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## MISS BADEN-POWELL'S LETTER.

April, 1916.

MY DEAR GUIDES,

In my hospital work lately I have been seeing a great many wounded men, and what strikes me as most wonderful is their constant cheeriness. What a very cheerful nation we must be that through all these difficulties and troubles our men are always full of fun and brightness.

A nurse said that she was pitying a patient, and wondered how he could still be so cheerful, although he had so many bad wounds on his head. So Tommy answered:

"That's just it. I can feel my head now when I wake up, and it's very cheering to know I've still got a head to have wounds on!"

### ARE WE AWAKE?

Do we realise what it is that is going on not one hundred miles from here? That there are bullets flying like hail, and big guns thundering all day long?

Some of our men in the trenches the other day were talking about good old England. They began wondering that the people at home did not seem "half-awake," letting the soldiers at the Front make all the sacrifices, endure all the hardships, and die by thousands, while so few came to help them.

It appeared dreadfully hard to them that the people at home seemed almost asleep, just amusing themselves and doing their daily round as if no war were raging.

Are we, here, "*not half awake*," as they said? Let us open our eyes. If each woman got one man to go and help, what an army we could send to the Front!

### A V.C. HERO.

Do you not love reading of our heroes who won the Victoria Cross, and of how they won them? I have just heard of a V.C. being awarded to a dead soldier.

He was a Guildford man, and as a boy he used to sing solos in the choir in St. Albans Cathedral.

Then, when he entered the E. Lancashire

Regiment, he fought in Gallipoli. He was in the trenches with a bombing party, and sent 700 bombs at the Turks one night. On December 22nd it was very wet and slippery, and just as he was going to throw a grenade at his enemies he slipped and let the grenade fall in his trench.

A number of our men and officers were there. Lieut. Smith (our hero) shouted to them to get under cover, at the same time jumping into safety himself.

But when he saw that the others were unable to get clear and safe, he immediately returned, knowing that the grenade must soon explode and kill his companions, and flung himself down on top of the bomb.

Lieut. Alfred Victor Smith was instantly killed by the explosion, but his act of bravery and self-sacrifice saved many lives, and is one of the finest acts we have heard of.

It is small compensation for his father that he should receive the distinction of the Victoria Cross when he has lost such a son.

### LIFE-SAVING GUIDES.

Our British prisoners of war are being looked after by the Guides here, and money has been earned to send to them by the Sholing Company.

Several Devonshire Companies are training specially in fire-rescue, a course which would appear to be useful to Guides in the Eastern Counties. One Company meets weekly at the fire-station for instruction by the local fire brigade. And I have seen how excellently the Guides under Commissioner Lady Clinton can carry out most exciting fire rescues, showing how well they could save lives in circumstances which may come unexpectedly to any one of us at any moment.

It is specially one of the Girl Guides' objects to be able to save life. You may think that you do not often come across anyone who needs to be saved.

But there is little doubt that when that need does come it jumps at you all of a sudden.

There is no time then to begin to learn or to practise how, so my advice is "Be Prepared." Learn how to save life while you can and whilst there is still time.

Are you able to swim, and can you save an unconscious person in the water?

Suppose that the ship you were on were torpedoed. Suppose your little sister fell into a canal. Could you save her?

First of all you can read how to save life, and then you can practise. Full directions are given in our "Handbook," and we are proud of the many Guides who have already shown how bravely and cleverly they can save others.

#### THE ASTRONOMER BADGE.

Amongst the new Proficiency Badges which we have issued, the "Astronomer's" is a great favourite. Some of our promising young astronomers work constantly at this subject, and proved their powers recently, when they were reading the Churchman's Almanac, by being able to detect a mistake in it in the forecast of eclipses.

On another occasion our Guides found a mistake in an article on planets in a contemporary journal, and were gratified to read in its following number a correction of the misprint.

Grand old Jupiter is still to be seen soon after sunset, looking quite the brightest object in the western sky. The constellation "Orion" has gone very low, and now sets almost too soon to be seen well. But the *Lion* has come forward lately, and you can see his arched neck, with five stars in the shape of a sickle, and the bright star "Regulus" on his shoulder. Four stars outline his body, and there is a very brilliant star on the end of his tail. It is called *Denebola*, a Persian word for the tail.

I expect it is to show where the brush of black hairs is placed, for every lion has a brush to brush out his tracks and footmarks in the sand. The *Lion* is one of the twelve *Signs of the Zodiac*, the names of which I will repeat for you, so that you can learn them by heart; then you will know which star-groups are next each other in the sky.

The Ram, the Bull, the Heavenly Twins,  
And next the Crab, the *Lion* shines,

The *Virgin*, and the Scales.

The Scorpion, Archer, and Sea-goat,

The Man who bears the watering-pot,

The Fish with glittering tails.

Yours sincerely,

AGNES BADEN-POWELL.

#### What the Girl Guides and Their Officers have done to Help their Country.

Approximately 1,400 Girl Guides have, up to date, received the special War Service Badge, awarded to them for war-time service rendered. Included among these, and worthy of special note, is the work of the Guides in V.A.D., Red Cross, St. John, and other hospitals, where they have acted in the capacity of hall, pantry, ward, and scullery maids, orderlies, laundresses, secretaries, messengers, assistant quartermasters, bandage and hospital dressing makers, chemists' messengers, etc.

Whole groups of Companies in various parts of Yorkshire, Lancashire, etc., have been engaged in the mills spinning, weaving, and preparing khaki cloth, etc; winding for aviators; electric gauging for the Government; submarine and bomb net making, etc.

Other work performed by the Guides includes the following:—

Making glass tubes, collecting eggs for hospitals, National Registration work, gathering sphagnum moss for hospital dressings, teaching English to Belgian Refugees, preparing and serving teas at local Red Cross hospitals, war relief work, working in fruit and flower depôts, duties at the War Office and Foreign Office as messengers, typists and secretaries, making sandbags, splint-making for hospitals, farm and dairy work, work at hostels.

Telephonists at various city exchanges, tinning and packing soldiers' rations, making khaki caps, uniforms, haversacks, belts, and other soldiers' garments in factories, duties of a special nature at various local Soldiers' and Sailors' Families' Associations, working for the harvest, work for Belgian Relief Fund and Prisoners of War Fund.

Canteen work, making Government sheets, munition work, hut work, caring for poultry, collecting newspapers and magazines, knitting and sewing comforts, mittens, mufflers, helmets, socks, etc., for the men of the Navy and Army, working in bandage and surgical dressing factories, leather work for Troops, invalid cooking for hospitals and convalescent homes, duties in Belgian Refugee Home, taking charge of Boy Scouts in place of Scoutmaster, superintending work of Guides in different hospitals, working for Queen Mary's Needlework

Guild, United Women's War Distress Society, Western Union Cable and other telegraph offices.

Printing Navy and Army literature, assisting in offices in connection with Lord Derby's Scheme, assisting in the export of tobacco to Troops, making Government electric pocket lamps, voluntary settlement work, working in P.O. as telegraphists, employed in Chief Censor's Department, War Office; assisting in weekly entertainments given for the Belgian and soldiers' wives, working in Voluntary Aid laundry for soldiers, special work at G.P.O.

Voluntary work as church cleaners during absence of parish verger, who has enlisted, 'bus conducting, Command Pay Office, clerical and other work at Canadian Red Cross Society, messengers at Imperial

other is assisting in a University laboratory with the analysis of steel for shells.

Whole Companies in Scotland have devoted their spare time to work as Orderlies in the hospitals there; while Companies in other districts have devoted the major part of their time to knitting for the men of the Navy and Army. In one district three Guides are members of the District Committee for the Prince of Wales's Fund, while another is hon. secretary of the Mayoress's Committee of the same Fund.

A Company in Lancashire has been assembling parts for electric railway equipment, making fuses for switchboards for warships, folding empire cloth for submarines, special aeroplane work. In Northumberland a number of Guides have been working at sheepskin coats.



The War Hostel of the 1st St. Leonards Company, which is ready for any emergency. The Guides keep it always most spick and span.



House, Kingsway, employment in mica-splitting factory for respirators, working for special constable, typists at Town Hall, Great Northern Railway, and War Office, rubber tyre work for war contracts, postal censors, making scrap-books for convalescents, taking care of soldiers' children in time of illness of the mothers.

One Guide has made over 162 garments for soldiers and hospitals. Many are doing recognised work for the Government, assisting in various processes.

In Cheshire, one Guide is acting as Vice-Chairman of Relief Committee; another is on the sub-committee of the Women's Employment League; another is dispensing at a skin hospital several hours during the week in the absence of the A.M.A. member. An-

There seems to be no limit to the work the Girl Guides *can* and *DO* accomplish.

In recommending several Guides for the War Service Badge, the directors of one of the largest surgical and medical glass instrument makers state that many have been engaged in war work for the R.A.M. Department, since August, 1914. They have made the whole or major part of the glass ampoules to contain immense quantities of anti-tetanus serum sent to our Troops from England (as well as many of the ampoules for anti-enteric serum). He states further that the work has been especially valuable to the Government, because, up to the outbreak of the war, all ampoules for both remedies have been imported from Germany.

## HOW TO WIN THE LAUNDRESS BADGE. (Second Paper.)

By M. A. TIPPING

(Captain, Alderley Edge Company).

As the Laundress Test has been revised, and now includes the "Routine of the Washing Day," I have decided to let this article deal only with that.

Next month I hope to give the remaining particulars for the new test, *i.e.*, "How to wash woollens and blankets, the use of the blue bag, how to remove stains, iron mould, etc., and some economical 'war-time' hints for laundresses."

Tuesday is perhaps the best day for washing day, as it allows ample time for preliminaries which make the actual "washing day" so much less laborious and more satisfactory.

On Monday take all the things to the laundry and sort them into separate lots.

- 1.—Sheets, pillow-cases, bedroom-towels, etc.
  - 2.—Cotton and linen underclothing.
  - 3.—Table linen.
  - 4.—D'oyleys, embroidered tray cloths.
  - 5.—White blouses, collars, cuffs, white shirts, handkerchiefs.
  - 6.—Kitchen towels.
  - 7.—Dusters.
  - 8.—Coloured things.
  - 9.—Woollen things.
- } These must be put in  
a dry place until next  
day.

Half fill your "dolly-tub" with hot soapy water (odd scraps of soap should always be put into a jar with a little water and melted down by gentle heat to make a jelly ready for washing day. Failing this, ordinary soap or soap powder must be used.)

Put the *pillow-cases* in the tub one by one, giving each a brisk turn with the dolly legs before adding another, then the *bolster-cases*, *sheets*, and *covers*, and *white bedroom towels* in the same way. This will probably fill your dolly-tub. Then take a pail of hot soapy water and put into this the *table linen*, and—if there is room—the heaps numbered 4 and 5.

Another pail should have placed in it all the articles from number 2, and remember that all body linen should be lightly rubbed with soap wherever soiled (*e.g.*, cuffs and collar bands, etc.); shake the things about well in the hot soapy water, and leave them in it.

You will need another pail with *very hot and very soapy water* for the *kitchen towels*—and a little soda is quite good also in it; and it is well worth the trouble to have still another for the *dusters*.

This separation of articles makes the actual "washing day" comparatively easy, and prevents dusters from becoming greasy by contact with kitchen towels, etc.

*Coloured things and woollens* must be kept in a dry place away from steam until next day. All the other things remain in soak in the tubs and pails.

On Tuesday begin by putting some shredded soap in the copper, half filling it with water, and then lighting the fire under it.

Put the contents of the dolly tub (*i.e.*, the bed linen, etc.) through the mangle, and also the *table linen*.

Empty the dolly-tub, half fill it again with clean hot water, and two handfuls of soap jelly. Put the *table linen* in it, dolly it thoroughly, put it through the mangle, and then into the copper (before the water quite boils) and stir well with a stick.

Wash the *d'oyleys*, etc., carefully by hand and put them in a *bag* (an old pillow-case does splendidly), and stir down in the copper. These should boil for 20 minutes.

Add some boiling water to that in the dolly-tub, and some more soap jelly, and treat the *bed linen* as you did the *table linen*, only give it a longer dollying and a second lot of water in the tub.

Take the *table linen* out of the copper and put in the *bed linen*, and boil for 20 minutes.

*Bedroom and bath towels* will do with one dollying, and a good careful rubbing by hand or on a washing board.

*All white clothing* should be first dollyed, then wrung out, rubbed lightly on both sides with soap, and then boiled.

*All small articles* must be boiled in a bag.

As each lot has boiled a sufficient time, lift the things out with a stick, drop them into the dolly-tub, give them a quick, short dollying, wring them out, rinse them in clean cold water, and then in blued water. Next mangle them and take them out to the lines to dry.

A bright breezy day is the best possible means of drying; indoors drying by the fire is tedious and unsatisfactory.

*Blouses, white skirts*, etc., which require starching in boiled starch (as described in the February GAZETTE) must not be put out

to dry, but folded neatly, and put in a basket and covered with a cloth to keep them clean, and evenly moist.

Collars, cuffs, and anything requiring the "cold water starch" treatment (as in February GAZETTE) must be dried until absolutely "bone dry."

Take the things off the lines as they become dry, or nearly so, and put others on. Put all in a basket to wait for the next process, which is called "sprinkling," and is simply the sprinkling of each article with cold water. Be very careful that the table is spotless, and that the water is absolutely clean.

Sprinkle each article by means of the fingers dipped in the water and then fold very neatly, roll up and place in a laundry basket—small things at the bottom and large ones at the top so as to keep the small ones damp—and let them wait until you are ready to iron them, in the afternoon it may be.

The method of ironing blouses and collars was described in the previous article. Other things are done in much the same way, and details are unnecessary, except perhaps a reminder to keep handkerchiefs and all things with a straight edge *absolutely straight*, and not all awry.

Never iron square or rectangular things from corner to corner, but keep the edges straight by ironing them first.

Some people put table linen through a little hot starch (very thin), but personally I prefer the *French method of only partially drying it, and then ironing it well, and using plenty of pressure.*

Tablecloths need only be ironed on the right side; table napkins on both sides, first right side, then wrong side, and finally very thoroughly on the right side until quite dry and glossy. Patience and hot irons are needed for this method, but the life of the linen is tremendously prolonged, and the appearance is perfect.

After ironing, everything must be put on a clothes-horse to air before the fire, and then put away in a dry place.

N.B.—Always remember to change the water in which you are washing, and also in the copper frequently.

Take several canfuls of boiling soapy water out of the copper every time you remove some of the contents, and put it in the dolly-tub—filling up the copper with clean water and some soap jelly or shredded soap. Linen can never look clean

and white if the water in which it is washed is not clean.

Rinse everything very thoroughly in two or more lots of water.

Do not boil the greasy kitchen towels until everything else is done. Always dry the copper well after using it.

### CENSUS RETURNS.

The following table shows, so far as it has been possible to ascertain, the number of registered Girl Guides in the British Empire up to the end of February, 1916. No returns were, however, received from several districts, and a great many new Companies have been formed since this date. The grand total is 38,653.

Bedfordshire	...	...	161
Berkshire	...	...	404
Buckinghamshire	...	...	154
Cambridgeshire	...	...	163
Cheshire	...	...	1,591
Cornwall	...	...	162
Cumberland	...	...	164
Derbyshire	...	...	557
Devonshire	...	...	851
Dorsetshire	...	...	135
Durham County	...	...	887
Essex	...	...	389
Gloucestershire	...	...	743
Hampshire	...	...	659
Herefordshire	...	...	50
Hertfordshire	...	...	604
Huntingdonshire	...	...	57
Kent	...	...	1,166
Lancashire	...	...	4,343
Leicestershire	...	...	93
Lincolnshire	...	...	187
London	...	...	3,572
Middlesex	...	...	485
Norfolk	...	...	233
Northamptonshire	...	...	320
Northumberland	...	...	330
Nottinghamshire	...	...	262
Oxfordshire	...	...	143
Rutlandshire	...	...	14
Shropshire	...	...	363
Somersetshire	...	...	623
Staffordshire	...	...	307
Suffolk	...	...	285
Surrey	...	...	812
Sussex	...	...	760
Warwickshire	...	...	606
Westmorland	...	...	60
Wiltshire	...	...	112
Worcestershire	...	...	237
Yorkshire	...	...	2,845
CHANNEL ISLANDS	...	...	163
SCILLY ISLES	...	...	22
IRELAND	...	...	804
SCOTLAND	...	...	2,408
WALES	...	...	1,474
OVERSEAS DOMINIONS	...	...	7,783

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"We must lose no time in searching the path," said the Captain. "Lead on, Mona." With Mona Prentiss leading the way, the Pansies set out, following her in single file as quickly as possible.

The fog was still very thick, and once the cliff path was reached they realised how very dangerous the passage was under the extremely bad weather conditions.

At first the pathway was wide and gave excellent foothold, but afterwards it became much narrower, and in one or two places was hardly over a couple of feet in width.

The rocks also were very slippery, and a false step might mean a slip down the cliff, which fell away sheer, or a fall into the sea, which could be heard dashing against the rocks fifty feet below.

Slowly the Pansies advanced step by step, hugging the rocky wall of the path all the while.

Not a trace of little Fay had been discovered so far. In the fog, in which they could not discern objects more than three or four yards distant, the walk along the path was a nerve-trying ordeal.

At last they came to the end where the cliff path joined the one leading across the fields to the farm.

Still not a trace of Fay.

What had become of their little comrade? What was the next move?

Mona and Claire raced away to the farm, only to find Fay had not yet turned up.

There was only one thing for it—the cliff path must be searched again.

To hazard a second journey required both courage as well as nerve.

Mona, Claire and Doris Wood volunteered for the task.

This time they proceeded even more slowly, and with extreme caution, pausing every now and again to peer over the edge of the jagged pathway.

Almost half the distance had been covered when Claire, who was slightly ahead, uttered a low cry, which brought Mona and Doris to her side instantly.

"Look—there!" she said, pointing to the pathway where a piece of loose rock appeared to have been recently dislodged.

"It looks as though the pathway might have given way," said Mona, horror stricken. "Perhaps Fay has fallen over and is —"

Tears came into her eyes, and her voice faltered.

Claire knelt down on the rocky path, and peered cautiously over the edge, trying to pierce the mist.

Suddenly a cry escaped her.

"Fay must be down here," she whispered in wesome tones. "I can just see her hat—that's it."

Then, raising her voice, she cried in agonised accents:

"Fay! Fay! are you there?"

Anxiously they listened, but there was no answer—nothing but the dull booming of the waves on the rocks far below.

(To be continued.)

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## WHAT WE ARE DOING.

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

**The How and the Why of Our Movement.**

The past month has seen a step forward in our Movement in the holding of an Officers' Conference by the Commissioners of the London District. Of this an account will be found on another page.

It will no doubt be the forerunner of many more of the same description at other centres.

As a first step, I was invited by the Chairman, Miss Anstruther Thomson, to open the proceedings by stating directly the aims of the Movement and its methods.

These have evidently not been clear to everybody, and it is, of course, essential that they should be thoroughly grasped before Officers can be expected to arrange their schemes for effective work, or even to discuss ideas.

It has therefore been suggested to me that I should repeat for wider information the points which I stated to the Conference, and I do so with much pleasure.

**Our Aim.**

To put women on a better standing as citizens than they have had heretofore—*i.e.*, on terms of comradeship rather than dependency—by developing

Character;	Helpfulness to others;
Handicraft;	Health.

We are here dealing with women of *all* grades—more especially the poorer.

**The Need.***Character Training of Children.*

There should be little need of Boy Scouts and other schemes for inculcating character if the mother's influence and teaching were always up to the needs of the day.

But these cannot inculcate what they have not got. Hence the importance of Character development among the future mothers of our race.

**Drunkenness**, with all its train of crime and thriftlessness, poverty and dirt, disease and national inefficiency in the poorer quarters, is, to some considerable extent, attributable to squalid homes mismanaged by inefficient, spiritless wives.

**Waste of Good Human Material** has been prevalent in the nation in the past—at any rate on the female side—till the war came and showed that, besides playing tennis or playing

the piano, women were quite as capable of playing their part and playing the game for their Country as the men, provided that they were given equal opportunity and equal encouragement to become efficient.

**Infant Mortality** and physical deficiency still handicap our national development, and the causes are largely preventable where there is better health and better hygienic knowledge among the mothers.

Hence the importance and need of such training as is here advocated.

**Weak Points of Women.**

Admitting all the good qualities which the majority of women possess, we must look out for the points of inefficiency which might handicap some of them, and endeavour to combat them.

It must be remembered that many of these weak points are the outcome of the false position assigned to women by custom rather than of inherent incapacity on their part; they are therefore remediable.

The diagram overleaf is a suggestion of the possible inefficiencies, their causes, and their preventives through the Guide movement, and presents our scheme in a condensed form for ready comprehension.

(N.B.—The list of inefficiencies is not mine, but was suggested by women, so please don't blame me, but reduce or add to it as your experience may suggest.)

It may be noted that the proposed remedies are PREVENTIVES, not CURES—*i.e.*, they are designed for the rising generation of citizens of to-morrow, not for the grown-ups of to-day.

They are matters of EDUCATION, not of INSTRUCTION—that is, they are the expansion of the natural gifts within the child and not the imposition of dogmatic knowledge from without.

CHARACTER and RESPONSIBILITY are the essential qualities; they can only be developed through the individual, and not through the mass.

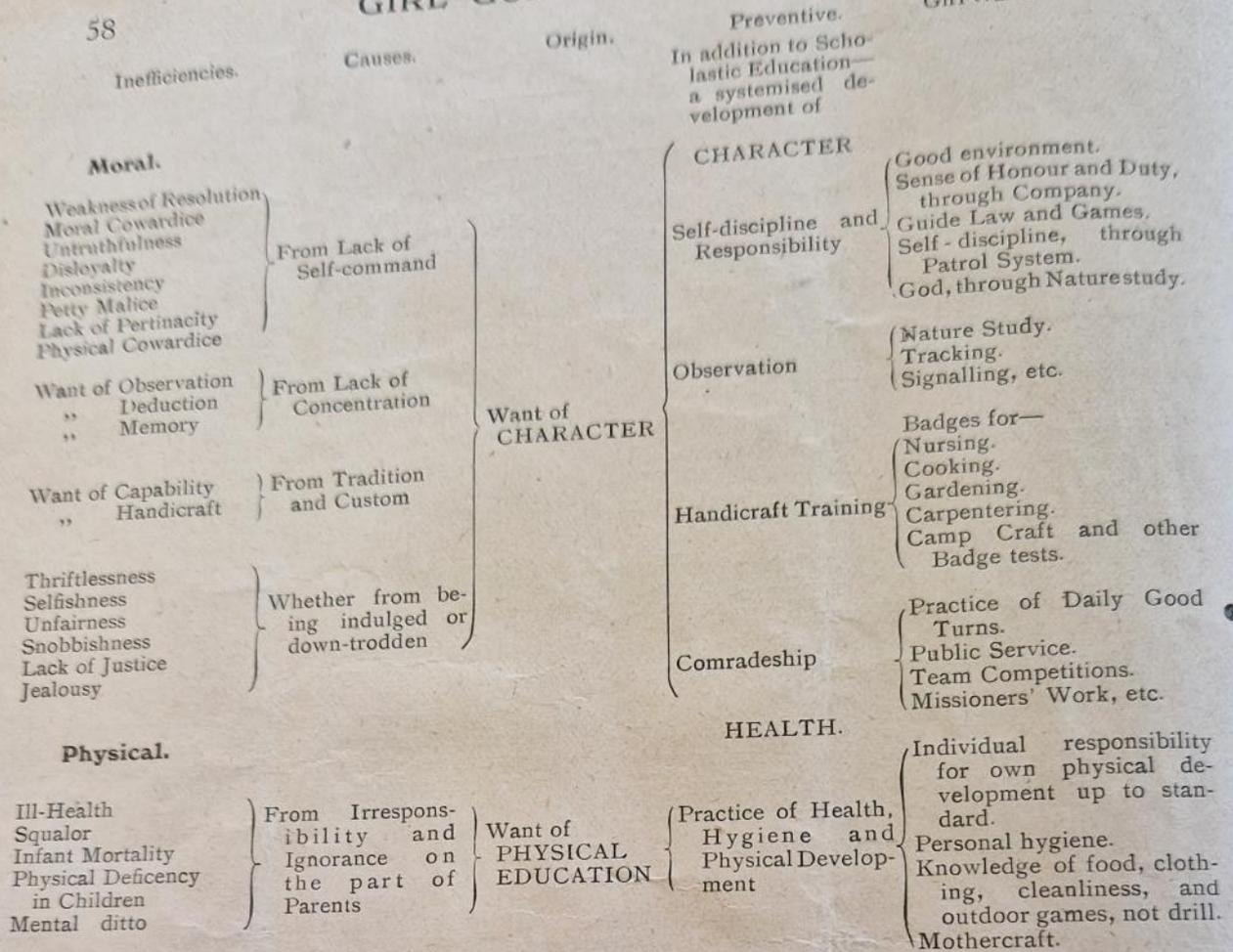
**Method.**

ACTIVE DOING OF THINGS rather than PASSIVE RECEPTION OF IDEAS is our method of self-training for the girls.

The Guide education is through games and practices such as really appeal to the girl. *It is a scheme of elder and younger sisters playing games together, rather than the instruction of privates by officers in a cut and dried disciplinary machine, or of pupils by school-teachers in an academic curriculum.*

Cheery, healthy enjoyment and happy comradeship should be the principle, as supplying the best preventive to the possible inefficiencies.

The leading qualification desired of officers



is remembrance of their own girlhood, an understanding of the psychology of, and close sympathy with, girls.

### Organisation.

The **Patrol** under its girl leader is the important unit.

The **Company** is merely a convenient administrative grouping of Patrols under a Captain, whose main duty is to give the right impetus to the girls.

The **Local Association** is a body of representative people in the place, whose standing insures the soundness of the movement in the eyes of parents and public. They are mainly responsible for the Captains who are selected.

**Company Committees** of parents are useful for giving local support.

### Administration.

Administration is decentralised into Counties and Districts, each District managing its own affairs.

There are purposely no REGULATIONS, but merely RULES, as of a game, on the broadest and simplest principles, leaving details to be filled in to suit local circumstances.

**Commissioners** are appointed by the Execu-

tive Council to represent Headquarters in the Counties and Districts. Their duty is to see that the broad policy of the Movement is adhered to, to encourage local development and efficiency, and to be the medium of touch between the local Guides and Headquarters.

The **Headquarters Executive**, as directed by the Charter of Incorporation, consists of not more than nine ladies, appointed by the Council to act as the Heads of Departments (e.g., Organisation, Finance, Overseas, Kindred Societies, Publications, Education, Training, Equipment).

This body administers the Movement throughout the Empire.

### Results.

The results in the few years during which the Movement has been experimenting, have exceeded all expectations, both in its universal extension throughout the Empire and in the actual effects on the girls themselves.

These have come about without any "pushing" and without any financial backing, merely on the merits of the scheme itself. This holds out immense hope of what may be possible when it has been thoroughly organised and put on a working footing.

The first step in this direction has been to incorporate the Movement legally under Charter, and the next step is to organise the administration of the various districts and, above all, it is important that everyone interested in it should really understand the aim and the method, the WHY and the HOW, as here suggested.

We have already a membership of 38,653 girls. Their efficiency has been put to a high test and has proved itself in the many and varied war duties performed by them.

#### Conclusion.

I should like to add, as a motto for all who propose to work in the Movement—  
"For Goodness' Sake, Laugh while you Work!"

#### DEVELOPMENT & ORGANISATION.

I have said above that I am hoping for further Officers' Conferences before long, but these cannot well be carried out until our organisation is in a more completed condition.

**COMMISSIONERS.**—This is being effected in a most promising way. *County Commissioners* are being appointed to represent the Headquarters Council in each County, and their duty is to appoint *District Commissioners* to represent them and to encourage the development of the Movement throughout their respective districts.

**DISTRICTS.**—For general convenience it has been found best and most practical to use the existing Parliamentary Divisions as marked on the County maps for the areas to be administered by District Commissioners. Towns which return a Member of Parliament naturally rank also as Districts.

**DISTRICT CAPTAINS.**—The District Commissioner will generally do well to select one of the ablest of her Captains to act as her technical adviser and Staff Officer under the title of District Captain. (N.B.) This is not a rank, but a temporary appointment.

**LOCAL COMMITTEES.**—The District Commissioner forms Local Committees of representative people in the different centres within her District, and these stand as a guarantee for the soundness of the Movement and for the selection of Captains in their locality. So soon as this organisation is completed throughout the Kingdom—and it will not be long before this is the case—I venture to prophesy that the Movement will go ahead at a great pace. We shall then hope to bring about conferences for the fuller discussion of methods and experiences.

*Robert Baden-Powell*

## 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 CONFERENCE.

The first Conference of the Commissioners and Officers of London and Greater London was held on March 25th. About 200 Guide Officers were present, in addition to the President (Miss Baden-Powell), Sir Robert and Lady Baden-Powell, and members of the Executive Council.

The Conference was divided into two parts, with an interval of an hour for tea. The first part was devoted to speeches from distinguished guests, and the second part to speeches bearing exclusively upon Guide matters.

The opening speech was made by Sir Robert, who was followed by the Commanding Officer of the Women's Volunteer Reserve, the Commandant of the School of Women Signallers, the Chief Officer of the Women's Police Service, Miss Baden-Powell, and the President of the National Land Council.

Before each speech, the name of the speaker was signalled by flag by Captain Beveridge, of the Abergavenny Guides.

At five o'clock the afternoon sitting closed, and at 6 o'clock the evening sitting was opened with a speech by the Countess of Carrick, followed by A. Barralet, Esq., Organising Secretary of the Boy Scouts, Miss Thorndike, Mrs. Blyth, of the Officers' Training School, and others.

The Conference closed at 8 o'clock with the singing of "God Save the King."

Arising out of this Conference, the "School of Women Signallers and Telegraphists" will hold an evening class for Guides and Officers for the next few Friday evenings, at 7.45 sharp, at St. Andrew's Hall, Carlisle Place (close to Victoria Station).

If a sufficient number of Guides avail themselves of this opportunity of learning first-class signalling, the classes will continue to be held permanently.

Fee 3d. per head per lesson. Guides to bring their own flags.

#### London and District.

**East London.**—It has been decided to arrange a meeting at least once a year of all the Captains of Jewish Companies in England to dis-

cuss any purely Jewish questions. Miss Schlesinger, 9, Palace Green, W., would be grateful for the names and addresses of Captains of Jewish Companies.

**England.**

**Alderley Edge.**—In response to a personal appeal by Miss Georgie Fyfe for her work in Belgium, the local Company has sent her £7 5s., part of which was raised by the sale of home-made jam.

This Company entirely maintains the Girl Guides' Red Cross Laundry, and many barrow loads of vegetables, hundreds of fresh eggs, piles of notepaper, cakes, fruit, etc., have been given to the soldiers. £10 is being sent to the Hut Fund.

A vegetable-growing competition has been organised to induce Guides to make use of every available plot of ground for food production.

**Aldingham.**—In order to raise money for the purchase of uniforms, the 1st Aldingham Company organised a whist drive and entertainment. £2 of the proceeds were sent to the Hut Fund.

**Bath.**—The 3rd Bath Company has raised £100 for war charities during the past three months. At Easter a play is to be given in aid of the Hut Fund. Saturday afternoon practices are being held at the fire station for fire brigade work.

**Birmingham.**—Last month, Mrs. Suckling, Commissioner for Warwickshire, held an inspection rally of Birmingham and district Guides. The following Companies attended: 1st Aston, 1st St. Barnabas, 1st St. Paul's, 1st Smethwick, 1st Settlement, 1st Lozells, 1st Harborne, 1st St. Jude's, 1st Cotteridge, 1st King's Norton, 1st Northfield, 2nd Central, 1st Solihull.

A Patrol-leaders' Conference will be held early in May. Miss E. Morris, 59, Beach Road, Sparkhill, will be glad to have a note of any subjects for discussion by the end of April.

**Brighton.**—Companies from Portslade, Fishersgate and Shoreham attended a rally at the headquarters of the 1st Hove Company when a variety of exhibitions of Guidecraft were given. Club exercises, Morris dances, drill and methods of rescue from drowning were shown, and a tent was smartly run up. Both the 1st Hove and the Shoreham Companies have been fortunate to receive presentations of Colours.

Members of the 4th Brighton Company gave a varied concert to the wounded soldiers at a local military hospital. Old newspapers have been collected and sold for the Hut Fund. A number of Proficiency Badges have been gained.

**Burgess Hill.**—The local Guides gave a display last month, when Mrs. Jennings (Commissioner for Brighton) presented badges and gave an address. A varied programme was rendered, concluding with songs round the camp fire. The display was repeated a fort-

night later to a crowded audience. Ten shillings have been sent to the Hut Fund.

**Calverley.**—The local Guides and their friends were entertained to supper by Mr. and Mrs. Matthews. The sum of £1 15s. 6d. was raised for the Hut Fund.

**Golden Common.**—At a cost of 4s. 6d. each (including hats), the local Brownies are able to make their own uniforms. These are of navy blue—just like the Guides—with the tucks and pockets, but no shoulder straps—and for tidiness' sake are in one piece. The girls wear brown ties, brown belts, and brown hair ribbons.

**Darwen.**—The 1st Darwen Company, which is attached to St. George's Church, has done all sorts of useful war work, including the making of comforts for the Troops and Boy Scouts on coastguard duty, while invaluable help has been given at Moss Bridge Hospital.

**Derby.**—All the local Companies are doing good work in various ways, both for the troops and to make themselves proficient in Guidecraft.

**Gloucester.**—A new Company has been started at Clifton Down which promises to be a great success as an Officers' Corps. The Guides are training under the able leadership of Miss M. T. Nott.

**Hadfield.**—Miss Roydon, the County Commissioner for Cheshire, inspected the 1st Hadfield Company last month and was much pleased with their smartness and efficiency. Displays of military, physical and stretcher drill and first aid were given. A march past and the singing of the National Anthem brought the proceedings to a close.

**Hertfordshire.**—A Rally of Hertfordshire Guides is to be held at Hertford in August. Any Companies wishing to take part in it should communicate with Miss L. Trotter, Brickendon Grange, Hertford.

**Hull.**—The 10th Hull (All Saints) Company has recently been formed; it contains four patrols.

**Ilkeston.**—An excellent idea has been adopted by the 1st Ilkeston Company, whose members fraternise with the Guides at Alfreton to their mutual advantage. Observation walks and paperchases have taken place, while an operetta has been performed three times for various funds.

**Manchester (Central Division).**—Quarterly Sunday Parades have been instituted; the first is to take place on April 30th. Captains' meetings are held monthly. The sixteen Companies in the Division have been holding concerts, trading with pennies, etc., for the benefit of the Recreation Hut in France.

The Members of the 31st Manchester (1st Didsbury) Company, by an entertainment at which the Brownies made their first—a very successful—public appearance, made £3 10s. in aid of the institute in which it holds its meetings.

The 50th Manchester (1st Chorlton) Company realised £40 for local Red Cross Hospitals by a performance of "Katawampus." All the costumes, which were extremely effective, were home made.

The musical play, "Cinderella," was performed by the 80th Manchester (1st Greenheys) Company in aid of Company funds, £5 being raised. The entertainment was repeated by request before 300 children belonging to the poorest part of Manchester.

**Manley.**—The 1st Manley Company gave an entertainment on two nights, the proceeds being divided between the Oxford Mission to Calcutta, sailors' and soldiers' comforts and the Guide Fund. A piece of ground has been lent to the girls for cultivation.

**Okehampton.**—The local Company now numbers 39, including Officers. A successful entertainment has been given on behalf of the Serbian Relief Fund.

**Oxford.**—On March 4th some of the local Companies gave an entertainment in aid of the Serbian Relief and Red Cross Funds. "The Empire's Honour," by the Hon. Mrs. Gell, was most successfully performed by the 2nd Oxfords, and various songs and recitations were given by some of the other Companies. Quite a substantial sum was raised.

A Rally of some two hundred Oxfordshire Guides was held on March 11th, to welcome Miss Baden-Powell, who was supported on the platform by Miss Hawkins, District Commissioner; Mrs. Sanderson-Furniss, local Vice-President, and other friends. A number of badges and Officers' Warrants were presented, while competitions were held in knot-tying, Morse signalling, ambulance work and cooking, for which Miss Baden-Powell awarded prizes. A short sketch descriptive of Our Flag, written by a local Captain, was also performed. A most successful afternoon was spent, marred only by the weather.

It is interesting to note that since their last public Rally, held in June, 1915, the Oxfordshire Guides have doubled their number, and there are now twelve Companies in the Association, of which eight belong to the city.

**Penshurst.**—The 1st Penshurst Company has two Patrols, with one Patrol of Brownies attached to it. The Guides have made sandbags and collected magazines to send out to the Front, in addition to making money for the Red Cross by carol-singing. Good progress is being made in milking lessons, semaphore work, first-aid work, etc.

**Ramsgate.**—The Colours of the 2nd Ramsgate Company (presented by a friend) were

dedicated on March 25th, and handed over to Patrol-leader Henniker on behalf of the Company. Another parcel of clothing for the Serbian refugees has been completed.

**Scilly.**—Excellent progress is being made by the Isles of Scilly Company in spite of the impossibility of getting a clubroom owing to Government requirements. A Penny Bank has been started, and a very attractive monthly magazine. Most of the Guides made their own blouses as well as their signalling flags.

**Shildon.**—The 1st Shildon Company is raising money for the Hut Fund by selling hot home-made pies and peas every Friday evening.



The 1st Swindon Company at fire drill; twenty-nine of the Guides have won the Fire Brigade Badge.

**Shrewsbury.**—On March 30th the 3rd Shrewsbury Company gave the first display ever arranged locally, the programme including songs, drill, a cantata, "Flags of the Nations," and a display, "Guides to the Rescue." Badges were presented by the Commissioner, Mrs. Harold Cock.

**Southend.**—Members of the 1st Southend Company paraded at St. George's Presbyterian Church in honour of the Rev. E. Nicols, who was home on leave from the Front.

**Staindrop.**—Among other activities, the members of the 1st Staindrop Company are knitting socks and scarves for the sailors and soldiers. A concert is to be given at Easter for the Recreation Hut.

**Suffolk.**—On Whit Monday a rally, at which Lady Baden-Powell has promised to be present,

will be held at the Lodge, Halesworth, by kind permission of Mrs. Babington.

Competitions for a shield presented by Mrs. Babington will be open to all Guide Companies in Suffolk. Full particulars can be obtained from the County Secretary, Miss Birch, Levington, near Ipswich.

**Teignmouth.**—The members of the 1st Teignmouth Company are preparing for a display in aid of the Hut Fund. Old newspapers are being collected, and the senior Lieutenant is working at the local V.A.D. Hospital.

**Warwick.**—The Red Rose and Lily Patrols of the 1st Warwick Company cleared £5 for the Warwick Girls' Club by an entertainment last month. Outstanding items were the displays of club swinging and signalling.

#### Scotland.

**Edinburgh.**—A rally of the Midlothian Companies, and an inspection by Lady Beatty, is to be held in West Queen Street Gardens on Saturday, May 13th, at 3 o'clock. Admission tickets, to include tea, can be obtained from Miss Mina Brown, 5, Corrennie Gardens, Edinburgh.

**Kilmallie.**—Ten members of the Kilmallie (1st Inverness-shire) Company made £11 2s. 6d. by means of an entertainment. The money was spent on wool and flannel, and a weekly work party for the soldiers is now held. At Christmas each Guide sent a local soldier a parcel containing two pairs of socks knitted by herself, cigarettes and chocolates.

The Guides are going to provide the Ipswich War Work Depot with sphagnum moss throughout the spring and summer.

**Kinross and Milnathort.**—The 1st Kinross and Milnathort Company, though deprived of their headquarters by the military, have continued their work during the winter months. With part of their funds they are knitting, and have already despatched comforts to the "needy Tommies." They have now started in earnest their work for the summer, and are busily engaged preparing for various Class and Proficiency tests.

#### Ireland.

**Dublin.**—A very successful evening was spent on March 16th. Guides from eleven Companies taking part in various examinations for First-Class, Pathfinder, Signaller, Laundress, Needlewoman, Clerk, and Cyclist Badges. The standard of the work shown was very good, and a large percentage of passes was secured.

Miss Blandford, Lady Secretary, St. John Ambulance Association, who took charge of the Ambulance examination, expressed herself as greatly surprised and pleased with the excellence of the answers.

The 1st, S. Dublin Company gave three performances of a musical fairy play on March 3rd and 4th to earn money for the Red Cross, and were able to hand over £8 to the Work-room Guilds in Danson Street and Rathmines. This money will be used to buy material for garments for wounded soldiers, and will be

made up free of cost by voluntary workers. Several of the senior members of this Company spent St. Patrick's Day, by special invitation, at Lisburn with the 1st Lisburn Company, who gave them a very happy day.

The Captain of the 4th S. Dublin has resigned her Company on her marriage. Several of her Guides were present at the wedding ceremony, and formed a guard of honour to the happy pair. They presented the bride with a clock and a Thanks Badge.

**Lisburn.**—The local Guides have been busy knitting mufflers and socks for the Troops, for whom the Brownies have made bags which they filled with chocolates, cigarettes, matches, candles, bootlaces, etc. Pamphlets were distributed for the Parcel Depot.

The Company took part in an entertainment at the Belfast U.V.F. Hospital.

#### Wales.

**Cardiff.**—Two performances of the cantata, "The Wishing Cap," were given by the 4th Cardiff Company for the benefit of some Sunday school funds. £10 were realised. A presentation was made to Captain Payn on behalf of the Officers and Guides.

**Dwrbach.**—The local Guides are arranging each to do a day's work, devoting the proceeds to the Recreation Hut.

**Llanishen.**—The members of the 1st Llanishen Company are collecting old bottles, jam jars and newspapers to sell in order to support a bed at the Welsh Hospital, Netley. The Guides rent an allotment garden and grow vegetables for sale.

Two War Service Badges have been gained and a Patrol of Brownies is going happily.

#### Overseas.

**Vancouver.**—In February a most successful entertainment was given by the local Guides. One of the features of the occasion was a display entitled "Be Prepared," fuller particulars of which we hope to be able to find room for later in THE GAZETTE.

### THE HANDBOOK.

As the Handbook is at present undergoing revision, it would be most helpful if District Commissioners would kindly consult their Officers regarding possible amendments, corrections, or additions to the book.

All suggestions should be sent in to Miss G. I. Thorndike, Head of the Training Department, Redcroft, Dartmouth Row, Blackheath, S.E. not later than May 15th.

### A CORRECTION.

Miss Thorndike wishes to correct a clerical mistake made in her article on "Where to wear the Guide Badges," in last month's issue of the *Gazette*. The annual Service stars are worn on the *left* hand pocket flap, not on the right as stated.

**THE RECREATION HUT FUND.**

LADY BADEN-POWELL'S APPEAL.

DEAR GUIDES,

The Hut Fund is mounting up—slowly, but we hope surely.

Some Companies have sent in money raised by entertainments; some have raised it by work on the part of the girls individually; some seem to have had a store of "Company Funds" stowed away somewhere, and some of this has been forwarded for helping us to buy the Recreation Hut for the men in France.

You will all be glad to hear that the Hut that you are giving is already being built, and we hope very soon to be able to start work in it, trusting to the balance of the amount required being subscribed. The Hut is situated in a "rest camp."

This is a camp to which come the soldiers who have been in the trenches for weeks without a break; and you can well imagine how great a relief it is to them to be away out of danger and perpetual anxiety, and also out of reach of the continuous and awful roar of the guns, and the noise of shells hurtling over their heads.

Here in this rest camp the Guides' Hut is much needed, for although the time of rest is more than welcome to the men, yet they find that the hours sometimes hang heavily on their hands if they have only their cold, damp, dark tents to lie in.

In your Hut they will be able to sit and read, write letters to their families and friends at home; they can have concerts and entertainments; and they can also get light refreshments which they will appreciate to the full after having lived for so long on the somewhat sketchy fare in the trenches.

This is what will happen when we have got the necessary money for starting the Hut. And now I want to suggest to those Guides who have not as yet had a hand in this scheme a way by which to raise a little contribution towards completing the sum.

It has been suggested that the Guides should have a "Day." When a "Day" is spoken of as a rule, it means a sort of display and fête when people go marching about the streets waving flags and incidentally asking for money from the passers-by.

Well, that is not the sort of day that we want, is it? If we have a Guide Day it must be a really nice one. No asking people for money; no parading about the streets. It should be a day when Guides will earn and make money in the most Guide-like way possible.

The day that has been suggested to be kept as Guide Day is May 13th.

Perhaps that sounds unlucky to some of you if you are superstitious.

But really superstitions cannot count in a matter like this, where the object of the day is to do such a big Good Turn to others. I hope, therefore, that if this idea appeals to you all, you will make a big effort on that day to raise even a few shillings to swell the Hut Fund.

The members of the Hut Committee have put forward the following suggestions for Captains and Guides who are anxious to help, but who so far have not had the time or opportunity for obtaining any funds.

A Captain might send a letter to the houses of people she knows of personally, asking whether there would be any odd jobs for her girls to do for them on May 13th—such as cleaning windows, washing clothes, weeding paths, taking the baby out for an airing, mending stockings, etc., etc. Payment for these would go to the Hut Fund.

The girls would do the work individually or by Patrols, and Patrols will probably vie with each other to see which can raise the most.

Where a whole Company wants to work together in the matter, it can probably raise quite a nice sum by getting up a concert and giving displays of Guide work.

A great many people have seen Girl Guides walking about, but yet do not know what their duties are, and a demonstration of these would interest them very much.

As an alternative, a tea-party can be made a most enjoyable and paying entertainment, as can also a cake and candy sale, where the goods are made and served by the Guides themselves.

Yet another suggestion is made which perhaps will appeal to you less, and that is "that the Company should go through its accounts very carefully in order to see whether some of its requirements could be sacrificed, and the sum thus saved, however small, might be devoted to the Hut Fund."

Many Guides, I hear, are denying themselves sweets, picture palaces, and other

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luxuries, and are putting the money saved in this way into the Fund towards completing the 10,000 shillings required.

This is a fine example of self-denial on their part. But their reward in knowledge that they have done a good turn to the men will make it well worth while.

OLAVE BADEN-POWELL.

The following amounts have been received since the issue of last month's GAZETTE:—

	£	s.	d.
Amount previously acknowledged ...	51	6	2
St. Paul's, Blackburn, Company ...	0	10	0
2nd Derby Company ...	0	5	0
1st Penge Company ...	0	10	0
1st Warley Company ...	1	0	0
1st Putney Company ...	2	18	6
1st Bury St. Edmunds Company ...	1	16	0
2nd Worthing Company ...	0	10	0
1st Petworth Company ...	3	0	0
1st Clevedon Company ...	0	13	3½
1st Dunoon Company ...	0	8	6
1st Kendal Company ...	2	10	0
3rd Exeter Company ...	0	7	6
1st Worcester Company ...	0	7	6
2nd Holloway Company ...	3	5	6
1st Lewes Company ...	1	0	0
1st Little Melton Company ...	0	3	6
1st Ryde Company ...	1	10	0
2nd Wallasey Company ...	0	5	0
1st Felixstowe Company ...	0	3	6
1st Leominster Company ...	0	5	3
4th Portsmouth Company ...	0	10	0
1st Liverpool Company ...	1	5	6
2nd Taunton Company ...	0	13	0
Darlington Company ...	1	6	0
1st Plumstead Company ...	0	6	6
1st Broughty Ferry Company ...	0	12	0
Alton Company ...	1	10	0
1st Westminster Company ...	1	3	0
1st Lisburn (Co. Antrim) Company ...	3	0	0
1st Lochee Company ...	0	10	6
Headquarters, Y.W.C.A. ...	0	7	6
2nd Hull Company ...	0	19	0
1st Weston-super-Mare Company ...	1	10	0
5th Ealing Company ...	1	0	0
3rd Cheltenham Company (second instalment) ...	0	3	10
Miss Swinburne-Hanham ...	0	5	0
1st Brixham Company ...	0	12	6
2nd Clevedon Company ...	0	7	0
3rd and 4th Clevedon Companies ...	0	11	7
5th Clevedon Company ...	1	9	0
"A Patrol in Herts" ...	0	1	3
1st Morocco Patrol ...	0	10	6
Miss P. Bromley ...	0	1	0
Miss Bosanquet ...	0	2	6
1st Barnet Company ...	0	11	10
E. L. Heatley ...	1	1	0
Miss Miller ...	3	3	0
1st Leicester Company ...	1	10	0
3rd Bath Company (second instalment) ...	5	0	0
Colden Common Guides and Brownies ...	0	7	0

2nd Ramsgate Company ...	1	1	0
St. Margaret's Hall School, Dublin ...	3	11	0
1st Burgess Hill Company (first instalment) ...	0	10	0
Miss B. Foster ...	0	1	0
The Kerri School, Reigate ...	3	0	0
1st Teddington Company ...	0	8	6
Catterick Company ...	0	5	0
Catterick Committee ...	0	5	0
1st Leigh and Westcliff Company ...	1	1	0
1st Swindon Company ...	0	10	0
1st Oswaldtwistle Company ...	0	10	6
1st Crosshills Company ...	0	10	0
1st Addingham Company ...	2	0	0
3rd Guernsey Company ...	2	10	0
1st Beckenham Company (first instalment) ...	0	10	6
2nd Bath Company (first instalment) ...	2	10	0
3rd Bath Company (third instalment) ...	5	0	0
1st Darwen Company ...	1	0	0
2nd Gloucester Company ...	0	10	0
1st Northants Company ...	0	2	6
3rd Derby Company ...	0	10	0
Port Elizabeth Guides ...	3	19	0
Roedean School ...	16	8	10
2nd Bexhill Company ...	8	0	0
St. Thomas Blackburn Company ...	14	12	0
1st Durham (Ronaldkirk) Company ...	2	10	0
1st Bayswater Company ...	1	0	0
3rd Bath Company (4th instalment) ...	5	0	0
Malvern Company ...	1	0	0
1st Alfreton ...	16	6	
13th Bristol Company ...	1	0	0
Miss MacDonald (Dorchester) ...	10	0	
Miss Cameron (Hyde Park) ...	10	0	

## GIRL GUIDE OFFICERS' TRAINING SCHOOL.

(East End Branch).

One of the great difficulties in the way of the extension of the Girl Guide Movement in the East End is the lack of adequate facilities for the training of Officers. It is therefore proposed to start an East End Centre for this purpose.

The authorities at Toynbee Hall have offered the use of two rooms rent free to be used as the headquarters of the school, where members can meet for mutual help, and where practice can be had in cooking, cleaning, laundry work, etc. Lectures and classes can be arranged either in the daytime or in the evening, or at both times if the demand is sufficient.

Names of applicants for training should be sent to Miss Fraser-Smith, Nelson House, Cold Harbour, Poplar, who will be glad to give any further information or receive any suggestions. Members of the school will be charged a nominal fee of 2s. 6d. per annum.

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Haversacks (Single Division)	1/-	3d.	Whistles	9d.	1d.
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