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News, articles, stories, etc., for inclusion in "Matilda" should be forwarded to the Editor, c/o. Girl Guide Headquarters, 60 Market Street, Melbourne, C.I., by twenty-third of the month.

NOTICES.

It has been decided to close the Offices at Headquarters for two whole days—Wednesday and Thursday, 30th and 31st July—for cleaning. Will Guiders please let the Guides know this, so that they can arrange to shop on the other days that week?

Visit of Chief Scout.

Although it seems early yet to be preparing for the visit of the Chief Scout and Chief Guide in April next year, preliminary arrangements are already under way for the Rally by which the Guides and Scouts in Victoria will welcome their Chiefs. Details will shortly be issued to Commissioners.

It is proposed to hold the Rally in the Melbourne Cricket Ground on a Saturday in April. The Programme will include a League of Nations Pageant in which both Scouts and Guides will take part, and a Pageant by the Guides, depicting scenes from the colonisation of Australia.

1930 Edition.

A limited number of copies of the 1930 edition of Rules, Policy and Organisation are now available. A copy has been sent to each Commissioner. A further order will arrive from England shortly.

Guiders who have the 1929 edition may, instead of purchasing a new book, buy a copy of the "additions and alterations," which they can paste in on the pages required, and a copy of the 1930 Victorian Supplement, both for the cost of 7d.

This year's Victorian Supplement contains, besides the special rules which apply in Victoria, in addition to those in the English publication, a list of all the Companies and Packs in the State, with addresses of Commissioners and Guiders. It is hoped that the extra expense incurred for printing these additional pages will be justified by the convenience they will be to Guiders.

Change of Address.

Lately, several magazines ("Matilda", "The Guider" and "The Guide") have been returned to us, through the Dead Letter Office, marked "Addressee not known". It would be a great help to the Magazine Secretary, as well as to Headquarters generally, if Guiders and others would notify us when they change their address.

Exchange.

A number of Guiders have been forgetting that, if they do not add exchange to country cheques, Headquarters must pay the amount, and sometimes the exchange mounts up to about three shillings or more a week. Our finances are feeling the strain of these difficult times, and our auditor has decreed that in future we are to charge on accounts the amount of unpaid exchange. We mention this so that Guiders will understand, as we have not hitherto taken this step.

Receipts.

It is also in the interests of Thrift that we cannot post receipts for amounts under 5/- unless a stamp for return postage is sent with the account. Guiders who need the receipt for their auditor will therefore please enclose return postage.

Magazine Subscriptions.

We have been at considerable loss in the past through the failure of Guiders to renew subscriptions to the various magazines when they fall due. To save correspondence, a slip notifying the subscriber that the next payment is due, is inserted in the magazine itself, but this does not always have the desired result. Hitherto we have presumed that the subscription was to be continued, unless we heard to the contrary, but we find that we have sometimes sent issues out for several months without any payment being made or any cancellation of the order. We have therefore to announce that, if subscriptions to magazines are not paid within three months of falling due, the papers will be discontinued.

EDITH H. PURNELL,

Hon. State Secretary.

MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD ON 4th JUNE, 1930.

Present: Lady Somers, Mrs. F. W. Faulkner, Mrs. Pearce, Mrs. E. Littlejohn, Mrs. C. H. Edmondson, Miss Cameron, Miss Bush, Miss Swinburne, and the Honorary State Secretary.

Details of the amended programme in connection with the visit of the Chief Scout and Chief Guide were discussed.

Lady Somers informed the Committee that she had decided to be personally responsible for the rent of an extra office room at G.G.H.Q. for one year, as she felt it would be a great help to the work in general. The Committee expressed great appreciation of her kindness.

The Committee approved the presentation of a Thanks Badge to Mrs. McDonald, former District Secretary for Northcote and Preston.

Routine and financial business was transacted.

COMPANY RECORDS.

The following article on Company Records is used for the Correspondence Course in Victoria, and it is thought that it might be helpful to all our Guiders.

Introduction.

A certain number of record books are essential to a Company. The time spent in training Guides to keep proper accounts and records is really to be counted as spent in character training, especially because it fosters a sense of responsibility. Guides need to learn how a committee arrives at decisions, the proper way to record such decisions, the importance of keeping proper records of any transaction with funds, etc.

Apart from training the Guides, the Guider will find it necessary to have adequate records, especially if at any time she is obliged to give up the Company and hand over to someone else. Records should be kept up to date by regular entries. They should be available to the District Commissioner when she visits the Company, and it is only fair to the Guides that proper records are kept of the tests they pass, and any other information which may be useful later. Ordinary exercise books may be used.

The following Books and Records are ESSENTIAL:—

I. Record Book—A record of each Guide individually (printed Record Books are obtainable, but each Captain may arrange her own). The Record Book should give the following details of each girl:—Name, address, date of birth, religious denomination, date of joining as Recruit, age, date of passing Tenderfoot Test, date of Enrolment, date of passing 2nd-class Test (space may be provided for dates of passing each separate section of the Test); dates of Service Stars, with percentage; further details (such as appointment as Patrol Second, Patrol Leader, etc.).

II.—Court of Honour Minute Book—to be kept accurately and precisely by the Secretary of the Court of Honour; Minutes to be passed at each meeting of the Court of Honour, and signed by the Captain. This book is a confidential Company record, and may not be consulted except by members of the Court of Honour (and by the Commissioner if she wishes).

III.—Account Book—every penny of receipt and expenditure should be entered. Any expenditure should be passed by the Court of Honour, all dockets being presented to Court of Honour and signed. The condition of funds should be reported by Leaders to their Patrols. All dockets should be kept for annual audit by Local Association, and the Annual Statement of Receipts and Expenditure made available for Guides to see. Accounts should be available for inspection by parents, Commissioner and Local Association. For any special money-raising effort, it is advisable to draw up a special statement, so that only the final balance need appear in the ordinary account book.

IV.—Company History Book—This should contain summary of the chief events in the history of the Company, e.g., Church Parades, Enrolments, Hikes, special events, camps, with dates. Captains will find this book useful in making Reports.

V.—Programme Book—This can be kept by a Lieutenant or a Patrol Leader, and should contain the Programme of every Company Meeting, Hike or special meeting.

VI.—Company Roll and Subscription Book.—Printed ones are best (obtainable at H.Q., price 9d.); should be entered up and signed by Captain or Lieutenant each week.

VII.—Patrol Roll and Subscription Book.—Kept by each Patrol Leader and signed periodically by Captain.

VIII.—Other Records.—Guiders should keep

- (a) Copies of all reports sent to Commissioners or Local Association, including Annual Report, and Registration Forms;
- (b) List of all badges received from District Secretary;
- (c) Copies of Transfers sent when a Guide leaves Company;
- (d) Parents' Consent Forms (obtainable at H.Q. in books of 24, 10d.);
- (e) Duplicate Order Book for Equipment.

In addition to the above books and records there can be Nature Books or Logs, Newspaper-Cutting Books, Photo. Books, Patrol Log Books, Patrol Account Books (if Patrols have separate funds), and a **Company Log Book**, containing accounts of Company doings—sometimes entered briefly, but often in longer form, with stories, drawings, poems, etc., all relating to the life of the Company.

M. E. BUSH,
Head of Training.

THIRD VICTORIAN GUIDERS' CONFERENCE.

The 3rd Victorian Guiders' Conference will be held on Saturday, 19th July, 1930, at the University of Melbourne, by the courtesy of the Registrar.

The Conference will begin with luncheon at 1 p.m. in the Cafeteria, University Grounds. There will be Conference Sessions in the afternoon and evening, and it is hoped that Guiders will take this opportunity to meet and discuss matters which interest them. All Guiders, whether able to attend the Conference or not, have been asked to send in subjects for the Agenda.

At the Conference Guiders will have an opportunity of discussing the type of articles they would like to find in "Matilda." The Committee are anxious to receive suggestions on these lines so that "Matilda" may be of assistance to all Guiders.

Further details will be published in the "Sun" (Saturday), "The Argus" (Tuesday), and "The Age" (Wednesday).

EDITH H. PURNELL,
Hon. Sstate Secretary.

OUR BROWNIE PAGE.

Something old, something new,
Something magic, something true;
Singing in plenty, a story to tell,
And something to make you happy and well.

The above quotation was intended to inspire the readers of this page as much as it has helped many a Brownie Guider to plan a well-balanced programme for her Pack meeting. But the dream has not yet come true, and very few old things and very few new ones, and very few magic things, and very few true ones, have found their way to the page since it was first started some three and a half years ago.

Perhaps a change of quotation will be more hopeful, and not only encourage all those shy violets, who are hiding so carefully under their leaves, to show themselves in some form or other through our page, but also bring forth—in true magic style—all the contributions that have been tucked away this long time past.

So let us change our quotation to one which, though originally applied to Pack Meetings, seems equally suggestive here:—

“Anything may happen.”

—and let each one of us **SEE THAT IT DOES!**
A.P.

PLANNING PACK PROGRAMMES AHEAD.

A Brownie Meeting so often brings with it the unexpected that it does not really seem brownie-ish to try and plan a programme many weeks ahead. And yet, when just making up the programmes from week to week, and looking back over them, how unbalanced they generally are! There is no time for real preparation, and so B.O. and T.O., instead of having the items that fit into her scheme of things, chooses something else which does not require much forethought. After a time B.O. finds that “this and that” has never been tackled, and many items have just been included to fill gaps in the programme. Without a definite aim, it is difficult to get the best out of each Brownie during the short time they meet.

In making plans ahead, I have found it a good way to prepare first a very rough sketch of programmes, say 3 months ahead, with just an idea of the type of game wanted. The dates are often a great help, as special days such as Empire Day, etc., will naturally lead you to things that are appropriate. It also makes a welcome break, and gives variety to programmes. Next, I fill in the actual games, kind of Handcraft, subject for Pow-Wow, Ceremonies, etc., remembering to leave opportunities for enrolments, tests, preparation of recruits, etc. A programme, as a rule, takes longer than expected, as interruptions of some kind or other are sure to come along, so it is better not to try and put in too much.

Having made up this plan, you can see at a glance what you are trying to do with the Pack, and though occasions will still arise when you need to be ready to alter unexpectedly, everything will run much more smoothly. The Brownies also will feel that unconsciously, and settle down more easily.

What do other Brown Owls think about planning Pack Programmes ahead?

A MELBOURNE B.O.

“WHERE'S THAT SMILE?”

B.O. (testing): “Why does a Brownie smile?”

Recruit: “Because she might pass”!!!

A Brownie who has been listening to an animated discussion about some honey-eaters:—

B.: “There's one, Brown Owl”!

B.O.: “One what”?

B.: “You know! One of them gum-suckers”!

BROWNIE LIBRARY AT H.Q.

The following donations received during the past year have enabled us to add a few books to the library:—

Thursday morning Training Class, May, 1929	3 6
Donation received June, 1929	6 0
Thursday Morning Training Class, Oct.-Dec., 1929	10 2
Balance Supper, Br. Guiders' Even- ing, 19/3/30	4 1
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Books Purchased for Library.

No. 25—Winks	2 6
26—Stories of the Birds	4 6
29—Peter Pan and Wendy	2 3
30—Stories of King Arthur	7 6
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	16 9
Balance on hand	7 0
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Two other books have also been added.

No. 27, 100 Singing Games; No. 28, Tales for Brownies.

N.B.—BOOKS BORROWED AND NOT ENTERED.

Nos. 1 and 3 have been missing for some months. Will the borrowers please return them as soon as possible.

The Missing Books are:—

- No. 1—6 Fairy Story Game Songs.
- 3—Stories for Character Training.
- 8—Brown Magic.
- 10—The Brownie Handbook.
- 13—The Wolf-Cub Handbook.
- 24—How to Tell Stories to Children.
- 28—Tales for Brownies.

The library is free to all Guiders. We only ask you to enter carefully when taking and returning books, and please remember that someone else is probably waiting for the book you have, so don't keep it more than 1 month.

D. SEDGFIELD,

Sec. Brownie Library.

BROWNIE CAPS.

The 1st Victorian Post Guide Company are making Brownie Caps in aid of Company Funds. These splendid caps may be had for the small sum of 2/- each. Brown Owls wishing to order caps should write to the Captain—Miss J. S. MacDonald, Tarrawarra—for all particulars.

WEEK-ENDING AT "COONARDOO" AND PEGERSHAM.

As the bus laden with our cases, blankets, (and these were most important, O Best Beloved), and some Guiders climbed Mt. Dandenong it got colder and colder, and we had almost decided that a week-end in June was not the best time to go to the hills, when a cheery little red and green gentleman at the side of the road assured us that it was only half a mile to Coonardoo." He was quite right, for in a few minutes we were being welcomed by Miss Thewlis and Miss Gawler, our Trainer and Q.M. for the week-end; for Fitzroy Guiders were having a training week-end at "Coonardoo," Miss Thewlis's cottage at Kalorama.

Whenever it stopped raining we went for lovely walks, and we floated pins on the Wishing Well and received some most exciting messages from our long-distance signallers. On Monday we walked, slid and were "boffed" to see the Olinda Falls. We don't know whether it was "boffing" or bouncing, or just a slippery path, but there were many ups and downs.

We came home feeling that we knew such a lot, for we had done drill under the pine trees. We might mention that when we started some of us had two left feet and all kinds of queer deformities, however most of us have our feet on the right sides now, but in case of any recurrence of the trouble, all our Guiders have decided that, if we may, we must all have another week-end at "Coonardoo" quite soon.

IN THE TRAIN FROM HEALESVILLE TO MELBOURNE, MONDAY, JUNE 9th.

Dear Matilda,

Some news of our marvellous week-end at "Pegershams"! There were six of us Guiders, with Captain and Lieutenant, and for weeks before we thought of nothing else. I'm sure everyone was exhausted with her first view of "Pegershams", standing so white, with the cloud-capped mountains as a background.

What a thrill to hoist our colours, and see them flying out of doors! There are such lots of things we would love to tell you, but we must pick out the most interesting, such as gymnastics immediately after reveille; country dancing when we were cold; the twenty different birds we observed; roasted chestnuts; hot baths; hot water bags and hot lemon drinks; the visit of Miss MacDonald and her friend, and the trip to Maroondah Dam, which they made possible after our hike lunch to Donnelly's Weir, where we got wet wood to burn in a very wet fireplace. Our billy really did boil. (Why will fires burn brightly when you want to put them out?) A lasting memory will be camp fire and Guiders' Own on the Sunday, when Commandant gave us a true example of the Guide Motto in a story of life in Africa. We envy the next six to go, and wish they could put us in their pockets. Q.M. expresses our feelings in a limerick:—

Eight Guiders from South Yarra took train,

Though drenched by continuous rain,
Not a bit did they worry,
Nor yet even hurry—
They hope to all go there again.

NORMA THURLOW,
Boronia P.L., South Yarra.

THE LAWS OF COPYRIGHT.

Since last issue we have been in communication with the Australasian Performing Right Association Ltd., in Sydney. The following are extracts from the letter received in reply to our enquiry:—

"'Copyright' includes various privileges. There is the sole right of printing the work on paper, the sole right of authorising the reproduction on mechanical devices, such as records and player rolls, and the sole right of authorising performance of the works in public. Your remarks seem to apply to the first right, in that you seem to have been taking copyright musical works and re-printing the words for circulation among the various Companies of your organisation. The printing of words in which copyright subsists is the sole right of the owner of copyright. For example, if no such legal position prevailed, any person upon purchasing a copy of a copyright story could proceed to reprint it and sell volumes at half the price of the original publication; the same would apply to a copyright song.

"If you want to make a collection of songs for the use of Guides, the proper way to go to work is to ascertain the name of the publisher—which will be found printed in the copy—and apply to that party for permission to reproduce the words, stating the purpose for which they are to be used. . . .

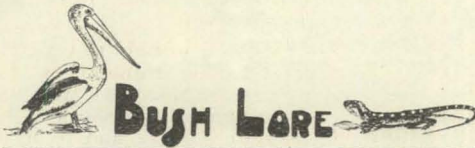
"This Association is only concerned with that section of copyright known as 'Performing Right' You need not worry that this Association would regard the concerts arranged by the Guides as public performances which require the payment of performing fees. . . ."

EDITH H. PURNELL,
Hon. State Secretary.

PHOTOGRAPHIC HANDBOOK.

Messrs. Burroughs, Wellcome & Co. (Australia) Ltd. have left at Headquarters for free distribution amongst Guides interested in photography, some copies of the "Wellcome" Photographic Exposure Calculator, Handbook and Diaries, 1928 edition, and we shall be glad to hand these to any Guides who would like them.

The firm has asked us to inform the Guides to whom the Diaries are handed that they are issued each year, and are obtainable at most photographic stores and retail pharmacies, but should any difficulty be experienced in obtaining supplies from their local chemists or photographic merchants, Kodak (Australasia) Pty. Ltd., and also Harringtons Ltd., Melbourne, should be approached, as they keep a comprehensive arrangement of all photographic products manufactured by the above firm.



WHAT THE THRUSH SINGS.

Winter is ushered in by the English thrush's song, all the more pleasing because of the scarcity of bird music in the cold season, and the bareness of our gardens. At the end of Autumn the thrush may always be listened for, and at first the melody is harsh and broken, as the little brown singer "tunes up" after the silence, due to summer's heat.

The thrushes were late in commencing to sing this year, probably due to the long dry spell in autumn, and the morning on which the drought broke, I awoke to hear a steady down-pour of rain, and mingling with the welcome sound came the first joyous thanksgiving from the thrushes.

The earliest sign of dawn is greeted by song, and again in the evening the thrushes pour out their gladness, often singing until after darkness has fallen. Each bird keeps to his own singing place, usually the top of a tree, or maybe a wireless pole, and returns at the same time every day to "broadcast" his message to a busy world—"Cheer up, cheer up, cheer up; be good, be good, be good."

Throughout the winter the song will continue, becoming more passionate with the advent of spring. At nesting time the strain quite alters, being beautifully tender, and quite different to the hasty shrill sharps of winter.

Many have attempted to capture the thrush's song in verse, and the following lines by S. R. Crockett show how the notes may be put into words:—

"There, there, there (so he sang),
Can't you see, can't you see, can't you see it?

Love is the secret, the secret!
Could you but know it, did you but know it!

Hear me, hear me, hear me!
Down in the forest I loved her.

Sweet, Sweet, Sweet!
Would you but listen.

I would love you!
All is sweet and pure and good!

Twilight and morning dew,
I love it, I love it.

Do you, do you, do you?"
Burroughs, listening in the twilight, hears
the thrush call

"Kiss her, kiss her; do it, do it; be quick, be quick;
That was neat, that was neat; that will do!"

Lord Baden-Powell urges us to follow the
thrush's advice, and

"Stick to it, stick to it."
Many people find it very difficult to distinguish

between different bird songs, and for a beginner, the speckled thrush is a good one to start with. Singing as he does, when most birds are silent, it gives us an excellent opportunity of really getting to know a bird's notes. By the time spring is near at hand, we should be quite familiar with his happy, oft-repeated song; familiar enough to be able to discern the first notes of the blackbird as he pipes in the spring. Very often their songs are confused, but they are quite different.

To learn a bird's song, it is necessary to listen intently, and usually it must be heard several times before it can be fully appreciated. Trying to repeat or whistle a few bars is also a great help. The associations connected with a bird's voice greatly enhance its value, and every call has something to give us. Let us try to get into the habit of naming the bird to ourselves, each time we hear a call. In this way our ears are trained to listen unconsciously for the more delicate sounds that are lost or overlooked in the noise and bustle of our everyday lives. It probably does the beginner more good to learn one bird's song thoroughly, rather than skim over half a dozen. This will be a foundation, and the others will follow easily, in due course. Get acquainted with the ordinary song, the fuller strain of spring, the altered notes of nesting time, and the alarm cry.

A strange bird call conveys nothing to us, it brings no picture to the mind, and is absolutely meaningless. But not for long, if we have the determination to go on and find out things for ourselves, which is worth far more than book-lore. What a pity it is that people imagine they are too busy to do this; that they have no time to listen to a bird singing, for

"What is this life, if full of care,
We have no time to stand and stare."

—J.H.

COMBINED RANGER MEETING.

A combined Ranger meeting was held on Saturday, July 28th, in St. Stephen's hall. Most of the Metropolitan Rangers Companies were there represented, making a gathering in all of about 100.

The programme for the evening consisted mostly of folk dances, varied by games of Tunnel and Overhead Ball.

An exhibition dance of "Newcastle" was delightfully done by some members of the 1st Melbourne Company.

The competition of the evening was one in which, if you could induce anyone to answer your question by a "yes," or "no," they had to forfeit to you one of six beans which they had been given on entering the hall. "I haven't got a bean" became literally true to some of us quite early in the evening.

Apologies were made for Miss Mills, Miss Barfus and others who were unable to be present.

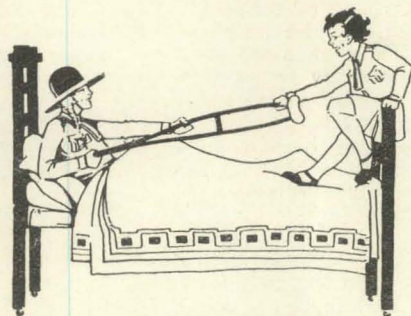
After supper, more folk dances, the programme being concluded by Sellinger's Round, in which we all joined.

The meeting closed with Auld Lang Syne.
1st KEW RANGERS.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

We would remind readers that we welcome all contributions provided that they are signed. The signature need not necessarily be for publication, as a non-de-plume may be used, but we cannot accept anonymous articles.

THE EDITOR.



EXTENSION ECHOES.

WHEN CAPTAIN COMES TO TOWN.

There were no spare moments when Miss MacDonald, Captain of the 1st Victorian Post Guide Company, spent a week-end in town with Miss Campbell, Head of the Extension branch. They commenced activities on the Friday night, attending the 2nd Kew Company meeting, to enrol Anna Dane, of the Post Company. They brought with them Nettie Center, a P.L. in the Post Co.

Another enrolment on Saturday afternoon, this time at Miss Campbell's flat—Hazel Brown, of the Wattle Patrol. Her F.P. (Foster-Parent) and two 1st South Yarra Guides were also present.

First on the programme was a game, in which hidden letters had to be found—even when growing in the flowers of chrysanthemums. Then the chief item—Hazel's enrolment by Captain, followed by a story with everyone in a circle on the floor. Hazel followed her first track from the front door round to the back lawn, where a hidden message told her to "go to the door wearing a Guide badge, and something nice will be found inside." On opening the back door (which had a paper badge pinned on it), the "something nice" proved to be a well-spread table, complete with a birthday cake and thirteen candles, to celebrate Hazel's birthday. A jolly tea, and then Miss Campbell and Captain took Hazel home in the car.

Another company visit which the H. of E. and Captain paid was to Amy Ward, who is still a recruit. Amy is very keen, but is not in a position to do much active work. She is fortunate in having her sister Lottie, who is most eager to help her in every way. As Amy has an F.P., and Lottie to help her, she, too, will soon be enrolled.

And yet another company meeting in this one short week-end—a get-together meeting of F.P.s to discuss plans with Captain and the H. of E., and to learn more of the inner workings of the Company—a happy time.

Thus it is "When Captain comes to town."

K.S.

Note: A Foster-Parent is a Guider or Ranger who visits a Post Guide to help her with her work, tests, etc.—Ed.

GRAMOPHONE RECORDS FOR COUNTRY DANCING.

The following list may be of help to Guiders, who can obtain the use of a gramophone, for the Company's country dancing, but who are not sure which of the dances are recorded. We have chosen the simpler dances, and in most cases the noted music (with descriptions of the dances) is obtainable at Headquarters:—

Dances, **Sage Leaf, Child Grove.** Record No. C 1265, price 6/; Printed Music, Vol. IV, Graded Series, price 4/-.

Dances, **Ruffy Tufty, Sellenger's Round, Sweet Kate.** Record No., Columbia 3251, price 4/; Printed Music, Vol. I (Graded); 4/; Vol. III (Graded), 4/; Introd. to C.D., 6/.

Dances, **Flowers of Edinburgh, Christchurch Bells,** Record No. C 1264, H.M.V., price 6/; Printed Music, Vol. III (Graded), 4/-.

Dances, **The Butterfly, The Black Nag, The New Bo-Peep.** Record No. 3254, price 4/-; Printed music, Introd. to C.D., 6/-.

Dances, **Haste to the Wedding, Bonnets so Blue,** Record No. O 1809, price 6/; Printed Music, Vol. III Graded, 4/-.

Single sheet music (1/-) is obtainable for the following Dances out of the above list:—

Ruffy Tufty, Sellenger's Round, Sweet Kate, The Butterfly, The Black Nag, Haste to the Wedding.

F. V. BARFUS.

SHEET MUSIC—COUNTRY DANCES.

(Price 1/ each, stocked at Headquarters.)

The Butterfly; The Black Nag; Confess; Chelsea Reach; The Fine Companion; Gathering Peascods; Grimstock; Goddesses; Haste to the Wedding; Hunsdon House; Hey, Boys, Up Go We; Hyde Park; If all the World were Paper; Jamaica; The Lady in the Dark; My Lady Cullen; Mage on a Cree; The Merry Conceit; Newcastle; Nonesuch; The Old Mole; Ruffy Tufty; Sellenger's Round; Row Well, Ye Mariners; Ribbon Dance; Sweet Kate; Three Meet, or The Pleasures of the Town; Parson's Farewell; We Won't Go Home till Morning.

THE GUIDE.

At last, after seven months, during which not a single copy of "The Guide" has reached us, a vast number—about 7000 copies!—have arrived, and the Magazine Secretary has been for days an interesting sight, snowed up among hessian wrappings, all sorts of enveloping paper, from which emerged the copies of "The Guide" in thousands. The high piles are gradually decreasing as she and some extra Guide and Guider helpers gradually get the parcels of 31 copies packed for our regular subscribers. There should be great rejoicing in the various Companies when this large number arrive—no more waiting for the next instalment of the serial!

We are relying on the Guides to help us to dispose of our large stock of the magazine by continuing their subscriptions, in spite of the disappointment and inconvenience the long de-

lay has been to them. We still have not been able to find out the true reason for the non-arrival of the papers for all these months, although we have a suspicion that the packets may have been sent to Victoria, British Columbia, instead of Australia. Now that the duplicate copies have come, we shall have a large account to meet from London Headquarters, and would be considerably embarrassed if Guides had meanwhile decided to cancel their subscriptions. There is no doubt about the usefulness to a Company of this very interesting Guide paper, and we should be glad to send specimen copies to Guiders who have not yet seen it.

We have at Headquarters a large number of copies of "The Guide" for last year. We have been selling these at 1d. each, and less, rather than have them lying unused, but have now decided to give them to Guide Companies who do not yet subscribe for this paper. On receipt of 1/4 in stamps for postage on the parcel, we shall be glad to send 30 copies (more or less consecutive) if Guiders will just write for them.

WARRANTS.

District Secretary:

Horsham: Miss Nance Allan.

Captains:

1st Carnegie—Miss Maud Bullock.
1st Shepparton—Miss Dulcie Rokahr.
2nd Toorak—Miss Helen Tuddenham.
1st Vic. Post Guides—Miss J. MacDonald.

Lieutenants:

1st Bena—Miss Mary Dean.
9th Geelong—Miss A. F. Gaylard.

Brown Owl:

1st Bena Pack—Miss Eileen Harper.
1st Oakleigh Pack—Miss Hilda Garnar.

Tawny Owl:

1st Oakleigh Pack—Miss Nance Geggie.
Ranger Patrol Registration—1st Seymour.
Pack Registration—1st Murrumbeena Pack.

CAMPING.

A Conference of Guiders holding the Camper's Licence. Quartermaster's Certificate, or Indoor Camp Test Certificate will be held at Headquarters on Friday evening, 18th July, 1930, at 7 p.m.

EDITH H. PURNELL,
Head of Camping.

TRAINING.

Training Classes.

Guiders should communicate with their Commissioner before attending Classes, and everyone who has not previously been nominated must bring a Nomination Form signed by her Commissioner. A charge of 3d. per night is made to cover expenses of Classes. Notices of Training Classes, etc., are published in Tues-

day's "Argus" Wednesday's "Age," and Saturday's "Sun," and are posted on Headquarters Notice Board. Classes are held, unless otherwise notified, at Girl Guide Headquarters, 60 Market Street, at 7.45 p.m.

Brownie Training.

The present course began on Tuesday, 8th July, with Miss Mary Alenson in charge.

General Guide Training.

The 5th course will begin on Friday, 25th July, with Miss M. Urquhart in charge.

The 6th Course will be held on Mondays, beginning about the end of August.

Ranger Training.

The 2nd Course for this year began on Thursday, 3rd July, with Miss Barfus in charge.

MERLE BUSH,
Head of Training.

FROM THE COMMONWEALTH YEAR BOOK, 1929.

The Territories of, or under, the control of the Commonwealth are of three classes:—

- (a) Territories originally parts of the States which have been surrendered by the States to the Commonwealth. These are Northern Territory (formerly part of the State of South Australia); and the Federal Capital Territory (formerly part of the State of New South Wales).
- (b) Territories, not parts of States, which have been placed under the authority of the Commonwealth by Order in Council under Section 122 of the Constitution. These are Papua and Norfolk Island.
- (c) Territories which have been placed under the administration of the Commonwealth by Mandate issued by the League of Nations. These are the Territory of New Guinea and (administered in conjunction with the British and New Zealand Governments), Nauru.

The Territories in class (a) only are parts of the Commonwealth.

G. H. SWINBURNE.

THANK YOU!

The Guiders of Fitzroy and Collingwood desire to express their thanks to all those who kindly sent in parcels of clothes for their Jumble Sale. The Guides have been able to help the missions of the District to the extent of £20.

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