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*"We're the Brownies  
Here's Our Aim—  
Lend a Hand  
and Play the Game."*



Drawings by Mrs. E. Lawn.

## STATE COMMISSIONER'S DIARY

Since my last letter I have done practically no Guiding, except for meeting Guide friends. Lady Slim was very interested to hear about us, and send her love and best wishes. They are very busy moving into their new house in London.

One of my desires always has been to take a boat on a river and feast my eyes on the scenery, so I hired a small cruiser that contained six berths, a small sun deck and a largish saloon, where we cooked and ate meals, and was actually my cabin as well to sleep in. We started from Thames Duton on the Thames, and nearly went up as far as Oxford, but, unfortunately, we had to bring the boat back to where we started from. However, we did 175 miles all told, and went through 50 locks. I wondered most of the time if I could possibly become a Sea Ranger now! I am almost perfect at throwing ropes on mooring posts, etc.!

The scenery was lovely, except for one wet day; the sun did shine, but it was fairly cool. Five in number, we were for the first three days—after that just three. Those of you who may be thinking of coming over to England some time I know would love it. The scenery was lovely, and the lockmasters most patient! It is most necessary that one can swim, as a ghastly accident occurred on one cruiser. A small child fell in, and her father dived to rescue her, but both were drowned. It happened so quickly, and those who can't swim can only look on. It was for me a real lovely camping holiday. We moored in glorious surroundings to spend the night amongst swans, ducks, fish, birds, and squirrels overhead. We fed all these creatures.

I want to tell you about some Scout project that occurred during this last year at my nephew's school. Apparently, according to the headmaster, their Scouts are outstanding in every way. They help, they give, the standard of service, and their service to the country. However, they organised a 450 horse trek in Norway; they did it in ten days and had a marvellous time. I feel the Senior Service perhaps could arrange to do this, perhaps not in Norway, but certainly in our beautiful mountain

country. Apparently it was an outstanding success. There are always people pleased to help with holiday projects such as these.

I expect you all know about the Overseas Department at Commonwealth Headquarters. For many years it was run by Miss Commander and Miss Armstrong, two very good and real friends of many Australians. They did so much for us all. They came to the age of retirement, and now live in the sweetest Red Riding Hood cottage in Kent. I went down to see them and had a lovely day. Their garden is full of flowers, and they have a cat, dog, various birds and fish, and a Guide Company apart from other things, and are very happy! Many things in the garden have been given by different countries.

On Thursday, 15th June, I went to a Commonwealth Circle Party, held at the Cloth-makers' Hall, off Mincing Lane—a lovely party! Our Chief Guide welcomed us, with the President. All the members of the World Committee were there. It was a lovely evening, and a number from Victoria were there. I must say the Commonwealth Circle is very good to visitors from overseas, and we do appreciate it. No visiting Guide need be lonely in this country. We were privileged to hear about the Guild of Clothworkers by the Master and Clerk, who were present. They also showed us some of the glorious gold plate. The Chief Guide spoke to us, and was, as usual, most interesting, of her latest travels. The Chief has arranged a big programme across America, starting in September next. Our love and best wishes go with her.

Miss Manning has been over for the World Committee Meeting, and has been extremely busy. They have to work hard, and they all look rather tired. Miss Manning flew back yesterday, and I will return early July. I have loved my stay here, and will be seeing all of you soon, and hearing more of your news. Meanwhile all good wishes to you.

*Gene Farbarer*

# Brownie Branch



## WORKING TOGETHER

No one who has worked with Brownies would ever call them pure joy! They are a challenge to every quality we possess—love and understanding, courage and humour, patience and perseverance, enthusiasm and energy—the list is endless. But, equally, no one who has ever worked happily as a Brownie Guider would deny that, despite all the headaches and heartaches, worries and perplexities, we gain far more from the Brownies than ever we can hope to give them. And, if in addition we have had the extra privilege of working together happily as a team of Guiders, our Guiding has been rich indeed.

Laughing together after a Pack meeting, even if the laughter has a rueful note, catching each other's eyes across Brownie Ring of Pow-Wow, avoiding them when to giggle would be fatal, heaving a sigh of relief when the last Brownie has said good-bye and the hall can be locked, quietly planning programmes together or toiling home from a Pack outing, we all have our special memories of shared experience, whether they be gay or sad or simply frustrating.

Our relationship with our District Commissioner can also be one in which we have found warmth and friendship and the joy of belonging to the Guide Movement. She is our "guide, philosopher and friend"; we turn to her for advice and help; we take her our troubles and our difficulties; we share with her our successes and our failures, our triumphs and our tragedies. She misses so much of the fun that is ours in our direct contact with the children, that we don't envy her wider privileges, knowing what larger responsibilities they entail.

Our Brownies know her and enjoy her visits to our Pack, showing her what fun we have, sharing our special occasions with her, as well as our everyday tasks.

If she leaves, we say good-bye with sadness, and hope her successor will be a worthy one. Being human, we may perhaps reserve our judgment, but our new Commissioner is also a Guide, whether newly enrolled or an old hand, so we welcome her as our sister and refrain from making odious comparisons. We can realise how apprehensive she may feel on her first visit to us, and ensure that we, as well as our Brownies, help her become a happy part of the Pack meeting. We can stifle the childish impulse of trying her out by plunging her into technical discussions, and instead learn to appreciate the gifts and qualities she will bring to serve the Movement. If we ourselves are new, we can all learn together to play the game of Guiding well for the children's sake. She is senior to us and the leader of our District Patrol, so all that we do must ultimately go through her hands, just as Brown Owl is senior to Tawny and the final responsibility for the Pack is hers. But the Founder wanted us to go adventuring together as older and younger sisters, co-operating together through our individual keenness, not bound collectively with restrictive red tape.

Rank demands our respect; but personal regard and affection we earn for ourselves. Love and trust will always overcome the difficulties of life, be they large or small. Guiding is no exception to this golden rule; indeed, it is the living proof of it throughout the world.

—C.M.



### NEWS FROM PORT MORESBY

Members of the Brownie Branch will be interested in a letter received from Mrs. Yabsley, of Port Moresby, Papua. Many of you have been in contact with her, some still writing. Mrs. Yabsley is building up another series of slides, which she will forward to me towards the end of the year, and, if you would like to borrow these to show to your Pack, would you let me have your name and address, so they can get into circulation on arrival?

Quote from letter: "When I sent Miss Broadhurst my Brownie slides to use, I had absolutely no idea of reward, but just felt as Brownie leaders we could draw our Brownies closer together across the sea. I just had no conception of the generosity of your Guiders and Packs. They not only wrote and sent gifts for Christmas, but many write regularly, and it makes me feel that I, too, am a part of the Australian Guiding set up, as I have never actively been in Guiding anywhere but Papua. Last week I received some slides from a Koonwarra Pack, and our Brownies were too surprised even to speak when they saw cows and koalas and long-sleeved uniforms. Pascoe Vale, Merlynston, Deepdene, Wan-

garatta—so many Packs have sent greetings and parcels. We have just enrolled the first Brownies in a village built on stilts in the water, Roku. Ties for the Pack came from several Packs in Victoria, as has soap and washers, which will be used for a Brownie service of washing the small children of an entire village. You can well feel proud of the Brownies and Leaders in Victoria.

"To my complete amazement one Pack and mothers have offered uniforms for the entire Pack at Kanderinka—skirts and ties, of course. This is a small village we are opening up now, and money is practically never seen in it. They depend on their gardens and fishing. Victoria is helping us to keep such places. I am building up another series of slides, but these are mostly in these further-away villages, and many of your Guiders have asked to borrow them for their Packs. If I send another lot to you towards the end of the year, could you let Packs borrow them for showing? It would mean so much to an individual Brownie to actually see where the gift they sent went—to see her cake of soap washing a little black baby, or see her tie being put on a little brown chest—these things would make their service live for them."

D. FOX.



### PLEASE NOTE !

THE GUIDER'S LIBRARY  
AT HEADQUARTERS WILL BE  
**C L O S E D**  
UNTIL AFTER BUILDING ALTERATIONS.  
—L.S.

### OLD HATS ! OLD HATS !

Can anyone please help the Publicity Department. We urgently require three Guide hats—vintage 1925-1936. If you have one of these gems of antiquity in your possession, the Publicity Department would be most grateful if you could give it to them, please!

# International

## NEWS FROM AMERICA

This is an excerpt from a letter written to our State Secretary by Miss Enid Bunning, one of the two representatives to the **Visitor-Observer Project**.

"If anybody is kind enough to ask if you have heard from me, tell them I have been kept very busy having a wonderful time. Never have I met such a number of kind-hearted people anxious to show me everything and discuss it all.

I was a full month in the twin cities of Minneapolis-St. Paul, and saw a wide range of Girl Scout activities at all levels, from a Brownie Fly-up en masse to meetings of their Programme and Education Committees, and I have been entertained at breakfast, morning coffee, lunch, tea, dinner and supper at a variety of places. (I can still touch my toes!)

The programme arranged for me from now on is a tourists' delight. I am to spend a fortnight with the Memphis G.S. Council, including possibly a four-day trip with a Marine Troop to the Hot Springs State Park in Arkansas; then I join 500 Senior Scouts for a week's cruise on the Mississippi to New Orleans. There Bev Taylor and I join forces, and are "on our own" for ten days—wherein we intend to get Mexican visas, fly to Mexico City, thence to Our Cabana (all kindly arranged by U.S. National G.S. H.Q.). We fly back to Washington, D.C., on 10th July to continue our Girl Scout programme. Further details are not yet to hand, but we will be at Macy the same time (to 28th July), but doing different courses, and are to look in on a Wilderness Camp in Oregon in August, on our way back to San Francisco for the plane home. My current motto is "**I wouldn't change places with anybody.**"

We are very fortunate to have Miss Bunning coming back to our State, so we will learn first-hand about all her wonderful travels and trainings. We wish her a safe journey home.



## ARE YOU TRAVELLING OVERSEAS?

The International Commissioner for Australia has asked us to publish the correct information about distinguishing marks for members for the Movement travelling overseas.

### Australia Flashes:

These may be worn by every uniformed member of the Movement—**when abroad**—who is in the possession of an **International Introduction Card**.

Two are worn, one on each shoulder, to cover the seam where the arm is joined. On return to Australia they must be removed.

### Australia Flags:

These are worn only by members of the Movement who **represent** Australia abroad. That is, Contingents, Juliette Low Representatives, Guiders chosen individually to attend some gathering. One flag is worn over the right pocket by all. These flags **must** be removed on return to Australia. Guides, Rangers and Cadets (but not Guiders) may replace it by a World Flag Emblem, which may be worn until the girl leaves the Ranger or Cadet Company. Contingents who have been abroad will be wearing their overseas appropriate badges (Windsor, Our Chalet, etc.). This is established practice, but there are no rules about it.

Flags, etc., are worn on the blouse or jacket, but not usually on jumpers. Anybody entitled to wear the **Australian Flag** also wears the **Australian Badge** on the beret instead of the State Badge.

Will those Victorian Guides, Rangers and Cadets who have represented Australia at overseas camps and Juliette Low girls, etc., who would like a World Flag Emblem to wear, please apply to the State International Representative (Mrs. J. L. Pearson, "Gowrie," Berwick, Victoria) enclosing 5d. and a stamped addressed envelope.

### ADULT OPPORTUNITIES FOR SCHOLARSHIPS AND SHORT-TERM OBSERVATIONS

Following on the invitation from the Girl Scouts of America comes this invitation for **Adult Opportunities for Scholarships and Short-Term Observations.**

#### What They Are:

Opportunities for participation as students in appropriate courses at Edith Macy Training School and other training schools, with registration fees and living expenses covered by the Juliette Low World Friendship Fund.

Opportunities for short-term observations in Girl Scout councils and camps or at national events. Living expenses to be covered by the Juliette Low World Friendship Fund.

It is preferred that these two opportunities be combined—that is, a person who receives a scholarship also visits in a local Girl Scout Council for a short period. However, if time is limited, a qualified applicant may participate in a course at one of our national training centres without the observation, or she may observe Girl Scouting in a council or camp without the training course.

#### Qualifications for Participants:

An applicant must be a registered adult member of a Girl Guide/Girl Scout Association outside of the U.S.A. Applicant must be endorsed by her Association. Additional qualifications appropriate to a given training event or assignment may be required in certain events. Applicants should be Guiders who are temporarily in the United States for other purposes and who will be able to share their learnings with their associations upon their return home.

#### Time Involved:

Usually one to four weeks.

#### Responsibilities of Participating Girl Guide/Scout Associations:

Send endorsement and information about applicant. Indicate possible contributions to her Association from the experience.

#### Responsibilities of Applicant:

Must furnish necessary information; participate actively in selected programme; report

as requested; share learnings with own Association.

#### Finances:

Living expenses and registration fees will be provided by the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. No travel assistance is available.

#### Application:

By letter, supplemented by any special application or registration forms required for the special event.

BETTY PEARSON (Mrs. J. L.),  
State International Representative.

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### ARE YOU ABOUT TO TRAVEL?

The International Commissioner for Australia would like those members of the Association who are about to travel to follow this procedure.

Obtain two forms from your Headquarters or State International representative; these are to be filled in with the proposed itinerary, details of rank in the Association and principal interests, as well as date of departure and expected return. A card of introduction is issued by Headquarters. One form is kept at our Headquarters for record, one is passed on to the State International representative, who also makes a record, and it then goes to the Australian International Commissioner, who deals with it accordingly.

Some years ago the Australian Council decided that, before being issued with an introduction card, the member must promise not to go hitch-hiking whilst abroad. We do not ask for this promise now, BUT the condition still holds. Anybody who is given an introduction card must remember that they are NOT TO GO HITCH-HIKING.

It is most important to remember that at all times, and in all countries, the honour and reputation of the Girl Guides Association must be kept on the highest level.

Introduction cards make it so much easier for the traveller to introduce herself throughout the Guiding World, and gain admittance to many Guide and Girl Scout functions.

BETTY PEARSON,  
State International Representative.

## The Ninth Local Association Conference

A peep into the Lower Melbourne Town Hall early on the morning of 5th June showed the members of Newport and Williamstown L.A.'s (this year's Conference Committee) preparing for the day's activities. Soon all was in readiness, and promptly at 10 a.m. morning tea was served by members of Chilwell, Geelong, L.A. They had risen before the lark to be in town on time, and their efforts were much appreciated by many country travellers as well as busy suburban delegates.

After the National Anthem, Mrs. Tweedley, President of Newport L.A. and Chairwoman for the morning session, welcomed everyone and the Conference began.

In opening the Conference, Miss Sheila MacLeod gave us glimpses of the World Conference in Greece, which she attended last year. All too soon we had to drag our thoughts away from the friendly Guides and Brownies beside the Aegean Sea, for a quick glance through the very informative booklets we had been given showed a very full programme before us.

So we applied our minds to the subject of Commissioner-L.A. relationship, with Mrs. Miller, of Murrumbidgee L.A., showing how the L.A. can consider and help the Commissioner. Mrs. Morton, Travelling Commissioner, followed with ideas from the Commissioner's approach, suggesting that L.A.'s take a very active part in trying to find Guiders. It was a matter for each individual L.A. to decide whether to have an elected President or the Commissioner. Then Mrs. Farthing, President of Bendigo L.A., gave us some ideas for money-raising, such as Table Setting Display, Antique Show, Jumble Sale and Donation Jar or Opportunity Table for each meeting.

Everyone was delighted that we next had the opportunity of listening to Miss Peg Barr, Organising Secretary, who is shortly going to Thailand to help with training there. Miss Barr enlightened the Conference on procedure for testing for various Proficiency and First Class Badges.

The final speaker for the morning was Miss M. Cooper, H.Q. Commissioner (and

financial wizard), who gave many interesting figures relating to the Guide Shop activities, expansion at H.Q., and the salaried staff now required to cope with work at Headquarters. Miss Cooper indicated that it is now possible for girls to take up Guiding as a full-time, fully-paid career. Trained Guiders are filling a great need in New Guinea, Northern Territory, and in other States.

Just before the luncheon adjournment, Miss McCartney, State Secretary, introduced members of Headquarters personnel, so that delegates might more readily recognise these Guiders at other times.

Wattle Park L.A. served an excellent lunch, and many friendships were made or renewed at this juncture.

The afternoon session commenced under the chairmanship of Mrs. Neill, President of Williamstown L.A., and the first speaker was Miss McDonald, Camping Adviser, who made a plea for more camping areas. A point to be emphasised was that sufficient and correct particulars be given to Guides when travelling to camps or coming to the city for various functions.

Question Box then followed, with Miss McCartney in charge of what was termed the "fish pond," and many and varied were the queries which she "hooked" for all Advisers to answer.

Before closing, the successful candidates for the State Council were announced as Mrs. Meadon, of Clayton, and Mrs. Shorter, of Glenhuntly.

Mrs. S. Mackay, Assistant State Commissioner, then thanked the Conference Committee, under the guidance of Mrs. R. G. Orr, Assistant State Commissioner, for all the work that had been done to make the Conference so interesting and successful.

Finally, Footscray and Yarraville L.A.'s served the ever-welcome cup of afternoon tea.

Last year 400 attended the Conference, this year 500. Will YOU come and help swell the numbers even more next year?

NANCIE WORTLEY,  
President Heidelberg/Ivanhoe L.A.

## DJINDUNGA REUNION

"Is it really nine months—**nine** months since I saw you? It seems such a short time since we were camping at Paxwold in Western Australia. You know the Jubilee Pageant—the one we missed? Well, I've heard so much about it that I feel almost as if I were there too. It works both ways though. The Company's heard so much about Djindunga that they're all green with envy."

Typical of the conversations heard during Queen's Birthday week-end at Brownie Cottage and Guide House? Yes, and it was wonderful to see so many of the Contingent making the effort to travel from all parts of Victoria to be together again. They came and left at different times, but the spirit was revived and many friendships strengthened as forty Guides, Rangers and Guiders met for a week-end of fun and, luckily, glorious weather.

Saturday morning, after Colours, eager beavers scrambled energetically up that last hill to the falls, and from then on tongues were seldom still! Brownie days rushed back after lunch as the Guides had a Fairy Ring around a ring of toadstools on one of the House campsites. The Baden-Powell Hut, with a large log fire, was the setting for a long and happy campfire where the Djindunga song and so many others were sung beautifully by the Guides. The last gap in the 2000+ miles was closed finally with the singing of "Kum Ba Yah" and "Now Our Campfire Fadeth."

Slides—hundreds of them! Every aspect of the trip was covered from every possible, and sometimes impossible, angle. Adelaide, Perth, Camp, Hikes, Djindunga Games, and the train journey—it was all there in colour, flashing before eager faces. Slides and movies—a tangible reminder of a camp that was only the beginning of many friendships.

Not so brightly at first—but soon gathering strength—many left before dawn on Sunday to hike to Miss Jermyn's farm and the picturesque river, with the pink-faced dawn and dew outlined cobwebs for company. Later, at the Guides' Own personal endeavours were strengthened by the inspiring talk given by Mrs. Kit Williamson on

Challenge and Adventure and how all had been given the vision to carry through life to achieve the very best.

Before lunch the photographer arrived and, after several attempts, the group was arranged, and later in the afternoon the candid photographs arrived—a copy for all and, of course, one to send to the Djindunga Camp Commandant. Inspiration followed as Guides made what they could of given ingredients for a hike lunch. Eggs cooked on pins turned out a great success! People started to leave during the afternoon, but tea was followed by more slides and a campfire, with Patrols providing some very funny stunts.

It seemed as if the previous day had been too much as tea and toast appeared to commence the "back-to-front" Monday morning breakfast! Some almost missed lunch after staying too long at Jack Yallock in the morning. The cause? Unsuccessful attempts to start the pump! The clean-up process was most enjoyable, and cobwebby figures rushed to and fro, giving the House and the Cottage a spring clean to justify the weather.

Final Colours were the usual sad, but happy, occasion. Miss Binns thanked every one for coming, as she in turn was thanked for making the week-end possible. It was a thoroughly enjoyable reunion. Next one?

"BABIRRA."




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### ROOM TO LET

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# TRAINING NOTES

## THE WILLIE WAGTAIL

Last month we were talking about some black and white birds—the Pee-Wee and the Magpie. Now I'm going to tell you about my favourite bird—and he's also black and white—the Willie Wagtail. I said with the Blue Wren, that if you didn't know a Blue Wren you could hardly fail to recognise him when he appeared. And so it is with Mr. or Mrs. Willie Wagtail. They are very well-named, as their fan-shaped tail is never still—wagging from side to side as they hop about the ground. There is only one chance of you making a mistake in identifying him. There is another bird very like Willie—black on his back and white underneath—but the point to look for is whether he has a black throat or whether the white runs the whole distance on the underside of him. If he has a black throat, he is the Willie Wagtail, and you will notice he also has a white eyebrow. This other bird, the one that has the white underneath his body, extending right up over his throat, is the Restless Flycatcher or Scissors Grinder, so called because some people have likened his harsh call to the noise made when grinding scissors. His other name, Restless Flycatcher, is, of course, also descriptive, and, like the Wagtail, he is always on the move, darting about in search of food.

I would say that, if you see a small black and white bird, about 8 inches in size, he is most likely to be a Willie, as there seem to be many more of them about—certainly as far as I personally am concerned, though I can only remember seeing a Restless Flycatcher on two occasions—I simply couldn't count the number of times I've seen Willies. I am particularly fortunate, as there has always been at least one family of Willies in my garden. They have nested with us each year, and I've watched family after family grow up. Whether or not it is the same birds that nest each year, or whether it is the next generation, I couldn't say.

I suppose you are wanting to know why I said the Willie is my favourite bird. There's so many special things about him

that it's hard to just explain. Perhaps, first of all, because of his courage. Willies are easily the most courageous of any birds I know, and will tackle enemies several times their size without hesitation, even me—though I'd hate to be classed as an enemy of theirs—but at first they can hardly be expected to know, and they're not taking any chances. On one occasion, when I approached a Willie's nest with my movie camera, having seen from a distance that the young birds were having their first flying lessons that day, both parent birds attacked me furiously, "dive bombing" me unceasingly and shouting abuse, and, try as I would, I found it impossible to stop myself "ducking" involuntarily every time these little creatures swooped in to the attack. I have seen the same sort of thing when I watched them one day attempting to drive off a Kookaburra who was sitting on a gatepost not far from their nest. (Kookaburras, of course, are enemies of little birds, as they are meat-eaters and will steal nestlings from the nest if they can.) But the Kookaburra was braver than I was, and he continued to sit, apparently unconcerned in the face of the furious onslaught. But I chuckled to see that the Willies were finding their target, as each time they flew into the attack the Kookaburra grew an inch or two taller as he involuntarily straightened on his perch when a sharp beak struck into his back. But the Willies persisted, and finally Mr. Kookaburra had had more than enough and flew off.

I have more I want to tell you about my Willies—but I'd better keep it till next month. I hope you'll have met a Willie by then. So, till next month, best of luck.

—C.W.

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## COMMISSIONERS' UNIFORM REQUIRED

Suit style; size, S.W.; waist, 28 in.; bust, 36 in. Write to Mrs. McMurtrie, "Mundarra," Stawell.



### BROWNIE BRANCH TRAINING PAGE

The Victorian Executive has approved the wording of the **Note** inserted after Section of the Brownie First Class Test, Rule 43 P.O. & R., be altered to read as follows:—

"Brownies must be ready to be tested in all sections before entering for Golden Hand; but knitting and plant growing may be tested earlier if ready. The testing may be spread over days, or even weeks, but the Brownie must be able to do all the work covered by the test when the badge is applied for.

The Commissioner appoints testers, who may be Guiders other than those of the Pack to which the Brownie belongs, or other persons who have the necessary knowledge of the work and standard expected."

#### AMENDMENTS TO P.O. & R.

##### Rule 41, Second Class:

8. Delete and substitute, "Pass two of the following clauses:—

- (a) From a cross-legged sitting position, with arms folded, stand up and sit down in good style three times.
- (b) Without touching the ground with hands or feet, cover a distance of ten yards on two inverted flower-pots or tins.
- (c) Balancing a ball on a board about 8 inches square, held flat on the palm of the hand, walk with good posture round a figure of eight. Repeat, using the other hand.

##### Rule 43, First Class:

12. Delete "two of the following steps" and substitute "any two fancy steps, such as":

#### BUTTON SEWING FOR BROWNIE TESTS

Brownies must "show two methods of sewing on buttons, and sew one button on to a garment" in order to pass her Second Class Test. Best results are obtained by making the task an interesting one, and the following methods are suggested to make

this part of the test more interesting to your Brownies:—

1. A button-decorated belt, or a plastic six-flower pot, with buttons sewn on to rounds of felt as flowers, attached to a piece of wire for stems, and a few leaves cut out of felt or plastic.
2. A serviette ring of tapestry canvas decorated with darning stitch, and a button to fasten it together.
3. A needle book of felt. Suggested shape, a basket or an oblong of desired size, with flannel for inside cut about  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch smaller all round. Decorations for front of needle book:—
  - (a) Two buttons as flowers, add stems and leaves cut from green felt.
  - (b) A cat with a large 4-hole button for body and a 2-hole button for head. Work ears, whiskers and tail.
  - (c) A safety-first design, with a long strip of coloured felt and a red, yellow and green button sewn in place.
4. A pen wiper. Cut four small squares or circles of suitable material, with a button sewn in the middle to hold them together. The pen is then wiped between the folds.

#### Method of Sewing on Buttons is as follows:

Using double thread, secure the cotton where the button is to be placed, with back stitches on the right side. Then stitch several times through the garment and holes in the buttons. Finish by winding the cotton several times round the shank, and bring the cotton to the wrong side, securing it with back stitches.

#### Types of Buttons:

- (a) A coat button with four holes and requiring a sewn shank.
- (b) A blouse or linen button with two or four holes but for thin material.
- (c) A button with a shank on the back and no holes on the surface.

The main considerations in stitching on buttons are that—

- (1) They match the buttonhole.
- (2) The cotton matches and is strong.
- (3) There is room for the buttonhole behind the button.
- (4) The back of the work is neat and is not a "spider"! —D. MACDONALD.



Trench Fire

—Courtesy "The Council Fire."

### CAMP NIGHT

The week before each Guide is asked to bring either a large ground-sheet or rug.

Arriving at the Hall, they are told to set up camp.

No. 1 Patrol—Erect Colours.

No. 2 Patrol—Make grease and dry pits (Large cardboard cartons and rolled and torn newspaper quite effective.)

No. 3 Patrol—Draw plan of store tent.

No. 4 Patrol—Gadget.

While camp is being set up, Guiders arrange pictures of animals, flowers, birds and insects around the wall.

Guides set up sleeping tents, forms, chairs or chalk lines) and go to bed. Remove ties, belts, shoes, sox.

Guiders to round and say good-night. See that everything is off the ground.

Lights out, Taps, silence.

Then get up whistle. Guides dress.

Horseshoe and Colours.

Inspection and Roll Call. (Inspection is held outside tents, and Guides and tents are inspected.)

Free time.

Patrols work out dinner menus, which are then discussed in circle.

Beret handed round. In it are paper slips, on which is written some scrap which is found in camp, e.g., tins, peelings, bones, etc.

Guides place these in appropriate pits; and, whilst this is being done, the Guiders remove the nature pictures from around the Hall.

Inspect the grease pit, etc.

Game.—What animals and insects, etc., are found around this camp site?

Camp fire.

### FUNDAMENTALS OF GUIDING

I wonder if you would agree with me that these are at least some of the fundamental thoughts of Guiding?

1. The Law and the Promise.
2. That even the smallest Brownie must **give** something to Guiding.
3. That Guiding is **not** just another club.
4. That the International aspect is important.
5. The Patrol System—remembering that it is often difficult to carry out, for we are so inclined to find it easier to "do things ourselves."
6. Open-mindedness. There are always new ways, and isn't it here that the new Guider often has an advantage, for she doesn't think in terms of "What Captain Did"?

As Baden-Powell once wrote:—"First I had an idea, then I saw an ideal. Now we have a Movement, and, if some of you don't watch out, we shall end up with just an organisation."

### GAMES FOR GUIDES.

The Company is divided into two even teams and lined up some distance apart. Each will defend a clearly marked goal—one at each end of the Hall, e.g., between two chairs.

The umpire throws the ball into the air in the centre of the Hall, and all members of the teams strive to get it and throw it through the goal.

The ball is returned to the centre after each goal is scored. Local rules may be made as required for individual Companies. E.g., penalty throws, the ball to pass through the hands of a certain number of team members before going through the goal, etc.

The winning team is, of course, the one scoring the most goals. The game is known as hurly burly!

## TRAINING DEPARTMENT

### DANDENONG

#### Guide and Brownie:

Six weeks' course, commencing 1st August.  
Place: Dandenong Guide Hall. Time: 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Guider-in-charge—Brownie: Mrs. A. Sharp.  
Guide: Mrs. R. Stuart.

### CENTRAL COURSES—GUIDE

#### Daytime:

Ten weeks' course, commencing 14th September. Place: National Fitness Council Training Centre, 4th Floor, 161 Flinders Lane. Time: 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Guider-in-charge: Mrs. D. Moors.

#### Evening:

Eight weeks' course, commencing 21st September (plus one week-end, 30th September-1st October). Place: National Fitness Training Centre, 4th Floor, 161 Flinders Lane. Time: 7.45 p.m.-9.45 p.m.

Guider-in-charge: Miss E. Bunning.

(Guiders wishing to apply for this course must have been working at least three months with Company.)

### CENTRAL COURSES—BROWNIE

#### Daytime:

Eight weeks' course, commencing 27th September. Place: National Fitness Council Training Centre, 4th Floor, 161 Flinders Lane. Time: 10 a.m.-12 noon.

Guider-in-charge: Mrs. J. Barratt.

#### Evening:

Eight weeks' course, commencing 12th September. Place: National Fitness Training Centre, 4th Floor, 161 Flinders Lane. Time: 7.45 p.m.-9.45 p.m.

Guider-in-charge: Miss D. Holtz.

Guiders applying for the above courses should be enrolled, and, if possible, have attended Pack or Company Meetings. Applications should be sent on the official nomination form, and should reach the Training Secretary at Headquarters at least one week before the commencing date for each particular class.

### SPECIALISED TRAINING—1st CLASS

#### Evening:

29th August—Mapping and Compass.

5th September—Knowledge of Movement.

12th September—Commonwealth Knowledge Badge.

19th September—Child Nurse, 1st Class Proficiency Badge.

26th September—First Aid.

3rd October—Home Nursing. 8 Pine Ave., Camberwell.

Place: 4th Floor, National Fitness Training Centre, 161 Flinders Lane. Time: 7.45 p.m. to 9.45 p.m.

#### Daytime:

27th September—Knowledge of Movement.

4th October—Child Nurse, 1st Class Proficiency Badge.

11th October—Mapping and Compass.

18th October—First Aid (First Class).

25th October—Commonwealth Knowledge.

1st November—Home Nursing (First Class).

Place: 2nd Floor, National Fitness Training Centre, 161 Flinders Lane. Time: 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Guiders wishing to apply for specialised training may apply for the full course or particular sessions. Applications should be sent on the official nomination form and should reach the Training Secretary at Headquarters at least one week before the commencing date for each particular class. Fee for the course will be 1/- per evening.

### N.S.W. TRAINING

"Glengarry," 29th December-3rd January

Invitation has been extended to any Guider wishing to attend this Training Week. Applications should be made through Training Secretary at Headquarters, Victoria.

### SUMMER TRAINING WEEK, VICTORIA

Are you coming to Training Week this year? We guarantee a happy and informative time will be had by all.

Place: Guide House, Yarra Junction. Fee: £5/10/-, plus fares. Dates: 27th December-3rd January.

Elementary, Refresher and Advanced Training in all three branches.

### BOOKINGS FOR CAMPSITES

Guide House, Jacyallock, Wonga Park.

Janet Whitlam Memorial, Gipton.

From 14th August, bookings for the above sites can be made with Miss Gwen Thurgood at Headquarters. To save overloading of the 'phones would Guiders try to make personal application for bookings.

M. McDONALD, Camping Adviser.

**PACK HOLIDAY TRAINING****Pack Holiday Training.**

Place: "Ocean Lodge, Point Lonsdale.

Time: 4th and 5th November.

Trainer: Mrs. L. Sharp.

Applications for the above training to be sent to the Secretary to Advisers (Camping), Girl Guide Headquarters, 20 Russell Street, Melbourne, before 30th September, 1961.

M. McDONALD, Camping Adviser.

**Ocean Lodge.**

Situation, Ocean Road, Point Lonsdale. Accommodation, 19. Convener: Mrs. A. E. Sharp, Leach Avenue, Box Hill.

**CHRISTMAS CAMPS****7th-12th January:**

Campcraft Week for Guiders wishing to gain experience in order to obtain permit or licence.

**12th-17th January:**

Group camps of any of the above Guiders accompanied by 4-6 of her own Guides.

**18th-22nd January, 22nd-27th January:**

Opportunity for Guides who have not camped. Aged from 13 years and over.

Place: Guide House.

Guider-in-charge: Miss M. Binns.

Application forms on request from Secretary to Advisers, to be completed and returned by 14th October, 1961.

**ALL-AUSTRALIAN GUIDERS' CAMP**

Guiders will be interested to hear that there will be a camp for Guiders from all over Australia, to be held in New South Wales from 19th to 26th April, 1962.

Any Guiders interested please send your name and address to Secretary to Advisers, Guide Headquarters, 20 Russell Street, Melbourne, and further details will be sent to you when we receive them from Sydney.

M. McDONALD, Camping Adviser.

**"TRAMP-CAMP" — BOGONG HIGH PLAINS**

Have you made your plans for the Christmas holidays yet? If not, how about joining our "Tramp-Camp" to the Bogong High Plains? This trip will take you through some of the loveliest country in Victoria, and we can promise you a most enjoyable

and "new" holiday—refreshing days of activity, peaceful evenings sleeping under the stars, glorious scenery, the challenge of the hills, and good companionship. Will you join us?

Full details of the trip are not yet to hand, as we need to have an indication of numbers first of all, but we propose to set up a base camp, from which day walks and overnight trips can be made. Trampers will bring their own food and equipment (suggestions and helpful hints will be given later) and there will be no other charges except for fares.

Dates: 26th December to 2nd January.

All adult members of the Movement (including Rangers and Cadets) are invited to join this expedition, and we'd be glad to hear from those interested as soon as possible, so that further details can be worked out.

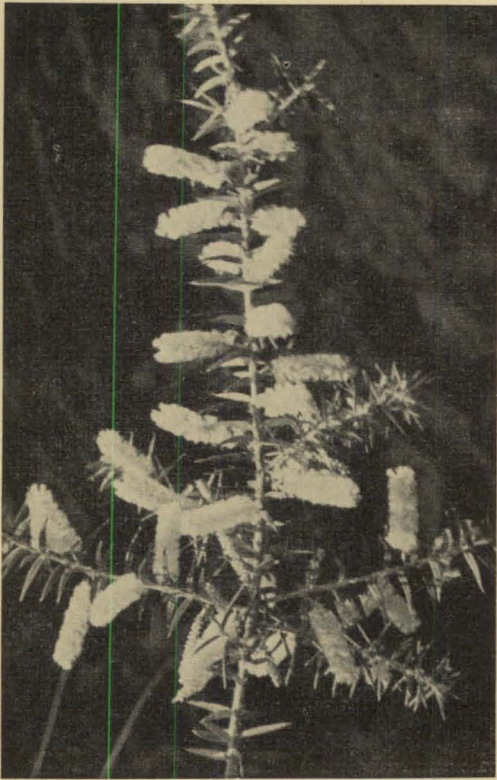
**MEMORIAL TO RUBY ROMANIS**

At the Trefoil Guild week-end at the Guide House (24th-26th February), talk turned to the destruction by fire of the lovely St. Andrew's Church, Brighton. Then we remembered how Ruby Romanis loved St. Andrew's Church. Many older members of the Movement will remember Ruby—part aboriginal girl. She joined the 1st Melbourne Rangers soon after the Company was formed. She died in November, 1959. At the Guide House the 20 or so people who had known, admired and loved Ruby over the years told stories of her courage, her humour, her kindness and of the work she was doing for her own people at the time of her death.

It was unanimously decided to send a small donation to the St. Andrew's Rebuilding Fund in memory of Ruby. In a matter of moments £5 had been handed to me. This has been sent to the Vicar as a gift in memory of Ruby Romanis.

It would be wonderful if there could be enough for a real memorial, perhaps one of the smaller windows, with an aboriginal child on it; but, if not, our £5 will at least help rebuild a few inches of the walls. Her birthday was the 27th September.

Donations could be sent to Miss A. McArthur Campbell, 41 Spring Street, Melbourne.



Spike Wattle



Spreading Wattle

—Blocks courtesy Field Naturalists' Society.

## Australian Wattles

There are over eighty species of Wattle native to Victoria. Every one is worth knowing, and they can be separated into several easily distinguishable groups.

In the feather-leaf species, i.e., those with feathery or bi-pinnate (twice divided) leaves, there are seven Wattle groups. Among them is the Silver Wattle, which loves streams and cool gullies.

The leaves of Silver Wattle are minute and downy. The down, visible with a magnifying glass, gives a silvery dustiness to the foliage, though the name may also have come from the silvery patches on the tree's otherwise dark green bark.

The trees stand twenty to forty feet in the lowlands, but in the mountain gullies they may be a hundred feet high. They are found in Victoria, New South Wales and

Queensland, and the colour of the blossom varies from clear lemon to bright gold.

Do you know some of the other species?

The Varnish Wattle, with foliage so yellow that sometimes a flowerless tree seems to be in full bloom, and with sticky leaves which stay together when pressed.

The Spike Wattle, with long, fluffy, chenille-like spikes, in full bloom in October.

The Spreading Wattle, always loose and sparse, low growing, and with clear lemon-yellow blossom.

The Sunshine Wattle, which flowers mainly in autumn, but may extend well on into winter, depending on the locality. Usually from six to twelve feet high, its flowers make its name as apt as a name could be.

The Sweet Wattle, normally in full bloom in June and July—a small, stiff shrub, with very pale flowers.

—Extracts from "The Victorian Naturalist,"  
1959 and 1960.

**OUR WEEK-END AT MANSFIELD**

The 6.45 p.m. Diesel pulled out of Spencer Street Station with a group of very excited Guides from the 1st Pascoe Vale Company, together with our Captain (Bahloo) and Lieutenant (Warranga) aboard. After sorting ourselves out, we settled down for our 135-mile trip to Mansfield.

Tired, but happy, we arrived at our destination to be met by the Mansfield Guides, their District Commissioner, Mrs. Jewell, and Captain, Mrs. Yeates.

After quick introductions, the Guides, complete with luggage, left with their respective hostesses, as a Rally had been planned for the next day, and everyone had to arise early in the morning.

Following church services on the Sunday morning, many of the Guides visited Jamieson, a township 22 miles from Mansfield. In progress there was the "Back to Jamieson" Celebrations, but the greatest attraction for the Guides was the local Rodeo.

The same evening, at the Scout Hall, two of the residents of Mansfield who had voyaged to England showed us coloured slides.

As always, time seems to fly, and Monday, our day of departure, was upon us. The Guides of the Mansfield Company arrived at the Scout Hall bright and early to prepare and cook a most delicious three-course meal.

Assembling at the station at 2.30 p.m., there were many long faces as we said our good-byes and thanked our hostesses and their families for a lovely week-end, but also with a promise from them to make a return visit to us in the near future.

Before concluding this article, the Guides of the 1st Pascoe Vale Company would like to extend their thanks and best wishes to the Guides of the Mansfield District and their families for their wonderful hospitality.

1st PASCOE VALE GUIDE COMPANY.

**ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS**

Received with gratitude:

Collingwood L.A.; Mt. Waverley L.A.; Hall's Book Store; Dingley Springvale South L.A.; Stawell L.A.; Cyclone Coy. of Australia Ltd.; Mrs. W. L. Colquhoun; Yallourn L.A.; Miss E. H. Purnell; Wangaratta L.A.; Woodend L.A.; Euroa L.A.; Malvern L.A.; Mrs. S. Barton Babbage; Horsham L.A.

**HAIL AND FAREWELL**

Two new appointments have recently been made by the Executive Committee to replace Mrs. R. C. Wallace, who will be relinquishing her position as Convener, Guide House Committee, and as Convener for Hospitality (Adults) when she leaves for an overseas trip in August.

The Association owes Mrs. Wallace a great debt of gratitude for her splendid work in both these capacities, and we know that all members of the Victorian Association will want to join with the Executive Committee in expressing sincere appreciation to her, coupled with our best wishes for an interesting and enjoyable trip.

**Convener, Guide House Committee:**

A warm welcome is extended to Mrs. W. L. Davies, who is well known as the immediate past Lone Adviser for Victoria, and who has agreed to accept the above position for one year. She has our good wishes for her new position in the Movement.

**Convener, Hospitality (Adults):**

We are pleased to advise that Mrs. F. Alston has accepted this appointment, and to her also we extend a warm welcome. Mrs. Alston has given many years of service to the Movement as Division Commissioner for Western Suburbs, a position from which she has recently retired.

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**CORRECTION.**

In July "Matilda," on page 16, column 2, there was the heading "Minimum Age for Attendance at Brownie Courses." This should read: "Minimum Age for Attendance at Brownie and Guide Courses."

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**ANNUAL MEETING—TREFOIL GUILD**

The Annual Meeting and Social Gathering of all Trefoil Guilds in Victoria will be held at Y.W.C.A. Memorial Hall, 56 Russell Street, Melbourne, on Saturday, 7th October, at 2.30 p.m.

Because of building alterations, it is not possible to hold it, as usual, at Girl Guide Headquarters.

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## GUIDING LIGHTS

(Some Lighter than Others)

### SERVICE STARS.

As there have been many questions about Service Stars, the Executive Committee has approved the following rule:—

A metal star is awarded to a Brownie, Guide or Ranger achieving 75% annual attendance. The service dates from the enrolment into the Movement and is continuous from Branch to Branch (i.e., a Guide or Ranger who has been a Brownie receives her star on the anniversary of her Brownie enrolment).

A Brownie wears one star with brown backing, showing Brownie service, on the inner corner of her left pocket flap.

A Guide wears one star with brown backing, showing Brownie service, and one with green backing showing Guide service, on the inner corner of her left pocket flap.

A Ranger wears one star, without backing, showing her total service, on her belt, on the right side of the buckle.

### THE SPIRIT OF THE THING.

The Guide recruit was doing her Tenderfoot, and told Captain the motto. "And does B.P. remind you of anything else?" asked Captain. "Yes," said the recruit, "Petrol."

This story was sent in by a country Guider who reads Guiding Lights, so we could all enjoy it too.

Wasn't that nice of her?

### HISTORY DOESN'T RELATE.

The Brownies were passing the William Tell Rest House in the Botanic Gardens, and they asked why it was called that, so Brown Owl told them the story of William Tell. "I've heard that story," said one, "but, Brown Owl, who ate the apple?"

### HEARD AT A TRAINING CLASS.

"What is the date of the last Saturday in June?" Guider, consulting calendar, "The 1st of July."

### BROWNIE PACK REGISTERS.

In future, the Guide Shop will stock loose-leaf Pack Registers, so we can keep together the pages of all our current Brownies.

Blank pages will also be available for those who like to have a list of the names of Brownies in each Six, or to keep a copy of the details shown on each Annual Report Form.

## HEADQUARTER'S JOTTINGS

Business dealt with by the Executive Committee at its Meeting on 15th June, 1961.

### GENERAL BUSINESS:

Profit from Jubilee Pageant.—Approval was given to the recommendation of the special Sub-Committee set up to consider this matter.

National Youth Council of Australia.—Consideration given to latest correspondence received. Agreed to recommend that the Association's membership of the Council be fully discussed at the Australian Council Meeting.

Moomba Celebrations.—Agreed that this matter should be further discussed by the Division Commissioners.

Headquarters Building.—Policy of payment of expenses incurred in finding alternative accommodation for classes, meetings, etc., during building alterations discussed.

Australian Council Meeting.—Items for agenda finalised.

Guide Stall.—British Commonwealth Day: Report received.

Copyright.—Guide Song: Execution of documents in connection therewith.

Service Stars.—Approval given to suggested ruling regarding wearing thereof for inclusion in Victorian Supplement.

National Safety Council of Australia.—Home Committee: Consideration given to appointment of a Guide representative to replace Mrs. R. C. Wallace.

Annual Meeting.—Reported that the Rev. Dr. Alan Watson, Moderator-General of the Presbyterian Church of Australia, had agreed to be guest speaker.

Liaison Commissioner for Catholic Members.—Reply from the Rev. Father Atkins. Consideration given to this new appointment.

Hospitality for Adults.—Report given on appointment of a successor to Mrs. R. C. Wallace.

Adviser for Handicapped Section.—Reported that Miss M. Lambe had accepted an extension of her appointment until early in 1963.

Victorian Awards Sub-Committee.—Reported that Mrs. B. Hall had agreed to be a member.



Thanks Badges.—Application from Castlemaine District considered.

**Public Relations Sub-Committee:**

Reported that Mrs. E. H. Wilson had agreed to become a member of Sub-Committee.

**International:**

Report from Sub-Committee received.

**Property Sub-Committee:**

Convener's report and recommendations covering the following districts received:—Scoresby, Walwa, Broadmeadows, Euroa, Footscray, Nullawarre, Altona, Warrnambool.

**Camping Department:**

Approval given for Interstate trip to Tasmania with Miss M. Binns in charge.

Agreed to accede to request of Boy Scouts Association that Wonga Park be closed as a campsite during the period of the Rover Moot, 26/12/61-7/1/62.

**New Commissioners and Boundaries:**

Report from Sub-Committee received and recommendations approved.

**Australian Correspondence:**

Correspondence from States and Australian Headquarters on the following matters was received and opinions given where requested:—

Training Adviser, Australia; Finance Sub-Committee; Hospitality Team—Australian Headquarters; Messages sent to South Africa; Associated Youth Enterprises; World Association Public Relations Review; International Commissioners' Meeting; State Secretaries' Conference; Australian Post Box Secretary; Migrants; National Headquarters; Commonwealth Grant.

**FOR SERVICE**

**Long-Service Award**—Congratulations to the following, who have qualified for this new Award:—Miss R. M. Abbott, Mrs. L. M. Cox, Miss W. Cozens, Miss V. Dobbie, Mrs. A. Greed, Mrs. N. M. Haddy, Mrs. M. Kirsner, Mrs. A. D. McLarty, Miss P. McLeod, Mrs. E. R. Peatling, Mrs. C. R. Pollard, Mrs. C. Osbourn Shave, Miss H. Smith, Mrs. M. Ward, Miss N. Young.

**Application forms for the Long Service Award are available upon request from Guide Headquarters.**

**Thanks Badges** have been awarded to Mrs. M. E. Breen, Mr. R. Clydesdale, Mr. H. Hall, all of Mooropna.

**1961 VICTORIAN SUPPLEMENT**  
**Change of Names, Addresses or Telephone Numbers**

Would Commissioners please send names of new Packs or Companies (formed since 31st May), with name and address of the Brown Owl or Captain, and any change of personnel or addresses and telephone numbers of Guiders of existing Packs and Companies, to Guide Headquarters by 21st August, so that these may be included in the Supplement.

Headquarters should be informed immediately of any changes occurring in late August or early September. If received in time, these can be altered in the proofs of the Supplement before it is finally printed.

BETTY M. MACARTNEY,

State Secretary.

**STAMPS!!**

The following Companies, Packs and other friends have sent in parcels or stamps:—1st Ascot Vale Coy.; 1st Bairnsdale Coy.; 2nd Canterbury Coy.; 1st Cheltenham Coy.; 5th Brighton Coy.; 1st Forest Hill Coy.; 1st Glenthompson Coy.; 1st Hazelwood Coy.; 1st Ivanhoe Coy.; 2nd Sandringham Coy.; 2nd Stawell Coy.; 1st Morwell Coy.; Boort Coy.; 1st Wantirna South Coy.; Guide Headquarters Staff; Essendon District (c/o Commissioner); Collingwood Local Association; Heidelberg and Ivanhoe L.A.; 3rd Mildura Pack; 1st Red Cliffs Pack; 1st Skipton Pack; 1st Wantirna South Pack; Mrs. Palmer and E. P. Brewster.

The most recent donation has been of £11/10/- to the Guide House Committee. Mrs. Wallace has written to say that this money will be spent on a new kitchen clock and to have some pictures framed. A previous donation to the Guide House was spent on new bedding.

As far as possible, will all donors of stamps please have them sorted and soaked off paper, as I do not have either the time or helpers to do much of this work. In this way I can get the stamps counted and sold more speedily, and the money is always needed for something. The next donation will probably buy some item of equipment for the new section of Headquarters.

Thank you all for your help.

LORNA E. CUZENS,

Hon. Organiser for Stamps.

## HOME SAFETY CONVENTION, 14th June, 1961

On 14th June, Lillian Ellis (Tawny) and I had the honour of attending the first Home Safety Convention to be held in Victoria. This Convention was sponsored by the National Safety Council of Australia, the National Council of Women of Victoria, and 41 supporting organisations, including the Girl Guides Association. Delegates attended from many parts of Victoria.

The chairman and driving force was Mrs. Whitney King. Her personality and firm belief in this cause was an inspiration.

Every speaker was an expert in his or her field. Each spoke in terms understandable to all present. A report on the Convention is to be printed, and this publication would be of interest to all Guiders.

It was illustrated that incident of disease has been reduced by education and training the public to accept immunisation. Now education in home safety must follow to prevent wastage of life and misery caused by accidents.

Our Guide training was mentioned as already contributing to education of girls in responsibility and awareness of safety rules.

Despite education campaigns, some accidents will still happen. The ultimate would be to have at least one person in each home with knowledge of First Aid. A film and address on "mouth-to-mouth resuscitation" showed that this method is so simple, yet proven so effective.

This Convention is a start. To be a success, home safety must be organised on a National, State, Municipal and Individual level. As responsible Guiders, we should take stock of ourselves; firstly, put our own homes in order, then equip ourselves with knowledge to enable us to pass it on clearly to the children with whom we come in contact, and finally to support wholeheartedly any effort made to further this challenge of safety in the home.

MARGUERITE PRITCHARD,  
Brown Owl, 5th Brighton Pack.

P.S.—We have not yet discovered who sent us an invitation to this Convention. If it was from Headquarters, we both say "thank you."—M.P.

## PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

Due to building alterations at Headquarters, it is now impossible to hold the Photographic Display in September, and the closing date for entries to the **Photographic Competition** being run in conjunction with this Display has now been **extended to 30th November**.

This competition is open to all members of the Movement and friends of the Movement under the following sections:—

Under 13—Black and White.  
Under 17—Black and White.  
Adult—Black and White.  
Coloured slides } Open to all  
and prints } age groups.

Entries may depict any phase or activity in any Section or Branch of the Movement.

Headquarters will pay for any print, negative or coloured slide retained for further use, and reserves the right to publish the photograph at any time and in any publication. When published, the photograph will be acknowledged to the photographer.

An order on Kodak valued at £3/3/- first prize, and £1/1/- second, will be awarded in each section.

When submitting your photographs, please include a stamped addressed envelope for return. Do not write your name and address on the back of your entry, but on a piece of paper glued on one edge only to your entry.

All entries are to be at Guide Headquarters by Tuesday, 30th November.

## COMMISSIONERS AND GUIDERS, Stop and Read!

To help you improve your public speaking ability, Headquarters has a tape recorder you can hire for £2 per week. Hear yourself as others hear you, and expand your word-power.

Contact Mrs. S. McKay or Miss S. Wirth at Headquarters.

## FOUND

**FOUND AT GUIDE HOUSE—A GOLD PENCILING PENCIL**, initials I.M.W. It can be claimed at the Reception Desk at Guide Headquarters.

## APPOINTMENTS

### Welcome and congratulations:

**District Commissioners**—Mrs. H. W. Speering, Dingley-Springvale South; Mrs. E. Cameron, Euroa; Mrs. L. G. Davidson, Nunawading; Mrs. W. R. Williams, Mount Waverley; Mrs. R. E. D. Hull, Beechworth; Mrs. J. Bowran, Tallangatta; Mrs. W. D. Jackson, Pyramid Hill; Mrs. V. G. Macauley, Doveton; Mrs. D. McLellan, Newborough (extension); Mrs. O. Brewster, Leongatha (extension); Mrs. P. Fox, Timboon (extension); Mrs. I. Blaby, Merbein; Mrs. H. Coate, Dandenong North.

**Division Commissioner**—Mrs. K. J. Mitchell, East Gippsland (extension).

## WARRANTS

**Captains**—Mrs. N. Marsh, 1st Kaniva; Miss J. Hohmuth, 1st Chadstone; Miss W. Goldspring, 3rd St. Kilda; Mrs. M. B. Greenbank, 1st Carngham; Mrs. E. Hassall, 2nd Clayton; Miss S. Neck, 2nd Carnegie; Miss G. Colquhoun, 3rd Hamilton; Miss J. Lawrie, 6th Ballarat; Mrs. R. Wakefield, 2nd Morweil East; Mrs. B. McIntyre, 2nd Portland; Mrs. M. Boyle, 1st Rosanna; Miss J. F. Ellis, 1st Milawa; Mrs. J. C. Matthews, 3rd Bacchus Marsh; Miss J. B. Berger, 1st Belmont; Mrs. J. Peart, 1st Clunes; Miss E. Swanson, 3rd Newport; Mrs. B. Anderson, 1st Malmsbury; Mrs. N. I. Glanville, 2nd Ararat; Mrs. T. G. Lewis, 1st Ararat.

**Lieutenants**—Miss B. McDougall, 1st Colac; Miss M. Sloan, 2nd Dandenong; Miss S. Cutts, 2nd Chadstone; Miss I. Barnard, 4th Camberwell; Mrs. A. E. Ackerly, 1st Rosebud; Miss J. Caravias, 1st Moorabbin; Miss H. Fisher, 1st Bayswater; Miss B. Beattie, 3rd Ringwood; Mrs. J. Macnee, 1st Yarram; Miss J. O'Connell, Kew Ranger Coy.; Miss B. L. Williams, 3a Geelong; Miss J. K. Robinson, 1st Dareton; Miss J. Suggett, 6th Brighton; Miss P. Ward, 4th Camberwell; Mrs. L. Cole, 1st Darlington; Miss B. Thomson, 1st Mooropna; Mrs. J. Robertson, 1st Mooropna.

**Brown Owls**—Mrs. D. Harders, 1st Byaduk; Mrs. R. Hollingshead, 1st Deer Park; Miss J. Walker, 1st Yinnar; Mrs. O. G. Richards, 2nd East Malvern; Mrs. L. Shew,

1st Ferny Creek; Mrs. N. Exell, 1st Beaufort; Miss S. Page, 2nd Williamstown; Mrs. E. M. Ride, 4th Cheltenham; Mrs. I. Loveland, 2nd Ringwood; Mrs. G. M. Frame, 1st Myrtleford; Mrs. W. Corcoran, 3rd Hamilton; Mrs. P. Brett, 3rd Surrey Hills; Mrs. M. E. Reed, 1st Koroit; Mrs. M. Washusen, 1st Drouin; Miss C. G. Monkhouse, 1st Tara-dale; Mrs. E. Douglas, 1st Wonthaggi.

**Tawny Owls**—Miss J. Rowe, 1st Glen Waverley; Mrs. A. M. Wilkinson, 3rd Ballarat; Mrs. B. F. Hogben, 2nd Swan Hill; Mrs. E. M. McLean, 1st Darlington; Mrs. A. Armit, 1st Swift's Creek; Mrs. J. Griffiths, 1st Strathmerton.

## WARRANTS RETURNED FOR CANCELLATION

**Captains**—Miss W. J. Goldspring, 1st Hawksburn; Mrs. A. M. Holliday, 1st Malmsbury; Miss I. Bryan, 1st Swan Hill; Miss S. Aldridge, 6th Bendigo; Miss A. Pagels, 1st Glenthompson; Mrs. W. Pearson, 1st Kyabram; Mrs. R. Wakefield, 1st Lindenow; Miss R. Higgins, 1st Lake Boga; Miss G. D. Balwin, 2nd Robinvale; Mrs. B. Anderson, 1st Victorian Lones; Mrs. L. Lardner, 1st Ararat.

**Lieutenants**—Mrs. J. M. Pateman, 1st Nunawading; Miss B. Telford, 1st Ellinbank; Mrs. E. Moore, 2nd Hightett; Mrs. J. Roe, 2nd Montmorency; Miss E. Swanson, 3rd Newport; Miss D. J. Harman, 1st St. Arnaud; Miss B. J. Peck, 1st Ararat.

**Brown Owls**—Miss M. Lewis, 5th Moorabbin; Miss N. E. Osborne, 1st Lake Bolac; Mrs. D. Aldridge, 1st Burwood; Mrs. O. Short, 2nd Ringwood; Mrs. A. Joyce, 1st South Oakleigh.

**Tawny Owls**—Mrs. M. Miller, 3rd Moorabbin; Mrs. N. M. Cook, 1st Katunga; Mrs. R. Hollingshead, 1st Deer Park; Mrs. G. R. Morton, 3rd Richmond; Mrs. L. Parker, 1st Ringwood; Miss J. McGahy, 1st Doncaster; Miss E. M. Cupit, 2nd Sale.

## RESIGNATIONS

### With regret:

**District Commissioners**—Mrs. J. R. Darling, Corio; Mrs. H. F. Davies, Mount Waverley; Mrs. C. J. Williams, North Kew.

## EQUIPMENT DEPARTMENT

OPEN—Week Days: 9.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.

Saturdays: 9.5 a.m. to 12 noon. Holiday week-ends excepted.

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