounded soldiers were entertained to tea.

Scotland.

Alford.—The 3rd Aberdeenshire Company has been busy knitting socks, and also picking sphagnum moss. A number of Tenderfoots have recently been enrolled.

Alyth.—The 1st Alyth (5th Perthshire) Company held a most successful sale of Christmas presents, etc., on December 4th, at which just over £25 was realised.

The Guides had worked hard during the two preceding months, as much as possible making things that they could give away, should they fail to sell; in consequence, a fine parcel of hospital shoes and knitted face cloths was sent to the Dundee Red Cross Depot. The surplus articles from the toy stall have been sent to Miss Georgie Fyfe's Homes for the Belgian Refugees' Children.

Inverness.—On December 30th, the 1st and 2nd Inverness Companies entertained the women and children of the Blind Institute. Each Guide contributed to the tea, after which there was a short concert, in which they were assisted by convalescent soldiers and several of the blind children. The food left over was sent to the Highland Orphanage.

Lanark.—Since August, 1914, three members of the 11th Lanarkshire Company have been giving their services at the weekly meeting of the local Red Cross Work Party. The girls hand round tea, and make themselves useful in many ways. Some little time ago the members of the Work Party acknowledged the assistance which the girls give by presenting each with a very pretty gold patriotic brooch.

Last winter the Company provided complete outfits of clothing for twenty-four Belgian refugee children. This winter the girls (Rosebuds included) are devoting their energies to the knitting of comforts for our soldiers and sailors.

Paisley.—The Silver Fish has been awarded to Miss Agnes Stirling of the 5th Renfrewshire (1st Paisley) Company.

Wales.

Rhyl.—By various activities during the summer months, the 1st Rhyl Company raised funds for the purchase of materials to make comforts for the Forces. One hundred and twenty mosquito-nets were sent to the Royal Welsh Fusiliers in Gallipoli, and a large box of woollen comforts to H.M.S. *Ghurka*. The Guides are still busy knitting.

Overseas.

Adelaide.—The motor-car soup kitchen, which was made and fitted up in Adelaide, and cost £260, has been subscribed for by the South Australian Girl Guides, at the invitation of Lady Symon. The Governor's wife, Lady Galway, handed the motor kitchen over to the military authorities.

Natal.—The Natal Guides were invited to an "At Home" by Mrs. F. G. C. Lucas (Lady Commandant) in the Mitchell Park. The Mayor and Mayoress were present, and also members of the Local Committee for Natal.

Poona.—Mrs. Walker has given her cottage to the 1st Poona Girl Guides for a Clubroom. There are two rooms and a compound available. The Guides meet there every Monday evening.

The 1st and 2nd Poona Guides gave a concert at the Napier Cinema in aid of the War Funds, when they sang the Girl Guides' Song and gave signalling and recitations. The Rosebuds also sang a song called "Good-night, Mr. Moon," dressed in their nighties. After the curtain fell, they were so enthusiastically encored that, when the curtain rose again, all the Rosebuds were shown fast asleep on the floor, with their dolls, teddy bears, etc., around them. Hornpipes and drills and a patriotic pageant, in which Miss Sawyer posed as Britannia, completed the programme.

WIN YOUR ASTRONOMER'S BADGE

Some Interesting Facts about Miss Baden-Powell's Star Map which we Published last Month.

In winter the groups of stars to be seen are more crowded with large, bright stars than those seen in the summer.

The group which is perhaps most easily picked out now is ORION, with his four big corner stars and his bright belt of three in a row.

Now, Orion was a great hunter and had killed a lion. He was out with two dogs, hunting a hare, but when a furious bull suddenly rushed to attack him, he shook the lion's skin in the bull's face to defend himself, and he had to let the poor little hare go; you will see it in the map, crouching down at Orion's feet.

At this time of year we can see the con-

GIRL GUIDES' GAZETTE.

stellation of the Dog (*Canis* in Latin) towards the East, and if we look Westwards there is the star-cluster of the BULL (*Taurus*).

Looking up overhead we have AURIGA, the chariot-driver, and the HEAVENLY TWINS (*Gemini*).

Thousands of years ago these star-groups, or constellations, were seen just the same by the shepherds in the Euphrates Valley, who gave them these quaint Persian names. These stars are mentioned in the Bible in Amos v., 8, and also in Job, xxxviii.

Turn your back on the POLE STAR, and hold the map up towards the South; you will then be able to read the names of the big, first-class stars in each constellation as I marked them in the December GAZETTE.

AURIGA the charioteer, up above, is a kite-shaped cross of four large stars.

Towards the West, on your right, you will see the huge wild BULL rushing down on to ORION. His flaming red eye is called ALDEBARAN, and is near a clear V of stars. Each of his horns is tipped with a star, the upper one being called NATH (the Horn).

The star-group or constellation of the Bull is one of the twelve Signs of the Zodiac, which are imaginary divisions of the sky to mark the twelve months of the year. The Bull passes along on the path of the Sun, as do all the Signs of the Zodiac.

All these stars rise and pass over us and then set, just as the sun does. It is only those stars round about the Pole Star which never set for us, but are seen to circle round and round the North Star.

The BULL wears a brilliant jewel in his ear. You will see the PLEIADES sparkling to the right of Aldebaran. This most lovely cluster was called by Darwin "the Flower of the Sky."

Now, these "Seven Sisters," the Pleiades, were the daughters of Mr. ATLAS and Mrs. PLIONE (who are the two left-hand stars in the cluster). Widely separated tribes have a tradition that one of the stars has vanished. People in West Africa or in China, and the Red Indians of America, all know that one of the Seven Sisters is lost, and only six can now be seen!

The wondrous glory of the stars is astounding, if you examine this cluster through a glass. ALCYONE, the eldest sister, is so distant from us that her light takes 250 years to reach us.

ORION is a most striking group of stars. This constellation is only seen in winter, and is hidden behind the earth all the summer, then passing overhead in the day-time. Two large stars mark the shoulders of the mighty hunter, and two bright stars his feet.

On ORION's left shoulder is BELLATRIX, and his right is marked by BETELGEUSE (meaning the Shoulder of the Giant). The latter is a red-orange coloured first-class star. It gives out several hundred times as much light and heat as our sun gives.

Although Betelgeuse is called a "fixed star," and was noted by Ptolemy, and has been seen in that position for 5,000 years, it has been found to be moving at the rapid rate of three miles in a second!

ORION'S BELT is marked by three big stars of second magnitude. The Arabs called them the Three Kings, Mintaka, Nilam, and Nitak. The line of the Belt points up to ALDEBARAN (the Bull's Eye) in the North-West, the other end pointing South-East to the blue-white star SIRIUS, or The Dog Star, in CANIS MAJOR.

ORION's sword hangs from his belt, as you see he is using a heavy club in his right hand. This sword, which is outlined by three stars, always points North and South, and is therefore valuable as a compass. Notice on my map the centre star in the Sword (*Theta*); it has been called "the most glorious object in the heavens"! If you could see *Theta* magnified in a large telescope, you would know it is really six bright stars shining in the midst of the famous nebula of Orion, the most marvellous misty mass of whirling gases.

The LESSER DOG (*Canis Minor*), is very near Gemini, and has a large bright eye named PROCYON (that means The Dog's Fore-runner). It was so named because it rises in the East just before the Great Dog (*Canis Major*).

SIRIUS, that brilliant eye of the Great Dog, has also been called the "Shining One" and the "Cynosure." It is the brightest star in the heavens due South.

The planet SATURN is a morning star just now, near the Twins. JUPITER is still an evening star, to be found near the "Fish with glittering tails."

Jupiter is the very largest of the Planets, and you can easily see four of his numerous moons sailing round him.

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1 oz.	1d.	½d.
2 "	2d.	½d.
3 "	2½d.	1d.
4 "	2½d.	1d.
5 "	3d.	1½d.
6 "	3d.	1½d.
7 "	3½d.	2d.
8 "	3½d.	2d.
9 "	4d.	2½d.
10 "	4d.	2½d.

PARCEL POST.

1 lb.	4d.	8 lb.	9d.
2 "	5d.	9 "	10d.
3 "	6d.	10 "	11d.
5 "	7d.	11 "	1/-
7 "	8d.		

LIMIT:—3 ft. 6in. long, or 6 ft. length and girth combined.

Orders of £1 and over carriage paid.

Official Challenge Shields

(Designed by Miss Baden-Powell).

The Shield measures $10\frac{1}{2}$ by $10\frac{1}{2}$ inches and is made in two qualities.



**With Electro-plate
Fittings**

£2 : 0 : 6

**With Sterling Silver
Fittings**

£4 : 10 : 6