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## HEADQUARTERS' NOTICES.

**A**T a meeting of the Headquarters' Executive Committee, held on September 18, Miss Rudyerd-Helpman, County Commissioner for Merionethshire, has been appointed Head of the Publications Department.

### IMPORTANT NOTICES ABOUT THE PEACE CELEBRATIONS.

*Invitations.*—Any Guiders or Guides who are able to attend the meeting and who have not had invitations may send up their names to Miss Rudyerd-Helpman. Seats will be allotted in strict rotation, so please send up as soon as possible.

*N.B.*—Those Companies who are unable to send up Patrol Leaders may send two Guides instead. One Brown Owl and one Sixer is included independently of the three from each Company. Every one is requested to be in uniform, unless absolutely impossible.

*Time.*—(1). Will Guiders please bring their Guides to the Albert Hall as near 2 p.m. as possible. Every one is requested to be in their seats not later than 2.45. The organ will play from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

(2). The Rally will commence at 3 p.m. punctually, and is expected to finish not later than 5.15.

*Seats.*—Places will be allotted in counties. Every County Commissioner will be sent the tickets for her county, and is asked to distribute them to her various companies.

(Those County Commissioners who will be away, please notify Miss Rudyerd-Helpman who she is to send the tickets to.)

*Flags.*—Every Company is invited to bring up their flag, which will be carried by one of their representatives. County flags may also be brought if desired, but no Union Jacks.

*Food.*—As it is impossible to provide refreshments for so many hundreds, every Guider is asked to see that each of her Guides brings something to eat.

*Hospitality.*—County Commissioners are urged to send in their lists as soon as possible. Guides of the same county will, as far as possible, be given accommodation in the same house, but owing to the great difficulty in obtaining rooms, Miss Talbot-Rice cannot

guarantee this. Those Guiders arriving in London on the day of the Rally, and who will be spending a night, are advised to write to Headquarters, stating this, so that a London Guider may meet them at the station and make arrangements to take their luggage direct to their destination, so that no time need be lost in getting to the Albert Hall. For the convenience of Headquarters, please send up the times of the trains as soon as possible.

*Commissioners.*—Mrs. Courtauld has very generously offered to give tea to any Commissioners (County, Division and District) at her house, 8, Palace Green, after the Rally. It will be a great opportunity for Commissioners to be able to meet. Those Commissioners accepting Mrs. Courtauld's kind invitation are asked to send in their names to Miss Roch, 24, Sloane Court, S.W.

Many County Commissioners have inquired if they are to find room in their boxes for their own Division and District Commissioners. It is proposed to give seats to Division and District Commissioners in the stalls unless they prefer being in the box. Will any Commissioners who particularly wish to sit with their Guides write and say so.

Any Commissioners or Officers who are coming to London unaccompanied by Guides, and who would be glad of hospitality, are asked to send in their names to Miss Talbot-Rice, as several Guide friends have generously offered hospitality for the night.

*Programme.*—Every one coming to the Rally is asked to thoroughly study the programme which is printed overleaf. We do so want every one to feel that they are taking part in our Thanksgiving, so please will every Guider and Guide learn the tunes and practise the songs, and also get used to the order of the ceremony so that she may not feel strange on the day.

Copies of the "Song of the Flag" may be obtained from Headquarters, price 6d. each.

There will be three rehearsals of the song for the Albert Hall Peace Celebrations at the Boudoir Theatre, Pembroke Gardens, West Kensington, on Thursdays, October 16, 23 and 30, from 6.30 to 8 p.m. All Guides and Guiders will be welcome.

## PROGRAMME.

2 p.m.

## ORGAN SELECTIONS by

- (a) Carmen and Faust (*Bisot and Gounod*).  
 (b) The Lost Chord (*Sullivan*).  
 (c) Largo (*Handel*).  
 (d) Hymn of Praise (*Mendelssohn*).  
*Guides and Guides are requested to be at the Albert Hall as near after 2 p.m. as possible. Everyone is asked to be in their seats by 2.45.*

3 p.m. ENTRANCE OF THE CHIEFS.

1. O GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES PAST,  
 Our hope for years to come,  
 Our shelter from the stormy blast,  
 And our eternal home.

Beneath the shadow of Thy Throne  
 Thy saints have dwelt secure ;  
 Sufficient is Thine Arm alone,  
 And our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood,  
 Or earth received her frame,  
 From everlasting Thou art God,  
 To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in Thy sight  
 Are like an evening gone,  
 Short as the watch that ends the night  
 Before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,  
 Bears all its sons away ;  
 They fly forgotten as a dream  
 Dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past,  
 Our hope for years to come,  
 Be Thou our guide while troubles last,  
 And our eternal home.—Amen.  
*(To be sung by everyone standing.)*

2. THANKSGIVING PRAYER.

3. CHIEF GUIDE says :—" In this great hour of Victory in remembrance of those who died for you, and in the name of God, will you resolve to maintain the great traditions of our race, and, by the Grace of God, to make our lives worthy of this great Victory ? "

4. GUIDES, standing at half salute, reply together :—  
 " We will ; by God's help, we will."  
*(Guides sit.)*

5. THE RECESSIONAL. By Rudyard Kipling.  
 Music by Margaret Meredith.  
 To be sung by a choir of solo voices from the Independent Music Club and accompanied by the Composer.  
*(No applause.)*

6. *(All stand.)* CHIEF GUIDE says :—" Let the Guides keep silence in honour of heroes who died that Liberty might live."  
*(SILENCE.)*

*(One minute's silence, at the end of which the " Last Post " will be sounded by the Buglers from the 33rd West London Troop of Boy Scouts.)*

*(Guides sit.)*

SOLO.

7. *(No applause.)*

8. AN ADDRESS. By Miss Maud Royden.

9. *(All stand.)* RÉVEILLÉ. Sounded by 33rd West London Troop.

10. ROLL OF DRUMS. Sounded by 33rd West London Troop.

Guides stand at full salute while the Union Jack is carried in by the D.C.C. for London and the Home Counties, Mrs Mark Kerr, and her colour party, who walk slowly up the aisle on to the platform and stand facing the entire audience. Upon a given signal from the Chief Guide everyone is invited to join in the loyal cry :—

" God save the King and our Empire of Liberty."

11. *(Solo.)* " LAND OF HOPE AND GLORY."  
*(Chorus to be sung by entire audience.)*

Land of hope and glory,

Mother of the free,

How shall we extol thee ?

Who are born of thee ?

Greater still and greater

Shall thy glory be,

God, who made thee mighty,

Make thee mightier yet.

God, who made thee mighty,

Make thee mightier yet.

12. (a) ENTER SCOTCH FLAG carried by the D.C.C. for Scotland, Miss Buchan-Hepburn, and her colour party whilst the organ plays.

- (b) ENTER IRISH FLAG carried by the D.C.C. for Ireland, Viscountess Powerscourt, and her colour party whilst the organ plays.

- (c) ENTER WELSH FLAG carried by the D.C.C. for Wales, Miss Olive Nicholl, and her colour party whilst the organ plays :—

" Land of Our Fathers."

*(It is hoped that during the entrance of these flags the audience will sing the National airs.)*

The three flags will salute the Union Jack and take up their positions directly behind.

13. ENTRANCE OF ALL THE FLAGS OF THE COLONIES and the Standards of every country that has Guides.

During this procession the organ will play the various national anthems. The Standard-bearers with standards will arrange themselves in a semi-circle on the platform.

*(Audience will sit.)*

AN ADDRESS by the Chief Scout.

14. GIRL GUIDE SONG. To be sung by everyone.  
 15. During the singing of this, those Guides who are to carry up their flags are to fetch them and form up under the direction of Mrs. Janson Potts. IMPORTANT NOTICE.—As many hundreds of Guides will be there, it is essential that every Guide shall do exactly as she is told, so as to avoid any disturbance.

16. CHIEF GUIDE says:—"Standard Bearers, come forward and re-dedicate your colours to the service of Mankind."  
 Entrance of the Company colours. Guides will come up in twos, march up the central aisle, salute the Union Jack, divide, one going to the left and one to the right, on to the platform and will take up their position behind those flags already there.

When all flags are on the stage—

17. (Solo.) "SONG OF THE FLAG." Composed by Margaret Meredith.  
 Solo by Miss Hope Jackson.  
 Chorus by the whole audience.

18. GOD SAVE THE KING.

## APPOINTMENTS.

### CHESHIRE.

- Divisional Commissioner.... Mrs. P. Brocklehurst, Hare Macclesfield Hall, Macclesfield.  
 District Commissioner .... Miss C. Stancliffe, Sutton, Macclesfield.

### DURHAM.

- District Commissioner .... Miss K. J. Robinson, Landieu, Hartburn, Stockton-on-Tees.  
 District Commissioner .... Mrs. Dumbleton, 8, Fountain Terrace, West Hartlepool.

### HERTFORDSHIRE (2).

- District Commissioner .... Miss Grundy, Royston, Herts. Royston

### HANTS (1).

- District Commissioner .... Mrs. Birch Reynardson, Lyndhurst, Rushington Manor, Totton.  
 District Commissioner .... The Viscountess de Montmorency Frankfort, North End, Damerham, Salisbury.  
 District Commissioner .... Miss Daniell, Hatchwoods, Odiham, Winchfield, vice The Hon. Joan Selater Booth.  
 District Commissioner .... Miss Rachel Chute, Hillstead, Basingstoke Town.  
 District Commissioner .... Miss Bevis, 20, High Street, Southsea, Portsmouth, vice Miss Cole Baker.

- KENT (2).**  
 Divisional Commissioner.... Miss Bury, West Bank, Green, Sevenoaks Borough.  
 District Commissioner .... Miss Vincent, Hill Side, Bromley, Cromwell Avenue.  
 District Commissioner .... Mrs. Perceval, The Doon, Ashford, Gore Hill, Ashford.

- ISLE OF WIGHT (1).**  
 County Commissioner .... The Marchioness of Carisbrooke, Kensington Palace, London, W. 8, vice Agnes, Lady Cayzer.

- S.E. LANCASHIRE.**  
 District Commissioner .... Miss G. Johnson, Woodleigh, Altrincham.

- LONDON.**  
 District Commissioner .... Miss Bailey, 122B, Buckingham Gate, Lambeth and Brixton.

- NORFOLK.**  
 Divisional Commissioner.... Mrs. Edwards, Hardingham Hall, Attleborough, vice The Lady Bury.  
 District Commissioner .... Miss Sermingeour, Helmsby West Flegg, Hall, vice Mrs. Waters.

- OXFORDSHIRE.**  
 County Commissioner .... Hon. Mrs. Eric North, Wroxton House, Banbury, vice Mrs. Miller.

- STAFFORDSHIRE.**  
 District Commissioner .... Miss D. Heywood, Dove Leys, Rocester, Denstone and Ellastone, Rocester.

- SURREY.**  
 Divisional Commissioner.... Miss Talbot, Glenhurst, Esher, Epsom.  
 District Commissioner .... Mrs. Baird, Halidon, Esher, Esher, Claygate and The Dittons.

- WORCESTERSHIRE.**  
 District Commissioner .... Miss Mary Blomfield, Springfield, Broadway.

- WEST-RIDING YORKSHIRE (South).**  
 County Commissioner .... Mrs. Pickering, A.R.R.C., M.B.E., Bentley, near Doncaster.

- SCOTLAND.**  
 County Commissioner .... Mrs. J. Milne Home, Irvine House, Canonbie, vice The Lady Sybil Phipps.

- District Commissioner .... Mrs. Kenneth Mackenzie, Linlithgow, Longeroft, Linlithgow.  
 District Commissioner .... Mrs. Reid, Ormlie, Bearsden, Bearsden.

- WALES (DENBIGH).**  
 District Commissioner .... Miss Emilie Tales, Pentre Abergele, Abergele.

- OVERSEAS.**  
 Organising Commissioner Mrs. Halliday, 57, Wheatland Road, Malvern, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.  
 County Commissioner .... Miss C. V. M. Allardyce, Government House, Nassau, The Bahamas, British West Indies.

County Secretary The Bahamas	Miss K. A. K. Allardyce, The Bahamas.
Organising Commissioner, Burmah	Miss Chapman, 10, Finchley Road, St. John's Wood.
<b>COUNTY SECRETARIES.</b>	
Dumfriesshire	Miss E. McConnell, Elwick, Sanquhar.
Gaithness	Mrs. W. Mowat, Buchollie, Lybster.
Carmarthen	Miss Nest Pryse-Rice, Lhoyn-y-brain, Llandovery.
S.E. Lancashire	Miss E. Clegg, Brackendene, Altrincham, vice Miss Burgess.
Essex	Miss R. I. Bendall, The Howe, Halstead, vice Mrs. Court-auld.
Oxford	Miss Faith Dayne, The Vicarage, Headington Quarry, Oxford.

**RESIGNATIONS.**

- Mrs. Foljambe, Divisional Commissioner, North West Notts.
- Mrs. Hotchkis, County Secretary, Renfrewshire.
- Miss M. Anstruther, Divisional Commissioner, St. Andrews and Cupar.
- Miss S. Brinkley, District Commissioner, Barford (Warwick).
- Miss A. O. Mayne, County Secretary, Bucks.
- Mrs. Rochford, District Commissioner, Loughton (Essex).
- Mrs. Cole Baker, Divisional Commissioner, Portsmouth (Hants).
- Mrs. Bucknill, District Commissioner, North Portsmouth (Hants).
- Mrs. Stansfield, District Commissioner, Gosport (Hants).
- Mrs. Agnew, Divisional Commissioner, S. Northants.

**CORRECTION AUGUST GAZETTE.**

Brazil should be Argentine Republic. Commissioner, Miss Blair.

**BROWNIES.**

By MISS CALLAWAY (Division Commissioner for East Kent).

**What They Are Not.**

Brownies are not inefficient Guides, they are not immature, unqualified Guides. They have, as "Wolf Cubs" have, a distinctive name because they have a definite and different place in the land of youth. They are delightful human pixies and elves; their atmosphere is rarer than ours, they breathe in an element of wonder and mystery too fresh and clear for adults; to them plants and animals and all natural forces reveal their personalities. It is not that children imagine what isn't there, but they are more sensitive to inner realities, and name them from their limited vocabulary.

You, dear Guider, are often misled as to real values—by notions of fashion, custom, appearance—but little children pass by eccentricities of dress, personal appearance, fashions in furniture, or customary ways, and take to their hearts the gracious soul behind the

ill-fitting, badly-cut garb; to them, the grotesque features of nurse are attractive, as little David said of Peggotty, her beauty was of a different style to that of his mother; they know the real value of sensible, solid old furniture, and love kind truth better than superficial politeness.

So, if you intend to have a really successful Guide Company, study the Brownie as she is, humbly watching, that you may learn something of the marvel and mystery of this time in life's pilgrimage, and prepare the Brownie by whole development for the Guide stage.

**Too Young.**

In your Guide enthusiasm do not tag on to one of your Patrols two or three little girls, and tell them they may only make two promises; they may not wear Guide uniform, they can only do this or that, because they are "too young."

"Too young!" No one of us is too young, nor are any too old; we are, or may be, perfect bud, full blossom, ripe fruit, or wee seed waking into life. Each is a glad perfection in itself.

Let the Brownie feel that she has her own place, let her know that someone understands, and will play her game and make it real and ideal.

To do this the Brownie must be taken separately; a short meeting is far better than uniting them with Guides; that is either a strain, or the results not up to standard, so the Brownie is either petted or discounted by the Guides.

Five minutes' talk on pixie lore with one Brownie is better than putting even one in a Guide Patrol. She would be one of the big fairy realm of Brownies, even if no other were near.

Some Brown Owls ask Commissioners for directions. My query to them is always: "Have you read "Wolf Cubs"? The study of that book is a duty and a delight. "Wolf Cubs" is a revelation of the young boy—a marvellous book of directions for playing with him, while showing him how to do enjoyable things, he becomes the right kind of boy.

**The Brownie Hour.**

In your Brownie hour it is well to have a story, some acting, talk on Brownie lore and practical play, with jingle songs and dance.

With apologies to all Brown Owls but those who really haven't any ideas for beginning, I will give a few hints for a possible first hour or two.

I.

Story of "the Brownies" told to the little group.

Act Brown Owl at the Pond; while others are trees, moon, or Tommy and Betty creeping up.

Talk about Brownie Packs; describe sixes; show emblems and mottoes, and choose theirs.

Play at forming "dancing" and "powwow" rings; singing "LAH."

II.

Story of fairy rings round toad-stools, and how Brownies appear silently and suddenly, and how they hide.

Act hiding and forming circle round totem to listen to Brown Owl.  
 Talk of good deeds. Each thinks of a good deed and tells "Brown Owl." Don't "squash" their ridiculous plans; direct and improve by suggestion. Remind that to help we must learn how to do things. Tell story of a little girl wanting to help, dropping the salt on the floor, splashing water, &c.

Play.—Let them carry peas in a spoon, pebbles on a leaf to present to a Brownie king. Show their acorn sign and help them to find out why acorns wear green frocks in summer and brown ones later. Then explain how Brownies hide, white faces in brown hats, brown frocks against brown back-ground. All hide; the best hidden becomes watcher, and says who was best, and why.

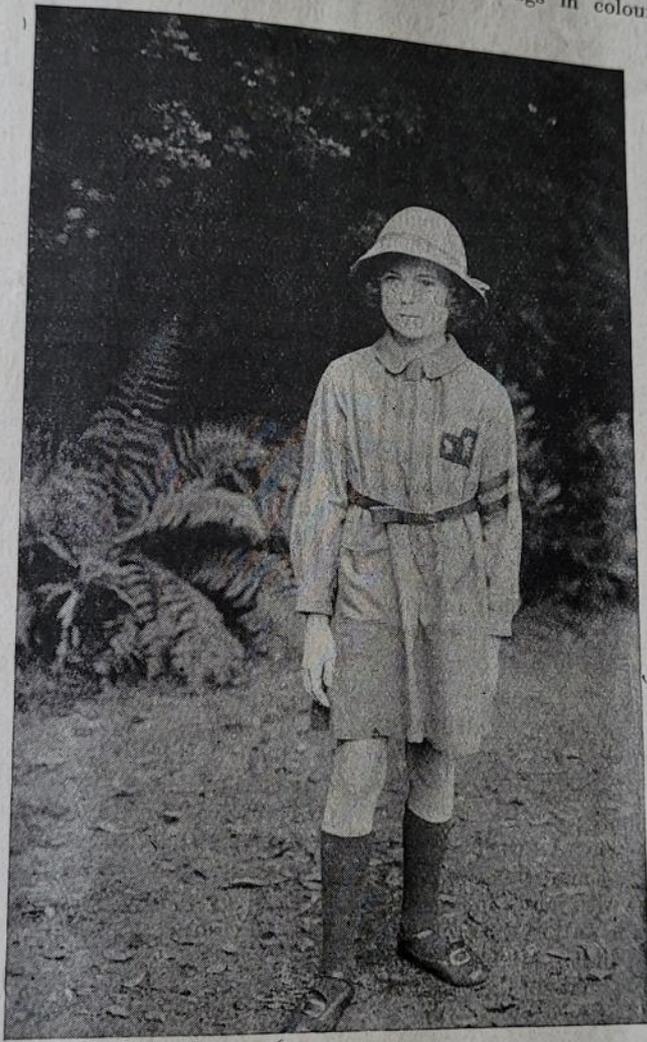
III.

Story about kings and queens in fairyland and fairy law, to show that lawlessness is bad in work or play. The Brownie promises and sign.

Act the salute.

Talk of the Brownies' little ears to their caps and their fingers making ears. A sign of the Brownie listening to the promises and to what Brown Owl says. Describe little Samuel sitting in bed to listen, and jumping up to do his duty to God and Eli. We must listen and obey.

Play.—Every creature leaves a track. We must learn about animals, our friends, by watching tracks and keeping hidden. We must learn to hide our tracks, not because we are sneaks and ashamed, but because Brownies do good deeds secretly, not to be thanked.



We're the Brownies  
 Here's our aim :

Lend a hand and  
 Play the Game.

common-place official names; it is in itself a tribute to their insight and sympathy, their imagination and love. The reward does not lie in decorating, but in the wonderful attachment the Brownies have for "Brown Owl" and their energetic response to and enthusiastic appreciation, of all she does for her "Brownie Pack."  
 M. R. C.

Show drawings of birds' feet, hopping, &c. (This is splendidly done in Wolf Cub's "Eighth Bite.")

IV.

Story of St. George and the Dragon. Show St. George's flag.  
 Act.—Make flags in coloured chalk. Learn a few signals.

Talk of rescuing the weak, hospital work, and "specially those at home." Wee St. George nurses and tired mother or cross baby. Let them take home the flag as a reminder.

Play.—Show that the King is father of our British home by examples of his interest and service. Explain loyalty in speech and action; so practise jumping to position at the word said effectively, "the King," or at the chord for the National Anthem. March past and salute the flag.

In such ways, by story and act, talk and game, true ideas are grasped. Each day a little added, all the play way, with no moralising that is not followed by active results.

Guide games with teams are not so suitable for Brownies as these acting games, they do not play for results, but for imitation itself.

Brown Owls who have once grasped the reason for their strange title will prize it beyond all

## The Chief Guide's Outlook.

To Those whom it may Concern.

**M**IGHT I once more mention to the Gazette readers—and through them to others who may be interested—that the Guide movement is spreading far and wide. The two Councils—the International, which deals with the work in foreign countries, and the Imperial, which deals with the movement in our British Overseas Dominions and Colonies—are now happily very busy, and the Honorary Secretaries (Mrs. Essex Reade and Mrs. Fisher Rowe respectively) are ready and longing for any people who may be leaving England to let them know so that they may arrange if convenient to see or to write to such travellers and to be able also to help to put them in touch with the Guide world “over there”—wherever “over there” may be.

Our Chief Commissioner in India, and also the Chief Commissioner in South Africa, have both written saying what a delight it is to welcome to their shores any girls who have been Guides in the home country, and what a very great help it is to be able to attach them to a Company and to get their co-operation without delay.

Only last month we heard of a Guide Company that had been formed in Tientsin (North China), and the Captain of it had been able to start the work because she had been a Guide in a Company in Kent.

### Extracts from my Post Bag.

I SHOULD bore you if I told of the many delightful things that are told me in letters, but I must quote a few recent remarks.

From a resigning Commissioner :—

“I know you will believe me when I say how really grieved I am to give up my Commissionership, for though I accepted the position with many forebodings and misgivings I have never for an instant ceased to love the work and be engrossed in it. My Guiders are a splendid band of girls, and I cannot speak too highly of their work and loyalty.”

And yet another :—

“I would gladly remain on as County Commissioner if I saw any reasonable chance of being able adequately to fill the post. But the Guides need and deserve some one to shepherd their interests who is able to do far more than I could owing to my being abroad for some months together.

“It is, therefore, because I love the Guides too much and not too little that I am regretfully compelled to give up the post. It will always be a proud and happy recollection to have been associated with you in the wonderful Guide sisterhood.”

“The Newgirl Guide.”

TRAVELLING by train in these days you will see quite a number of girls selling newspapers instead of boys, and it is nice to feel that a great many of these have joined up in the Guides and that their employers are glad that they should do this.

One of the largest of the newsagents, Messrs. W. H. Smith, have got a special magazine for their newsboys and newgirls, and in their issue for September they laid special stress on encouraging their girls to become Guides. The editor urged his readers to write to ask for information about the movement, and printed also the following letter, which speaks for itself :—

“DEAR SIR,—I take a keen interest in the Girl Guides, so I thought it would be of interest to you to relate my first experience. It was only natural for me to be a bit bashful the first night, and especially when I walked home fully “knitted and spurred” a full-blown Girl Guide, as I thought, but it did not rest at that. When I arrived home the skits and funny questions my mother and father asked me seemed quite absurd to a full-blown Guide for the first night. Father could not understand why he should be troubled with a pole in the house while his allotment needed a good pole for a scarecrow. Mother suggested it for a linen prop? Now what do you think of this encouragement for a cause? Only I follow one of the rules, to keep on smiling and singing, or, in plainer words, to grin and bear it. Another of our laws is Thrift, and when I take my money from the stall and put it into the bank I think of that motto: “Take care of the coppers and the pounds will take care of themselves.” Of course, I am only a young Guide of a few nights' experience, so I cannot relate many things of interest at present. But I will do my best in my next letter to make it even more interesting, when I hope to have been to camp.

“LILY MULLETT

“(Stowmarket Bookstall).”

### Guides to the Rescue.

HERE is a letter with an account of a camp with a real good piece of Guide work into the bargain. We would like to congratulate this Cornish Company.

“Dear Commissioner,—I am sending just a hurried note to let you know that we all returned safely last night, and everybody well.

“The weather broke up just when we had got all our baggage and things packed and tents down, and last week over, so that Providence was very kind to us. It rained more or less most of the way home, but did not damp our spirits at all! and we arrived in the

village with a great welcome. Everybody came out to shout and wave to us.  
 "The children have been perfectly delightful, and so awfully good and obedient, and already were beginning to talk of next year's camp on the way home!  
 "We have had several adventures, but the great one happened on Sunday, when we helped to save the life of a drowning man. Some men actually saved him from drowning, but when they had brought him in did not know what to do with him. So they called to us for help. I was bathing with the Guides and had to climb up a mountainous cliff in my wet bathing dress to get to him on the next little rock, and when I got there found him unconscious, and I should think almost dead.

"I began artificial respiration at once, and Miss T. arrived on the scene—fortunately fully dressed. After I had worked for about five minutes the poor man was violently sick several times, and then after a little opened his eyes and spoke. We then got him up the rock into some shade, and rubbed him well, and then I left Miss T. to superintend dressing him. As she had had V.A.D. experience she did it splendidly.  
 "Meanwhile Guides brought hot drinks and blankets, and by the time the doctor arrived in a boat the man was all fixed up comfortably, but he was most frightfully cold. The doctor said he would undoubtedly have died but for us, as it was evidently a bad case. Yesterday morning we met him again in the village, and he said we had certainly saved his life by the artificial respiration.

"The Guides behaved very well, for when I ran off they were in the water, and I never told them what to do. But they all went quietly out of the water at once and dressed and were waiting when I came back to rub me down and dress me.

"I shall have lots to tell you about the camp when you come home, and I think that we shall have nearly £5 left over after it to go towards Company funds.

*From S.P. Baden-Powell*



**SHOP NOTICES.**

The shop will be closed on the afternoon of Tuesday, November 4, from 2 p.m., to enable the staff to attend the Peace Celebration at the Albert Hall.

**BROWNIE JERSEYS.**

We now have four sizes of these in stock:—  
 Chest measurement, 24 inches, 8s. 6d.  
 " " 26 " 9s. 6d.  
 " " 28 " 10s.  
 " " 30 " 10s. 6d.

**AWARDS.**

**SEPTEMBER.**

**Silver Cross.**—Patrol Leader Connie Burnett, aged 19 (1st Herne Hill Company), for rescuing a man fallen on the railway line at King's Cross in front of an incoming train. This brave Guide also rendered first-aid, the man having received a fractured pelvis and being rendered partially unconscious by the accident.

**Silver Cross.**—Patrol Leader Dorothy M. Barnett, aged 15 (1st Stratford-on-Avon Company), for saving a boy from drowning in a dangerous spot. Several children having been drowned in the same place, owing to the fact of there being some very deep holes.  
 The Guide reached the boy as he was sinking for the third time. The boy could not swim at all, and the girl only a few strokes.

**Badge of Merit.**—Guide Margaret Parker, aged 11 (1st Beaulieu Company), for saving a child, aged about 5, from drowning in Beaulieu River. The child apparently fainted and fell into the river (the water was about 8 or 10 ft. deep, with a strong current). The plucky Guide was, however, so quick that she was able to rush to the steps, clutch the child's clothes, and pull her out.

**Badge of Merit.**—Patrol Leader Elsie Eamer, aged 15 (3rd Battersea Company), for rendering efficient first-aid, thus averting what might have been a fatal accident. The Patrol Leader found a girl who had been pushed against a spiked railing, injuring the axillary artery. She applied first-aid and took the girl home, afterwards taking her to hospital.

**Certificate of Merit.**—Captain Mrs. Paul (West Haddon Company), for stopping and quieting a runaway horse.

**Certificate of Merit.**—Guide Margaret Hook, aged 13 (1st Hayes Company), for rescuing a fellow Guide who had been pushed into a pond.

**Certificate of Merit.**—Guide Violet Worbey, aged 13 (1st Isleworth Company), for rescuing a small boy from burning.



**THE EPITAPH OF A TIRED WOMAN.**

[N.B.—She had never been a Girl Guide.]

Here lies a poor woman who always was tired,  
 She lived in a house where help wasn't hired,  
 Her last words on earth were "Dear friends, I am going  
 To where there's no cooking or washing or sewing,  
 For everything there is exact to my wishes,  
 For where they don't eat there's no washing of dishes,  
 I'll be where loud anthems will always be ringing.  
 But having no voice I'll be quit of the singing.  
 Don't mourn for me now. Don't mourn for me never.  
 I'M GOING TO DO NOTHING FOR EVER AND EVER!"

DANCES FOR GUIDES.

By MISS MILLICENT BAIRD, Divisional Commissioner East Coast of Caithness.

Veleta. Music: Any waltz. A round dance. (a) Hold inner hands, point outer feet. Pas de basque outer feet, then inner feet (2 bars). Hold both hands and continue in same direction, stop outer feet, close inner feet, step, close (2 bars). (b) Turn and repeat (a) in the opposite direction. (c) Hold partner as for round dancing—two bars waltz, two bars step and close. (d) Four bars waltz. Repeat continuously.

Waltz Variations. Music: 3/4. "Maid of the Mountains" waltz is suitable. Can only be danced when waltzing is thoroughly mastered. So pretty with three groups of dancers all doing I simultaneously.

Valse Bleu. I.—Waltz round room 16 bars. Drop hands. II.—(a) Waltz straight forward, girl behind boy (4 bars). (b) Give right hands and waltz round each other (4 bars). (c) Waltz straight back, boy in front of girl (4 bars). (d) Give left hands, waltz round each other, girl going under boy's arm alternate bars (4 bars).

Valse Rose. I.—Waltz round room 16 bars, drop hands. II.—(a) Each waltz round in own place, boy turning right about, girl left about. (b) Pas de basque to opposite place and back again, back to back. (c) Pas de basque sideways right and left in own place, facing partner. (d) Waltz (with turning) round partner's place back to own place.

Valse Jaune. I.—Waltz round room (16 bars), drop hands. II.—(a) Balance (i.e., pas de basque forward right foot, backward left foot), holding right hands (2 bars), left hands (2 bars). (b) Drop hands and move round to partner's place, doing step, cut, step, cut, with alternate feet. (c) Give both hands and balance, moving round to own place (4 bars). (d) Step, cut, round in own place, boy turning right about, girl left about.



"Books cannot always please, however good; Minds are not ever craving for their food." —George Crabbe.

GUIDERS' TRAINING WEEK.

A TRAINING Week will be held at the Y.W.C.A., Bridgnorth, Salop, from Saturday, November 1, to Friday, November 7. Terms, 25s. Applications to be made to the Camp Secretary, Y.W.C.A., Bridgnorth.

WEDDING AT STOKE GABRIEL.

A WEDDING of great interest to Guides in the Totnes District took place at Stoke Gabriel on July 22, when Miss Violet Studdy, District Captain, was married to Mr. Edward Champernowne, brother of the District Commissioner.

The bride has been for some years Captain of the 1st Stoke Gabriel Company, and a favourite with all. The Stoke Gabriel Guides turned out in full force, and, with others from Totnes and various parts of the district, formed a Guard of Honour on each side of the picturesque Church path. As the bridal pair left the Church the bride stopped for a moment to return the salute of her Guard of Honour.

All Guides will be interested to hear that the honeymoon was spent under canvas in true Guide fashion.



THE CHILDREN'S QUESTIONS.

- Do Fairies and Brownies really live? If they do could you tell us where? We'd like to find out if they really do. Will you answer us fair and square? Do they eat their meals as we children do With a knife, a fork and a spoon? Do they like bread and milk and porridge and eggs? Do they dance by the light of the moon? Do they wear pretty clothes, and party frocks, Or jerseys and pants of wool? Do their babies wear bibs, now we'll whisper this, please, Do they speak when their mouths are full? We'd like to know, too, if they sleep in cots— Or perhaps they have grown-up beds. Do they sleep between blankets, or do they have sheets? Have they anything soft for their heads? Do they have a hot bath like we always do, And be washed just one at a time? Do they have laundry days, and hang up their clothes With pegs, and a very long line? There's just one more question we'd like to ask here, And we'd very much like a reply. Do they ever get ill with measles or mumps? And do Fairies and Brownies die? We'll wait till next week, when your paper comes out, But we'll send in our thanks to you now. If you know that the Fairies and Brownies do live, Oh, tell us, please, where, when and how?

I. J. B.

COOKERY RECIPES.

**Tomato Rice.**—Simmer about 2 oz. of rice in  $\frac{1}{2}$  pint of milk until tender. Season with salt and pepper. Peel and core 1 lb. of tomatoes, and bake them until they are tender. Then add the rice and beat all together until it is smooth. Stir in 1 oz. of margarine, and serve very hot.

**Fish Pie.**—  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  lb. cold white fish       $\frac{1}{2}$  pint white sauce.  
 2 hard-boiled eggs.      White crumbs and parsley.

**Sauce.**—1 oz. butter,  $\frac{1}{2}$  pint milk, 1 oz. flour,  $\frac{1}{2}$  tea-spoonful anchovy sauce, pepper and salt.

Mix butter and flour over fire (slow heat). Add milk gradually, then seasoning; and lastly, anchovy sauce. Stir till it thickens.

Put layer of fish in pie-dish, then eggs in slices, and repeat. Fry crumbs in butter, and put on top of pie. Bake in good oven for about  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour.

**Bean Pie.**—Soak beans all night with a pinch of bicarbonate of soda, then boil till tender. Place a layer in a greased pie-dish, then a layer of either tinned or fresh tomatoes, pepper and salt, a very little grated onion if liked; also mixed herbs, and cover with browned crumbs. Put a few small pieces of margarine on top and repeat till dish is full.

Add stock and heat up.

**Potato Cakes (for Breakfast).**—Take any cold potatoes left over from the day before, and mash them, adding a tablespoonful of milk for every cupful of potato. When well blended add 2 tablespoonfuls of flour for every cupful of potato, and sufficient salt to flavour. Mix well into a rather dry paste, adding more milk if necessary.

Lay the mixture on a floured board, and roll out until the paste is about  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. thick. Cut into rounds the exact shape of the frying pan (a small one is best) and fry until nicely browned on one side, then turn and brown the other side. The cakes may be baked on a girdle, or in a quick oven. Butter lightly and pile one on top of the other, and send to table very hot. These cakes can be used instead of, or with, bacon.

**Barley Pudding.**—Take 4 tablespoonfuls of pearl barley, wash, and soak in milk overnight. Put in a pie-dish, add a little salt, cover with the milk, and bake very slowly for  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours.

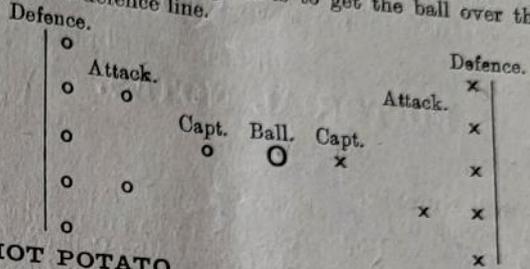
**Bread Fritters.**—Cut some small round slices of light bread,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. thick. Egg and breadcrumb them, and fry a pale, crisp brown. Put jam or stewed fruit on each slice and serve with vanilla-flavoured custard.

**Monk's Pudding.**—Peel and core 1 lb. cooking apples, and boil to a pulp with a little water and sugar. When nearly cold, add  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. of butter and an egg. Well butter a pie-dish, and coat thickly with bread-crumbs. Pour in the mixture and cover thickly with more bread-crumbs. Cook in the oven for over  $\frac{3}{4}$  hour. A little lemon peel may be added if liked.

GUIDE GAMES.

STORK BALL.

Played with a netball. Arrange even sides. Players stand on one leg and bend up the other, grasping it with the opposite hand. They must kick the ball with the supporting foot or bat it with the free hand. The object of the game is to get the ball over the opposite defence line.

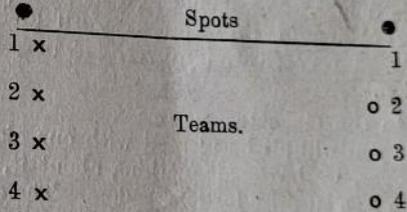


HOT POTATO.

The players stand in a circle with a bean bag, one player in the centre.

The players throw the ball quickly from one to the other, the centre one trying to catch it. When caught a player changes place with the centre.

SPOT TEAM RACE.



No. 1 in each team runs with a ball and places it on the spot, then runs back and touches No. 2. No. 2 runs and picks up the ball and runs back with it (via the spot if it has rolled off), and gives it to No. 3. No. 3 places it on the spot and touches No. 4, and so on.

RELAY BEAN BAG RACE.

Bean bags and a paper basket required for each team. The bean bags are placed in a semi-circle with the basket at one end; the team stands in a straight line, on the inside of the semi-circle.

**Rules.**—No. 1 runs outside the collecting basket and the semi-circle, picks up the first bean bag, puts it into the collecting basket, and runs round it back to her place, touching No. 2. No. 2 runs the same way, picks up the second bag and returns to her place, touching No. 3 as she passes. Each player does this in turn until all the bean bags are in the basket and all the players back in place.

**N.B.**—All players must go round the basket both before and after picking up the bean bag. To ensure this the first player should stand close to the basket, so that it is impossible for a player to run between her and it.

# Girl Guides' Gazette.

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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

### Brownie Number.

As promised in September, we have arranged a number of special interest to those who are running, or intend to form, Brownie Packs. Miss Callaway's article should be an inspiration to new Brown Owls, uncertain how to conduct their first meetings.

We would remind Brown Owls that last month (September) a signed photo of the Chief Guide was offered for the best Pack report sent in during October, and we hope to receive some really interesting accounts of Brownie doings. We should also be glad to have interesting photos of Brownies at work and play. They must be very clear, however, for purposes of reproduction.

### Changes in the Gazette.

We hope you will all be pleased with our nice new coloured cover, we have said nothing about it, as we wanted it to be a surprise for our readers. The quality of the inside pages has also been much improved.

### Work at National Headquarters.

The movement has grown so rapidly in the last few years (between 1917-18 the numbers had practically trebled) that we think it would be of general interest to give some figures showing the large correspondence Headquarters now has to deal with daily.

Many companies, particularly country ones, can have little idea of how the work has increased and is increasing.

The average number of—

Letters received per day is ... ..	190
Parcels despatched per day is ... ..	140
Customers at the shop per day is ... ..	92

The number of customers does not, of course, include the large number of inquirers calling both at 76 and 84, Victoria Street. The number of questions answered in a day, quite apart from letters, is really astonishing.

The number of parcels despatched does not, of course, include those taken by customers, so you can imagine what sackloads the postmen have to take away.

After reading these figures, you will no doubt see the great importance of writing clear orders, and stating

questions concisely, when dealing with Headquarters. We feel sure that many County Secretaries would endorse these remarks.

### CALLED TO HIGHER SERVICE.

We regret to have to record the death, on July 29, of Guide Gladys Pollock (City of Londonderry Company), from heart failure.

### DEVONSHIRE TRAINING WEEKS.

A TRAINING week for Commissioners will be held in Devon, under Miss Maynard, from November 3 to 6 in Exeter, and from November 6 to 8 in Plymouth. Will any Commissioners desirous of attending notify their intentions to the County Secretary, as better terms can be obtained for large numbers?

### NOTE FROM THE CHAIRMAN.

#### Awards for Gallantry.

Reports of gallantry on the part of Guides in life-saving are, I am delighted to see, becoming more and more numerous.

With a view to making the awards of medals fair and just, a form of recommendation has been prepared for those to fill in who wish to bring such cases to notice. They are excellent forms for the purpose (N.B.—I compiled them myself, so I know!), but do you suppose that the applicants fill them in correctly? Let me take one, at random, of a batch just received.

One of the first items asked for is the *name and age of the Guide recommended*. In this case both are omitted.

In the space given for "*Evidence in support of the case by an eye-witness*" the interesting fact is recorded that the boy saved was 10 years old, and that his father resided at 23, High Street. It was a case of drowning. For this you are asked to say *whether the person rescued was able to swim; what was the depth of water; and three or four other pertinent points necessary for fair adjudication*. No answer was vouchsafed to any of these. So you see the Awards Committee was a bit handicapped in its task.

If this were a very isolated and exceptional case it would not so much matter, but the worst of it is that quite half the applications sent in are incomplete in the details asked for. Yet the instructions printed in the margin are evidently clear enough, since half the applications are faultlessly made out, and judging is, in their case, easy and rapid.

Would forwarding officers kindly help in the matter by asking for full details before sending on applications? Thank you so much.

*Robert Dade Parson*

## SOME PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS AS TO HOW BEST TO APPEAL TO YOUNG CHILDREN.

By G. FOREMAN.

If we are to appeal to young children we must be full of love for them, energetic, enthusiastic and ready to enter into all their activities. We must remember they are children and that they see things from a very different point of view to ourselves; therefore we must try to look at things from their standpoint and try to realise their needs. Do remember that they do not look at things through our eyes or with our matured minds!

Childhood is an age of great activity, both mental and physical. These children are overflowing with activity, enthusiasm and imagination, with fresh experiences of the world ever coming before them. It is a glorious age, free from many cares and perplexities of later life. How can we appeal to them? There is only one real way of appeal, and that is by appealing to their interests, the interests of the age, and thus we shall help to supply their needs.

They have a great desire to be up and doing, so we must see that they have an outlet for this energy. Here I would urge two things—Handwork and Games. We must keep their hands and brains busy with useful and beautiful work, and also see that their bodies and limbs have plenty of exercise in the form of games and healthy recreation.

### HANDWORK.

**Basketry.**—Coiled basketry, simple baskets made with raffia and cane, flower-pots, dinner mats.

Cane basketry, simple baskets, trays with wooden bases, &c.

**Weaving.**—On cardboard looms, with raffia, wool, string, serviette rings, dolls' clothes, mats and carpets for dolls' houses, flat baskets, &c.

**Clay Work.**—Pots and vases made in ordinary clay (baked by a friendly baker!) and then painted.

**Toymaking.**—All kinds of simple and inexpensive toys, windmills, bead necklaces, furniture for dolls' houses, kites, scrapbooks, &c.

**Models.**—Co-operative work with varied materials in connection with stories.

**Painting and Drawing.**—Making friezes, calendars, cards, blotters, &c.

### GAMES.

All kinds of indoor and outdoor games that will develop the real spirit of play:—

Team games, ring games, charades, general knowledge games, rounders, &c. Old English singing games. Country dancing. Skipping. Physical exercises, musical drill.

Children have a great desire to know about things; they are full of curiosity and always ready to ask questions. In answering their questions we must be very careful to try and satisfy their demands, and also

we must remember that sometimes it is advisable to put them on the right lines for finding out things for themselves. Allow them the use of a good children's library if possible.

The world of Nature is full of interest for them. Take them for Nature rambles and let them enjoy the wonders of the field, hedgerow, pond, bird and animal life. Gardening is another great source of joy to them.

Stories appeal to all children, fairy tales, Nature stories, adventures, stories that mirror the experiences of childhood, nonsense tales, &c. They also delight in telling stories, some children are wonderful little story-tellers.

These are a few points we need to remember when planning work for young children, either for Brownies or junior clubs, &c. Let the children come first in our thoughts, then we shall realise their needs and be rightly able to aid their development.

## BELGIAN GIRL GUIDES.

THE Belgian Girl Guides have written to England asking if any Guides here can send them second-hand hats and belts. The price of these things in Belgium is so great that many of the Guides there cannot possibly buy them. Would any Guides getting new hats or belts send the old ones to MISS RUTH HIGGINS Curzon Road, Luton, Beds.

## WE WANT

### !A PERMANENT CAMPING GROUND.

OWING to the large number of Guides and Guiders desiring to go into camp during the summer, it is most essential that a permanent Headquarters Ground should be obtained, within easy distance of London.

The camp life is very valuable in the Guide training, both for the mind and body; it opens up a new side of life to the girl and brings her in touch with Nature, which result can be obtained in no other way. Therefore, any one wishing to do the Guide movement a "good turn" has now a grand opportunity of giving a suitable piece of ground, as was done in the case of the Boy Scouts by some kind friend.

The future mothers of the nation never seem to have the consideration that is shown to the boys: perhaps it is because they seem too capable of looking after themselves! This is a well deserved compliment to the girls, but it has its drawbacks. Raising money for clubrooms, equipment, &c., takes a good deal of ingenuity and thought, consequently many companies have to give up the summer camp for want of funds.

We do not require a great deal of ground; about four or five acres would be ample. This would allow hundreds of girls to enjoy the camp life and training.

So, please!—as plans have to be arranged in the autumn for next summer, we have no time to waste. If any reader knows of a ground, or can make any suggestion, we hope they will correspond with our energetic Director of Camps, Mrs. Strobe.

## WOLF CUBS.

(By kind permission of the Editor of the "Boy Scouts Headquarters Gazette," we are enabled to reprint the following extract on Wolf Cubs from the Chief Scout's Outlook for September. The Chief's remarks with regard to Rover training are equally applicable to Senior Guides.—EDITOR.)

### Character-Training is Needed for the Boy before the Age for Becoming a Scout.

I WAS roughly challenged once at a meeting of men interested in boys' organisations as to why in the Scout movement we stole a march on the others by taking in small boys at an age when they were still ineligible for these other societies; the speaker implied that our big numbers were largely due to our tapping this source at the expense of the others.

I was honestly able to say that this point of view had never occurred to me before, but after all it was not a bad idea if numbers were our first aim—but they weren't.

Our aim was to catch the boys at an age when their character was in the process of formation, and before it had taken the wrong turning.

The point for consideration was which was the critical age. He considered that it came about the time when the boy had received his education and was leaving school.

I held that if you consulted the crime register you would realise that it came much earlier.

Juvenile crime, under 20, begins at 10, and is at its worst at 12. The young mind, therefore, is receptive and self-directive before 10, say, at eight or nine.

This, therefore, seemed to me to be the age for catching the boy and moulding him aright. The training of the boy of Scout age, namely, from 12 to 16, is of acknowledged importance, and his retention under good influence in vocational and civic training above that age, as in the Rover scheme, is of estimable value, but I do believe that the most important period of all is the earlier one when you get him, as a Wolf Cub, in the malleable condition, full of enthusiasm, drinking in thirstily every new experience, and responsive as a violin string to the master's touch.

### The Cub Principle is an Up-to-Date Education.

You can at that phase start him in the line to which it is so often difficult to bring him later on, namely, to self-education through free self-expression.

This in two words is the sum of Tolstoy's method of training; it is the principle of Montessori, it was largely used by the late G. W. Howson at Gresham School; it is the modern method of teaching, and is the fundamental idea running through Scouting.

But for easy application it cannot begin too young.

It is, therefore, not only of immediate value to the boy himself, but it is of special value to his future

school teacher, since it prepares the ground in which he will sow the seed, and for the same reason it is useful to the Cubs' future Scoutmaster.

Although the training is so pregnant of results, it is, owing to the receptiveness of the pupil, particularly easy to apply.

Here is an extract from a letter which I received the other day bearing on the subject:

"For Wolf Cubs there is a crying need; little boys are so wonderfully lovable, so much less complex and so much easier to manage than girls, so that it is amazing how few women can be persuaded to attempt them. And they need a woman more than a man. I am a parish worker and a school teacher as well as a Guider, and my heart is sore for all the many boys that are drifting away from us just from the want of a friendly hand.

"I could start straight away with a dozen Wolf Cubs, for the Brownies' brothers and pals are clamouring for it.

"But it is simply impossible for me to do both. Anyone who has had the least experience of slum work knows that the six-year-old street arab is a wonderfully attractive, pliable scrap, but tackle him at 11, or even sometimes at 8, and, oh, the vice you've got to eradicate!"

### It is a Direct Help in Rover Training.

Yes. Wolf Cub training gives an opening for sympathetic boy-women in which they can do a really big work. But to the Scoutmaster it can be helpful in another way; the training can be successfully carried out by a good Scout or Rover under his direction.

It thus forms a splendid activity for retaining his older boys and for training them in a practical way for Assistant Scoutmastership in his own or for new troops.

Moreover, through this means many an educational genius may be discovered or developed and directed into the profession for which he is really qualified, namely, boy training.

### It is a Possible Help to the Education Department.

There is just now a grave danger for the future of the nation in the shortage which exists of school teachers. In spite of the steps made to establish teaching as a profession rather than as a mere means of wage-earning, in spite of improved conditions and prospects, in spite of increased interest and opportunity for the individual, the demand for teachers greatly exceeds the supply. This constitutes a national danger.

Anything that we can do, therefore, in the Scout movement to promote our out-of-school training is of real service in helping the already over-taxed school teachers, and if we can discover in our ranks young fellows specially gifted in that direction, we can do a further service for the country by encouraging them to perfect themselves by practise, and to take up the profession for which they are so qualified and in which they can do a real good for the country.

With our eyes open to this, we may find hundreds of promising young school teachers, but in any case it is certain that if we realise the true value of this branch of our movement and set about earnestly to develop it, we can give immediate help on a considerable scale to the education authorities by giving to thousands of boys the out-of-school activities and environment that are so much needed to keep them on the line of what is taught to them inside the school.

By taking them at that age we catch them whilst they are easy to teach, and we can get them in large numbers; it is large numbers that are wanted now, not for our own glorification—Heaven forbid!—but to give appreciable help where millions of boys are so urgently needing it.

### THE CHOICE OF A PACK LEADER.

"A Pack Leader must be a first-class Brownie and hold at least four Brownie proficiency badges."  
—(Book of Rules.)

THE first thing to be remembered when appointing a Pack Leader is that the work is an end in itself and should never be considered as secondary to a Guide's own work in the Company. It must be recognised from the start that a Pack Leader needs to be chiefly, if not entirely, with the Pack, and, therefore, it is advisable that she should not have special work among the Guides beyond what is necessary for her own training. It is practically impossible to combine the ranks of Patrol Leader and Pack Leader. Such a combination is unfair to the Guide, who will have far too much on her shoulders, and unfair to the Brownies because, sooner or later, the positions are bound to clash, and the Pack must go to the wall.

Again, it is not advisable to have too young a Guide in such a responsible position. A Pack Leader should be well over fourteen years. A Senior Guide, if suitable, is a good choice, particularly if she desires, in the future, to train as a Guider. A Pack Leader is responsible in the absence of the Brown Owl. She must be capable of taking a Pack meeting herself if necessary. Above all, she needs to be a big sister to the Brownies.

It is obvious that not every Guide is suitable for such work, but when the ideal Pack Leader has been found, what are her qualifications?

To be a first-class Brownie and to hold four Brownie proficiency badges cannot be done in the twinkling of an eye. Even though a second-class Guide can have no difficulty in passing the first-class Brownie test, a Pack Leader with double duties in Pack and Company has not much time to work for herself. One of the simplest ways out of this difficulty is to fix a time-limit of, say, six months, during which an acting Pack Leader is expected to qualify. Her rank, of course, cannot be confirmed until she has passed the tests; but a time limit gives the Guide herself something to work

by and insures that the Pack shall have a fully qualified Leader at the earliest opportunity.

Again, there is the problem of a Pack Leader who has not been a Guide for very long, and has plenty of work to do on her own account in the Company. Naturally she must keep up her standard as a Guide while she leads the Pack, and, therefore, Guiders would do well to appoint to this post only a Guide who has found her feet in the Company, and certainly only one who has attained her second-class badge.

Very often a Guide of sixteen or thereabouts begins to weary of the ordinary routine of patrol work, and the change and responsibility of such a position as Pack Leader are just what is needed to keep her from going stale. Often, also, a Guide who is not a shining light in the patrol is noticeably "good with the little ones," and her latent qualities may be brought out by encouraging her natural bent. Nevertheless, the rank of Pack Leader is not to be considered an offshoot, or a means of getting rid of somebody who has arrived at an awkward age. On the contrary, it is a picked post, and should appear in the eyes of the Company not only as a promotion but as a privilege.

Guide Companies possessing Brownie Packs depend on them for recruits to form the backbone of the Company, and it may be of the Division. The Brownies in their turn depend on their Brown Owl and Pack Leader to send them up to the Company ready to play their parts. A Pack Leader, therefore, in common with the Patrol Leader, and, of course, with all Guiders, has in her hands the future of the movement. The importance of such work will continue until every Brownie has become a Guide.

R. F. HEATH,  
Brownie Secretary for the  
Westminster Division.

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

On account of the strike the big Guiders' Conference at Swanwick was not able to be held.

The next great event looming ahead is the Albert Hall Peace Rally, which promises to be the most unique gathering that has been known in our history.

Guides, Captains and Commissioners, from the far North and the far West, as well as those who are close at hand, are coming in full force, and you will see from the notices in the other part of this GAZETTE what is in store for them.

A Commissioners' Conference is to take place in Edinburgh on October 14-17, and another one at Ilkley on October 27, as well as County Secretaries' Conference in November.

What with Guiders' Training Weeks also taking place more or less the whole time, we can safely consider that there are plenty of wheels in action to keep our organisation on the move.

## Company Notes.

### BLATCHINGTON.

Thirty of the Blatchington Girl Guides camped for a delightful week in a barn and three tents at Firle. Lord Gage very kindly gave them wood and, indeed, every one was kindness itself. The Guides explored the woods, picnicked by a lake, gave a display by request, had tea in the Vicarage garden, were inspected by Lady Monk-Bretton, and enjoyed all the many sides of camp life. Their very light stretcher, made of a strip of wire netting and two poles, was much admired, and was used to fetch bread and all heavy things every day.

### BOLTON.

An entertainment and sale of work in aid of Company funds was held by the Bolton Company. The programme consisted of a new version of "Red Riding Hood," in which she is rescued from the wolf by Guides; an Irish jig; three songs; and a dialogue. The Guides managed the entire performance and sale, with the exception of the tea, besides making a great many articles for the sale. The proceeds were £24 19s.

### DUNWICH.

A very successful Guide camp was held at Dunwich (Suffolk). In spite of bad weather, all concerned enjoyed themselves, and although the rain spoilt much actual Guide work, it gave the girls a good opportunity of living up to part of their law: "A Guide smiles and sings under all circumstances."

The Commandant of the camp was Staff-Captain K. C. Stanford of the Ipswich district, with Staff-Captain H. P. Wolstenholme acting as A.D.C.

One day the Guides were allowed to leave camp in patrols or twos in order to find good turns to do at the neighbouring houses. Many people were glad to see them and they were soon given work of very varying kinds.

The Guides were honoured by visits from their Commissioners. Mrs. Bramley Firth, District Commissioner for Lavenham, came over and spent a night in camp, and Mrs. H. Paul, Divisional Commissioner for Ipswich, came, accompanied by Mrs. Turner, who is Secretary for the district.

### ELY.

The Ely Guides have just had a most interesting week of toymaking lectures, by Miss L. Clarke, of Royston, which has enabled them to start a small toy industry amongst themselves. The Association has kindly hired part of a shop window in the High Street to enable the Guides to display their work, and to take orders for toys, needlework, knitting, children's clothes;

also cakes. The Guides do the work at home in their spare time, and we hope it will be a great success through the winter.

In September, the Guides and Brownies, at extremely short notice, gave a most interesting tea and display in the Deanery gardens; all the cakes were made by the Guides. There were twenty small tables, each to seat five people, and each Guide was responsible for her table, for the decoration and china, and a prize was awarded for the best decorated table and best waitress. There was an exhibition stall of work, all done by the Guides, as well as a stall with things for sale. After tea there was a very good display given by the Brownies and Guides. The takings amounted to £12, which will enable a Patrol Leader from each Company to go to London for the large Rally at the Albert Hall next November; also to meet other expenses in the Guide companies.

### FEMALE BORSTAL INSTITUTION (AYLESBURY).

The inmates of this institution celebrated the signing of peace by sports, tea, and an evening entertainment. The proceedings commenced by the inspection of the companies of Girl Guides recently formed among the inmates under the command of the Hon. Ruth Hubbard, assisted by Miss M. Bennett. The companies were drawn up in two lines on either side of the road leading from the main entrance to the sports' field, and, after the inspection, marched past a saluting point in column of Patrols. Immediately following, a skilful and well-carried-out display of Girl Guide work was given, including the Girl Guides' song, the "Union of the Flags," and a very popular ambulance exhibition. The inspecting party consisted of Lady Addington, a County Vice-President; Lady Jekyll, Chairman of the Visiting Committee of the Borstal Institution; Colonel Winn, R.E., one of the Prison Commissioners; and the Rev. S. P. H. Statham, Chaplain Inspector of Prisons. They were greatly pleased with the smartness and efficiency of the Guides, and expressed their surprise at the results obtained within so short a period of time. It was evident that Miss Hubbard exercises a strong and salutary influence over these unfortunate young women, and the Prison Commissioners are to be congratulated not only upon obtaining her services, but also upon the enlightened policy which recognised in the Girl Guide movement a genuine influence for reform.

### GREATER BIRMINGHAM.

Church Parade of Guides. The collection was given to the funds of the Children's Hospital, Birmingham.

**HASTINGS AND ST. LEONARDS.**

The Hastings and St. Leonards Division held a Rally in the grounds of Uplands School, kindly lent by Miss Hill. A number of spectators were present. There was an excellent muster of local Guides (there are now ten flourishing companies). A guard of honour, consisting of Patrol Leaders and Seconds, formed up at the entrance through which passed Dame Alice Godman, who kindly came to inspect the Division, accompanied by Mrs. F. W. Jarvis, the Division Commissioner, and the Honourable Lady Henniker Heaton, Division Commissioner for Rye, and Miss E. Godman, Sussex County Secretary.

The inspection of the companies took place first, and was followed by the march past. After the march past, there were various Guide activities, including cooking, laundry-work, signalling, ambulance, bridge-building, camp and tent-pitching, drilling, &c., all of which were visited by the inspecting officer, followed by an interested crowd of spectators.

The companies then moved into horse-shoe formation, and a short address was given by Dame Alice who reminded her audience that each Guide when in uniform represented the whole Guide movement, and must behave accordingly, and concluded by presenting three banners to the School, Town, or County companies respectively, who by self-denial were able to buy War Savings Certificates at this time when it is so very necessary for everyone to be thrifty.

During the Rally the Division Commissioner announced that the Guides had been honoured by being invited to help form a guard of honour on the occasion of the visit of Sir David Beatty, who was coming to Hastings to receive the freedom of the borough.

**1st HORLEY.**

The 1st Horley Company held their third inspection and presentation of proficiency badges when their new Division Commissioner, Miss Watney from Reigate, accompanied by her Staff Captain Mrs. Makovski, kindly took the salute and march past, which was headed by Miss Story recently appointed District Commissioner, Horley, and presented the badges, afterwards addressing the company.

A play, entitled "A Good Turn," was performed before an appreciative audience, and a stall and bran tubs did a thriving trade. A striking feature of the entertainment was a display of practical work by Brownies and Guides, to demonstrate Cook, Laundress, Child and Sick Nurse, Scribe, Orderly and Domestic Service Badges, and many friends carried away new ideas of "Guiding," realising it was not, to quote the Commissioner, "skinning rabbits and running about the streets with poles." Thanks are due to Captain Turner for her invaluable work with her company, especially during the last three months.

Proceeds amounted to £9 18s. 6d., which has been handed over for company funds.

**HUNTINGDONSHIRE.**

The first rally was held at Henchingbrooke by the kind permission of the Earl and Countess of Sandwich. Nine companies attended the rally, and the County Commissioner, the Countess of Sandwich, took the salute and addressed those assembled; after that there were most successful displays and a dance by Brownies.

When the various items had been gone through, the Guides were entertained by the County Commissioner to tea and a display of conjuring. A most enjoyable afternoon was much appreciated by all present.

**1st LALEHAM.]**

This company held a very successful jumble sale in the Village Hall in aid of its fund for sending Guides into camp. The sum realised has enabled it to give £5 towards helping poorer Guides of another district.

**MALVERN GIRL'S COLLEGE.**

Has a "Leaders' Training Corps," which consists of all Leaders and Seconds, and was formed with the object of training them to organise and run Guide "evenings."

A meeting is held each week, two members being previously chosen to arrange the programme (lectures, work for badges, games, &c.) and act as "Organising Leaders," and be entirely responsible.

All members in turn act as "O.Ls.," and receive any criticism of the evening's programme and work from the Captains.

Recently, 12 Guides have been made members of the "Corps" in order to help them as future "Leaders" and "Seconds."

**NEW FOREST DIVISION.**

A camp for the New Forest Division was held at Barley Schools, representative patrols from Boldre, Lymington, Lyndhurst, Marchwood, New Milton and Ringwood were there. Miss Manning, District Commissioner for Cricklewood, was Commandant, and ran the camp most successfully. Lady Helen Whitaker came to inspect one day, and afterwards sports were held, arranged by the patrol leaders.

**THE 1st PENN FIELDS.**

A strong muster of the "1st Penn Fields Company," Wolverhampton, took place at Penn Fields Church Room, to watch and take part in the interesting ceremony of the enrolment of the first "Brownies" of this Company and the presentation of badges to the Guides.

The popular Commissioner for the District (Mrs. Mander), after a few well chosen words of greeting to the little recruits, enrolled each, in the usual Guide's manner, after which the Brownies, doubly happy now they were of "importance," danced round their "Totem."

**1st SOUTHALL.**

Through the kindness of Mrs. Reginald Stilwell, District Commissioner of Central Middlesex, the members of the above Company, accompanied by Capt. E. Honey and 1st Lieut. G. Mayell, have been enabled to spend an enjoyable time camping out in the meadows adjoining "Hillingdon Furze," the Commissioner's residence. A large barn in which was a plentiful supply of straw afforded ample and comfortable sleeping accommodation. The cooking was done and meals were all taken in the open air, the Guides taking it in turn to act as orderlies. After breakfast each morning the camp and sleeping quarters were tidied preparatory to inspection by the Commissioner at 10 a.m., the remainder of each morning was spent in drill and Guide work generally. In the afternoon the time was devoted to letter writing and recreation, and after tea organised games occupied the interval until supper brought the day's work to a close. On Sunday morning the Commissioner took the salute, and the Guides then marched to Hayes Congregational Church. In the evening a short service, presided over by Mr. C. W. Edginton, was held in the meadow. The Company returned to Southall on Monday evening, having spent a very happy and interesting holiday.

**1st WINDERMERE.**

The 1st Windermere Company gave a very successful entertainment in aid of St. Dunstan's Hostel and Company funds. A varied programme of songs, old English dances and recitations was carried out, and two short sketches, "Wanted a Governess" and "Aunt Matilda's Collar" were acted.

The Guides had a large and appreciative audience and a gratifying amount was realised.

A very successful camp was held at Hawkeshead in August.

**FIFESHIRE.**

The day on which Earl Beatty received the Freedom of the City was a red letter day for the Dunfermline Girl Guides. Fifty-eight Guides from the different companies were selected to act as a Guard of Honour, and with their new silk banners, looked so smart that the Admiral asked the Provost's permission to inspect them there and then. To the huge delight of the Guides, Lord Beatty walked up the lines with the Staff Captain, expressing his sympathy with the Girl Guide movement and his pleasure in seeing the Dunfermline Guides so well turned out. Lady Beatty—till lately County Commissioner for Fife—recognised a number of old faces and, last but not least, the Guides had, during the following weeks, the pleasure of seeing themselves being inspected by the Admiral on the films.

**MUIRKIRK.**

The Muirkirk Local Association recently held a successful Cake and Candy Sale. The Officers and Guides of 1st Muirkirk took charge of the tea room. The Guides gave a short but excellent entertainment, consisting of a maypole dance, a figure dance, two

songs and a display of Indian Club swinging. The sale was opened by the District Commissioner, Miss M. Baird, Mrs. Alexander, Chairman of Committee, being in the chair. This Company, which was formed in March, now numbers 32.

Interesting reports have also been received from the 2nd Seaford and 1st Thetford companies.

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### WANTED.

GIRL Guide house parlour-maid, for country, near London. Two in family, wages according to experience.—Apply, Mrs. Everett, Elstree, Herts.

By ex-Guide Captain, a Girl Guide over 16 as House Parlourmaid. Wages according to age and experience. Comfortable home. Present staff—Nurse and Cook-General (both Guides) (ex-Patrol Leaders). A Guide holding Cook's badge and willing to exchange duties with Cook every alternate month, preferred. Write, stating age, &c., and enclosing photograph and addresses of references, to Mrs. Claude Harland, Yeadon Vicarage, near Leeds.

**SCOTTISH GUIDERS' TRAINING SCHOOL.**

A SCHOOL was held at Liberton, near Edinburgh, from August 11 to 25, with Mrs. Stewart, County Secretary for Argyll as Commandant. The Diploma'd Instructors were Miss Maynard (London) for the first week, and Miss G. Robotham (Derby) for the second week. There were 70 students, ranging from Commissioners to Patrol Leaders. All agreed that they had had a most happy and instructive course.

**G.G.T.S., ABBEY LODGE, WEST MALVERN. CORRESPONDENCE COURSE NOTICE.***Result of Patrol Competition.*

Paper on Games: Miss Tupling, Patrol Leader, 1st Mixed English Patrol.

Paper on Camps: Miss Otway Mayne, 1st Mixed English Patrol.

The best paper on Camps was disqualified, as it was not signed and was written on both sides of the paper (see Competition Rules, July GAZETTE), therefore the prize has been awarded to the next best, Miss Otway Mayne.

*Result of Ceremonial Theory Examination.*

Passed: Miss Armitage, Miss Fleming, Miss Teulon.

It would save a great deal of trouble and be a real help to the Secretary if all members would kindly return Courses as requested and by the dates mentioned. Will all those Patrols who have not returned the Summer Courses (due August 17!), please forward *at once*.

The two Courses for the Autumn Term will be issued between October 15 and 20; the *latest* date for them to be returned to the Secretary is December 31.