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Mrs. C. O. Fairbairn (centre), State Commissioner; and her Assistant State Commissioners, Mrs. S. McKay (left) and Mrs. R. G. Orr (right) — 1958-1963.

(Photo by Betty Reynolds.)



**BRAVO,  
BRAVISSIMO !**

There are 36,000 Victorian voices singing this high praise as Mrs. C. O. Fairbairn, O.B.E., steps down from the office of State Commissioner on 31st January, 1963.

It will be for a veritable lifetime of service given to the Guide Movement.

Already a Guide and Guider in England, it began for Australia about 1922 when she arrived here to stay in and love this country as her own.

She had the honour to become the first Chief Commissioner for Australia, and at the conclusion of her term of office in 1955 became the first Vice-President for the Girl Guides Association of Australia.

In 1948 in U.S.A., and again in Norway in 1952, she represented Australia at the World Conference of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts.

Besides being a member of the Australian Awards Sub-Committee, she is chairman of the Irene Fairbairn Fund—founded in appreciation of her services to Guiding in Australia—to which all States subscribe voluntarily to enable young Guiders gain wider experience.

We were tremendously proud of her when she was awarded the O.B.E. by Her Majesty

Queen Elizabeth II, and the Silver Fish—our own high Guiding Award—again for her continuous service to Guiding.

But was she a GOOD Commissioner? We'll let's see what she needs besides willingness and that sincere love of Guiding she undoubtedly has. She would need discretion and tact to be a good judge of situations and people. She must be adaptable, charming, sympathetic to others, possess a keen sense of responsibility and, most certainly, of humour.

Those of us who have been fortunate enough to hear Mrs. Fairbairn speak, and feel her deep belief in this game of Guiding (and who, indeed, has not); those who have been recipients of countless little kindnesses and considerations; who have laughed again and again at her driest of humour (often at her own expense); who have made the trip to her delightful home to see "those flowers"; who have known her charm as she hosted innumerable occasions at Headquarters; who have felt her friendly ease at Conferences and meetings — all will agree that she has each of these qualities and more, and will join together to sing 36,000 strong Bravo Bravissimo. Very well done indeed, Irene Fairbairn, Victorian Guiding thanks you very sincerely!—E.B.

**CELEBRATE**

**THE ROYAL VISIT and THINKING DAY**

at our

**LINKS of FRIENDSHIP FESTIVAL**

*Songs • Dances • Ceremonies • Fun*

**SIDNEY MYER MUSIC BOWL**

**SATURDAY, 23rd FEBRUARY, 1963**

**7.30 p.m. — 9.15 p.m.**

**EVERYONE WELCOME ! !**

## DECEMBER DIARY

**3rd December** — the last State Council Meeting for the year. I just hope everyone enjoyed it as much as I did, for I think the spirit of Christmas got well into the meeting.

**8th December.**— I was fortunate enough to have our State Commissioner Elect, Mrs. Price, her husband and their family to stay. Mrs. Price opened her first Guide Fete, which was held at Councillor and Mrs. Griff Weatherly's lovely home at Streatham. This Christmas Fete was held by the Banongill Division to raise funds. The Scouts joined in also. The general idea was that each District (Guides and Scouts) had stalls or some project (including afternoon tea, etc.), proceeds from which went into their funds.

Riding on a pennyfarthing bicycle, old bombs, ponycars, etc., Christmas decorations competition—in fact, everything. Over £300 was made, so all Districts did extremely well. I wish you could have seen Mrs. Price and me arriving in state in the old, old bomb. Unfortunately, the weekend went too quickly!

**10th December.**—Attended a meeting of the Church of England Scout and Guide Advisory Committee.

Members of the Church of England, will you please all take note (and advise all Church of England Guiders) there is to be a Special Meeting on Saturday, 16th March (possibly at 2.30 p.m., either in the Chapter House or St. Andrew's Hall, Brighton), for Church of England Guiders and Scouters.

The discussion is to be on the value of the Movement in the Church, and how one (as a Guider) presents the first Promise to Recruits and young members.

A Bishop, a Scout and a Guide Commissioner will speak, then there will be discussion groups.

**11th December.**—Somehow I managed to get into three meetings this morning—all going on at Headquarters. Also I had the privilege of giving a small lunch party for Mrs. Milagros A. Villazor, a Central Board Member of the Girl Scouts of the Philippines.

**12th December.**—A terrific day. A Tea Party given by Headquarters staff at which Mrs. McKay, Mrs. Orr and I received lovely posies and many kind words and Christmas greetings.

The next party was given by Mrs. Price and Mrs. Catamore for Mrs. McKay, Mrs.

Orr and myself, members of the Executive Committee, etc., and their husbands as a farewell Christmas party. It was a lovely party. At that party we gave Mrs. McKay a Silver Fish. It was a thrill for all of us and, of course, a complete surprise for Mrs. McKay. You have no idea what she said to us—or have you! She is always fun and says what she thinks! After the shock had worn off she was as thrilled as all of us. I had the honour of cutting a most beautiful cake made by Mrs. Gray and we all received lovely presents. It will be a precious memory.



The cake and gift given to Mrs. Fairbairn "with the thanks, deep affection and best wishes of the whole Movement." (Photo: S. McKay.)

Then I went on to Miss Lambe's Christmas party for the Extension Section. This was a grand party and quite a lot of money was raised to help funds.

**13th December.**—What a date to have a final Executive Meeting. I ask you? Strange to relate, it sailed along, as usual, quite merrily.

**17th December.**—Attended a really good Scout and Guide Christmas Party held at Skipton. It was lovely to see so many in uniform.

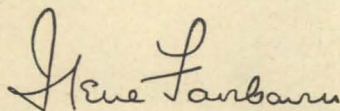
My pre-Christmas and Christmas were extra busy this year, but no doubt it was the same for many of you. We, in our local Church, had a lovely service. The young were there in force and the singing wonderful.

Now we all get organised for a New Year of hard work and much fun.

I must admit I was quite incapable of keeping up with all the wonderful messages, cards and little gifts and many other kindnesses that have made my "going out" so happy. I do want you all to know how much I appreciate everything you have done for me as well as the Movement over the last five years. You have spoilt me most terribly, and I love being spoilt (who doesn't!). To me it has been a thrilling experience, a great joy and great fun. Maybe I have managed to give a little to Guiding, but it is very small compared with what Guiding has given to me over the last forty years. It has been my life.

I hope most of you will be able to see Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth, our sister Guide, who sets the highest example of ideals and self-discipline to all of us.

May this Thinking Day be to you all a memorable one. It is now over to Joyce Price, and we are fortunate to have her. God everyone. Good Guiding.



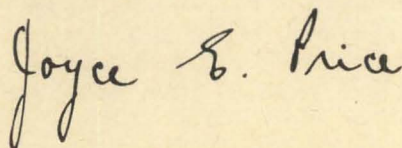
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Thank you, our beloved Rene Fairbairn, for all that you have passed on to me personally, as well as to Victorian Guiding.

Those who were privileged to listen to our State Commissioner "reflecting" at the last State Council Meeting, could hear "between the words" what an overflowing measure of inspiration, time and energy, she has given to the Movement. No wonder so many messages of love along with gratitude and good wishes were sent to her through me from every part of the State.

And now it's up to us to build worthily on the structure she and her team have passed over to us. The confidence I have in you, my team, and the promise that binds us, gives me every hope that together we shall be able to do so, and I know that we shall have great fun and satisfaction while "doing our best."

Thank you all for your kind wishes to me—every good wish to each one of you for 1963 and a good Guiding start on Thinking Day.



## TWO SILVER FISH . . .

Whoever would have thought that 36,000 people could mourn the loss of two Silver Fish?

Well, that is just what we in Victoria are doing just now for our recently retired Assistant State Commissioners, Mrs. McKay and Mrs. Orr.

We are so very proud of the fact that Mrs. McKay and Mrs. Orr have each been awarded a Silver Fish, the very highest award, for their outstanding service to the Guide Movement.

Mrs. McKay was appointed Assistant State Commissioner in 1958, and during these last five years has earned the love and respect of all.

We think, especially, of all she did for the Guide House, her untiring efforts in providing hospitality, and the many visits throughout Victoria, where everyone who met her will remember the happy, friendly approach, and that real sense of fun.

Many of us will never forget the help and kindness received in times of need.

Thank you, Mrs. McKay, for five happy years.

Mrs. Orr accepted the position of Assistant State Commissioner in 1959.

Coming back to the Movement, Mrs. Orr brought with her enthusiasm, energy and new ideas. With her, too, she brought a wealth of experience.

We remember in particular her efforts in establishing Regions so successfully in Victoria, and the many country and metropolitan visits where she won much affection and admiration.

We think of her too in her work for Plan Evergreen and also the Local Association Conferences.

Thank you, Mrs. Orr, for these happy years.

Both Mrs. McKay and Mrs. Orr have a grand sense of fun, which, together with their spiritual qualities, made them outstanding leaders, whom everyone in Victoria will long remember with gratitude and affection.

—C.C.

## SYMPATHY

Our love and deepest sympathy go out to our Chief Guide, Olave Baden-Powell, on the death of her only son, Peter, Lord Baden-Powell. Likewise, our thoughts and sympathy go to his widow, Lady Baden-Powell, and her family in their great sorrow.—I.F.

### AWARD OF SILVER FISH TO MRS. STUART MCKAY

Everyone was delighted when the Award of the Silver Fish was made to Mrs. Stuart McKay.

She has given exceptional service as a member of the State Council and Executive; as Convener for Guide House for many years; in hospitality to visitors from so many corners of the globe; and as Assistant State Commissioner.

She has been an ambassador for Guiding wherever she has gone, and her initiative, energy, understanding of the Guide spirit, and her sense of fun have been outstanding.

It seemed appropriate that the actual presentation was made at a joyous Christmas Party; but though perhaps not many were present, we know that all the Guides of Victoria join with us in saying "thank you" to Jeannette McKay for her work.

### OPEN DAY

Our building at 20 Russell Street, Melbourne, will be open on Saturday, 23rd February, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. to enable all members to see their Headquarters.

B. M. Macartney, State Secretary.

### THANK YOU

As I am still not able to do much writing, I want to thank my friends for affectionate messages sent me in various heartwarming ways.

Thank you, everybody, for your thoughts, for which I send you my affectionate and sincere appreciation.

Frieda V. Barfus.

## WESAK FESTIVAL

Wesak is celebrated by all Buddhists on the full moon day of the second lunar month in honour of Lord Buddha.

Its significance is threefold, signifying the birth of Prince Siddhartha at the Lumbini Garden, the enlightenment or attainment of Buddhahood under the Bodhi Tree, and the parinibhana or death of Lord Buddha. It was on Wesak full moon days that these events took place, and therefore this day is of great importance to all Buddhists.

Lord Buddha was himself a great Scout, for his teachings embody the Scout and Guide Law. The laws set by Lord Baden-Powell embody in a modified form the Dasa Paramis or the Ten Perfections in Buddhism.

The Ten Paramis are essential qualities to qualify for Buddhahood. Dana (charitable giving), Sila (virtue), Nekkhamma (renunciation), Panna (wisdom), Viriya (energy, courage), Khanti (forbearance, patience), Saccha (truthfulness), Aditthana (resolute determination), Metta (loving kindness) and Upekkha (equanimity). We can see their similarities to the ten Guide Laws.

Wesak brings peace, goodwill and happiness which must be observed by all Buddhists, not only on this day, but throughout their lives. Without peace there can be no happiness, both are important, because one without the other leads to a state of unbalance.

(From "The Trainee," Ceylon.)

### CHIEF COMMISSIONER FOR AUSTRALIA

Guides of Victoria welcome Mrs. M. A. Buntine, M.B.E., who has taken over as Chief Commissioner for Australia.

Mrs. Buntine has been active in Guiding in both Western Australia and Victoria, and we look forward together to her five year term of office.

One of her first official duties was to attend a Training Conference for National Guide Leaders of the Asian area, held in Malaya, as the Australian representative.

## "COME, LET US WELCOME THE SABBATH"

"Come, let us welcome the \*Sabbath" — these are the opening words of the Service conducted on any Friday night in the Liberal \*Synagogue. To this service on 3rd November, 1962, came over 100 Jewish Brownies, Guides and Guiders, and another 100 Jewish Cubs and Scouts. They had come not only from Jewish Packs and Companies, but from open Companies all over the State. To this service also came about 40 Commissioners and Guiders of other religions.

A feature of this service was the manner in which it was planned for the children to take an active part. Three Guides from the Temple Beth Israel Religious School said the Blessing over the Lights, saying these words:—

"Come, let us welcome the \*Sabbath. May its radiance illumine our hearts as we kindle these tapers. Light is the symbol of the divine . . ."

This blessing is also said in the home by the wife and mother as she lights the candles on her dinner table each Friday evening at sundown. During the service a Guide and a Scout, Brownie and Cub renew their promises before the congregation. Toward the close of the service a Scout raises the \*Kiddush Cup and says:—

"Praised be Thou, O Lord our God, King of the universe, Who hast created the fruit of the vine," This blessing of the wine is also said in the home, usually by the husband and father of the house. Thus the service is linked always with the life of the home. For \*Judaism is very much a religion to be lived, a religion of the home.

At the conclusion of the service refreshments were offered in the \*Temple Hall in keeping with custom on special occasions. Then \*Rabbi John Levi gathered the interested adult visitors, took them back into the Synagogue. There he explained the symbols and meaning of the service; showed them the \*Ark, the Scrolls and religious ornaments; then encouraged questions. This provided an unusual and informative experience for the many whose first attendance it was at a Jewish service.

It is hoped that each year such a service will be held, enabling all Jewish Guides to meet and worship together, and at the same time giving opportunity for others to join us and learn how closely linked are the religions of the world.

### Notes:—

- \*Synagogue or Temple—Jewish place of worship and meeting.
- \*Rabbi—Senior Minister of religion.
- \*Ark—Receptacle for the Sacred Scrolls.
- \*Scrolls—The Five Books of Moses, known as the Torah, made of parchment and handwritten in Hebrew.
- \*Kiddush—Prayer of Sanctification.
- \*Kiddush Cup—Container of wine for above.
- \*Sabbath—Hebrew word meaning 7th day of the week.
- \*Judaism—Religion of the Jews.

N. B. Kirsner,

Liaison Commissioner for Jewish Members.

### A COMMON THOUGHT

Buddhism: "Hurt not others with that which pains yourself."—Udanavarga 5, 18.

Christianity: "All things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them, for this is the law and the prophets."—Bible, St. Matthew 7: 12.

Confucianism: "Do not unto others what you would not they should do unto you."  
—Analects 15, 23.

Judaism: "What is hurtful to yourself do not to your fellow man. That is the whole of the Torah and the remainder is but commentary."—Talmud.

Hinduism: "This is the sum of duty: do naught to others which, if done to thee, would cause thee pain."  
—Mahabharata 5, 1517.

Islam: "No one of you is a believer until he loves for his brother what he loves for himself."—Traditions.

### DID YOU KNOW !

That the 22nd February, birthday of Lord Baden-Powell, founder of Guiding and Scouting, and of Lady Baden-Powell, World Chief Guide, is also the birthday of George Washington, father of his country and first President of America.

## BRIGHT MAGIC

By Joyce Hartnell, Music Adviser for Canada

When you come to think about it, a circle of singers with a fire in the middle and stars overhead is magic, isn't it? It is an atmosphere compounded of colour, sound and the perfume of wood smoke. Here, fire is no mere coming together of wood, heat and air, but a giver of gifts to those around it. No wonder man in his early days worshipped its mysterious power.

I believe that we, in our atavistic inner selves, still do. Have you ever used a fire as the centre of a ceremonial occasion? It can be done. Here are some suggestions which you might like to use as a starting point for your own ideas. A solemn occasion, of course, needs preparation. So be ready to spend some time in practice beforehand.

The programme outlined here is for a Guides' Own out-of-doors on a summer evening, but you will see that it could be adapted to any other occasion.

The principle of this programme is the use of groups speaking together (the chorus), singing together (the choir), and the Leader and others speaking alone, all combined with suitable movements. A tom-tom is suggested as the only musical instrument, but if you have others available, they would fit in very well. The solo speakers are the three Fire Lighters, the Fire, the Earth and the Leader. The Trees should be several voices.

**Scene:** A campfire partly built, but not lit. There is spare wood nearby. One Guide (or Ranger) enters and sits near the fire, beating the tom-tom very softly in a running rhythm. The Guides and Guiders enter quietly and quickly, taking their places in a single circle round the fire. If it is in the open air, at night, flashlights will be needed until the fire is lit. When all are seated, the tom-tom stops.

**FIRST FIRE LIGHTER** (coming forward, kneeling on one knee and gesturing wildly): Fire, hear me. I need your flame to light my fire.

**FIRE** (a voice from the other side of the circle, or offstage, if preferred): I hear you . . . my flame is ready.

**SECOND FIRE LIGHTER** (standing and gesturing upward): Trees, hear me. I need your driest branches to feed my fire.

**TREES** (far side of circle, or offstage): We hear you. Our driest branches are ready.

**THIRD FIRE LIGHTER** (bending down): Earth, hear me. I need your broad back to hold up the fire.

**EARTH** (far side of circle, or offstage): I hear you. My back is ready.

**CHORUS:** Darkness, lift your cloak. Clouds, drift away. Wind, blow softly.

**LEADER:** Now we are ready. (The FIRE LIGHTERS light the fire and bring on wood.)

**CHORUS** (loudly): A salute to the fire!

**CHOIR** (4 voices only) sing: 'Fire Burning.'

All join in 'Due fagot jaillit la flamme' or any other suitable song or round.

**LEADER:** A salute to the trees who gave us their branches!

**CHOIR** sing 'The Tree Song' (Girl Scout Song Book, p. 61) or any other song about trees.

**LEADER:** A salute to the earth that grew the trees that fed the fire.

**CHORUS:** The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof; the bounty of the seasons is given to us and the earth's eternal beauty. We walk upon the sand, the rock, the grass and the ploughed land, and call them ours. (Tom-tom begins softly.)

Choir sings 'Land of the Silver Birch,' ALL joining in the chorus. Tom-tom continues throughout the song.

**LEADER** tells a story or reads from the Bible. (During the story the fire is allowed to die down to embers.)

ALL stand as **CHOIR** begins to hum 'While the Shadows' or another evensong very softly.

**CHORUS** (speaking over the choir's humming): Thank you, fire, for your spark. Thank you, trees, for your branches. Thank you, earth, for your broad back.

**LEADER:** Darkness, drop your cloak. The fire is low.

**CHORUS:** The fire is low. (Softly, as all go back into the shadows): Goodnight, goodnight. (Tom-tom softly beats 'goodnight' rhythm until everyone has left.)

(Reprinted from "The Canadian Guider")

## DID YOU WONDER . . . ?

Why there were areas on the map in the Victorian supplement which were not marked off into Divisions?

I did too — and the answer I got to my query was that the eastern "space" is very mountainous country with townships few and far between; the western "space" is a very dry area with tiny, scattered communities.

In the circumstances Divisions have not yet been organised in these areas.

## THINKING DAY 22nd February, 1963

When THINKING DAY comes around many things are in our minds. "Who will we have for a guest speaker at our gathering?" "What kind of ceremony will we have this year?" and so on.

I have been to many Thinking Day Services, and joined with Brownies for the lovely ceremonies. Some very simple and some rather elaborate—but all telling the story of THINKING DAY in their own way.

At one Brownie Gathering, the Brown Owl had put the branch of a tree in a large container, and then the Brownies started to put apples on it. Each branch represented a country in the World Association, and the apples were pennies and small silver wrapped up in red paper into balls like apples, then tied on to the tree. One little Brownie came up and said, "Wouldn't it be lovely if money really did grow on this tree?"

It would be wonderful for the World Bureau if money did really grow on a THINKING DAY TREE. There is so much to do with the money that is collected from all over the world. Our World Organisation is growing just as quickly as our own here in the small State of Victoria, and so that we can keep up with training, etc., we must have funds.

To show you what I mean I am giving you extracts from Dame Leslie Whateley's THINKING DAY letter. To print all of its contents would mean almost taking over the whole of "Matilda," but I am sure you will all be interested in the following information.

### Some Ways in Which Thinking Day Contributions were Spent in 1961 and 1962:

1. Visits to assess countries applying for full and Tenderfoot membership of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts:—

To the end of August, 1962, the countries visited have included Cote d'Ivoire, Dahomey, Israel, Liberia, Malaya, Peru, Thailand, Togo. Every effort is made to keep the cost to a minimum, but the countries under this heading represent a large sum from the Thinking Day money.

2. Countries visited by World Association Representatives - Trainers - Travelling Commissioners included: Austria, Bolivia,

Ceylon, Chile, Colombia, Congo, Ecuador, Haiti, Iran, Nepal, Panama, Paraguay, Philippines, Portugal, Taiwan, Turkey, Venezuela.

3. Director's Visits: Among countries visited by the Director of the World Bureau in 1961 and 1962 were — Belgium (to attend Meeting of the International Fellowship of Former Scouts and Guides); Denmark (in connection with 18th World Conference); Germany (European gathering); Ghana; Greece (to work with chairman, World Committee); Iceland; Liberia; Senegal; Suomi-Finland (to work with Commissioner for Tenderfoot Membership); Switzerland (International Commissioners' Meeting); Uganda (All-Africa Conference).

### Some Projects for which Thinking Day Funds are required from September, 1962, to 1964:

1. World Association Representatives to countries to assess readiness for membership, or upgrading to full membership: At the time of writing the following countries will be visited — Argentina, Central African Republic, Congo, Jamaica, Korea, Tanganyika, Trinidad, Uganda.
2. Some countries to which World Association Representatives/Trainers will go from September, 1962, through 1963: Afghanistan, Cameroons, Chile, Ghana, Israel, Jordan, Laos, Nepal, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Sudan, Turkey, Uruguay, Vietnam.
3. World Association Trainings/Conferences:—
  - (a) Village Service Programme for Senior Scouts and Young Leaders at Our Cabana, Mexico.
  - (b) Conference for Commissioners and National Committee Members, Brazil.
  - (c) Leaders' Adventure Session, Our Cabana, Mexico.
  - (d) Training Conference for National Committee Members and Commissioners, Malaya.
  - (e) Training Course for Trainers, Puerto Rico.
  - (f) Adult Adventure Session, Our Cabana, Mexico.
  - (g) World Association Course for National/Chief Commissioners and members of National Councils, Denmark.
  - (h) 18th World Conference and Quo Vadis, Denmark—June, 1963.



- (i) Leaders' Adventure Session, Our Cabana, Mexico.
  - (j) Regional Training Conference for National Leaders, West Africa-Nigeria.
  - (k) East/West Conference, India.
  - (l) World Association Course for Trainers.
4. Public Relations:—The World Association has agreed to supply an exhibit depicting work with and by Handicapped Guides/Girl Scouts at the 9th World Congress of the International Society for Rehabilitation of the Disabled to be held in Denmark in June, 1963.

### FREEDOM FROM HUNGER CAMPAIGN

In all campaigns one reads of figures, and usually they go in to our brains, then vanish. This time I am sure the statistics quoted will be startling, and will remain at the back of the mind.

Before the end of this century—less than 40 years from now—there will be at least twice as many people in the world to feed as at the present. But, at the moment, **ONLY ONE PERSON IN THREE IS PROPERLY FED.**

If there is insufficient food to go around today, what is to be the fate of you and your family in this potentially explosive situation when the world's population will have more than doubled by the end of this century? For, by then there will be more than 6,000 million mouths to be fed.

At present there is a very serious lack of balance in the supply of food for the world's population. A small number of countries—including Australia—have more than enough food for their needs. But a vast majority, especially those in less developed areas, have inadequate supplies, both as to quantity and quality.

In other words, at the present time a large proportion of the human race either goes hungry constantly or suffers from permanent malnutrition.

Grim as this prospect is at the moment, it is being rapidly aggravated by the huge increase in population which is occurring in those same poorly fed areas of the world.

Statistics have been compiled by the United Nations experts. Their study shows that in 1900 the world's population stood at

1,500 million. By 1950 it had reached 2,500 million, despite two life-wasting world wars, and by 1961 had passed 3,000 million.

Even allowing for a tapering off in the population curve during the 1970s, the U.N. experts expect the figure to reach 6,000 million by the year 2000.

And what is more significant from Australia's point of view—more than half of the 6,000 million inhabitants of the world in the year 2000 will be living in Asia.

The Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organisation (Dr. B. R. Sen) has written, "No man, the poet long ago said, is an island entirely to himself. Nor, he could have added, were he living today, is any nation an island to itself. Mountains, deserts, seas, no longer stand between countries and the benefits—or perils—of progress in the world at large. This one-world reality has become institutionalised in many forms. The United Nations is the most renowned of these. The most revolutionary, I like to believe, is, or will be, the Freedom From Hunger Campaign.

The Freedom From Hunger Campaign is a number of things. At first it was an idea, an ideal, that one man's hunger was every man's hunger, and that one man's freedom from hunger could be expanded to become every man's freedom from hunger. Then, since its launching almost two years ago, it has taken on an actual institutional form; a number of countries have set up thorough-going working campaign committees that are planning some very positive and concrete action. Still further, the Campaign is a great educative, enlightening and unifying force. And this, I believe, will be its most revolutionary and creative aspect."

The aim of the Freedom From Hunger Campaign is to help countries to grow sufficient and better foods; to educate the people to look after themselves; to bring more land into production; to overcome unhygienic conditions, poor gear and tools and bad seed, and thus improve health and living standards; to assist under-developed countries to become self-sufficient.

The Governor of Victoria, Sir Dallas Brooks, who is the Patron of the Victorian Campaign, said in a message to the inaugural meeting: "We are, as people, only too well aware of the needs of the teeming millions in

the countries which lie to our north, and I am certain that our good and generous people will follow the lead given to them, and endeavour to help in making this great humanitarian campaign as successful as it deserves to be."

I have heard of many interesting ways in which people are making money for this Campaign. Our own Guide Headquarters staff Christmas Party this year was planned to be not quite as elaborate as of other years. The gifts normally exchanged weren't quite the same. The fun that was had was even more so, because of the wonderful warm feeling of doing something that would be of benefit to somebody else. The result was that £10 found its way to our fund for the Freedom From Hunger Campaign. Brownies are having special concerts and functions to raise money, making them feel part of this wonderful plan.

Money raised by the members of the Girl Guides, Brownies and Senior Branch members of our Association is to be forwarded to Headquarters, marked "FREEDOM FROM HUNGER CAMPAIGN."

Let us get cracking in 1963. Thank you.

Betty Pearson,  
State International Representative.



**A group of four races (African, Arab, Asian and European) and four Territories (Kenya, Uganda, Tanganyika and Zanzibar) at a Camp held in the grounds of Government House, Nairobi.**

(By courtesy of British Information Office.)

## HOW HARD CAN YOU THINK?

You know those games where you have to think, on the spur of the moment, of a word beginning with a given letter of the alphabet? You've probably noticed how some people dither, and can't respond — their minds have gone quite blank! Don't let this happen to YOU on Thinking Day!

Might the ceremonial moment in your Company be spoilt when the members are asked to "think of Guides"? Are your Guides really prepared in advance for this moment?

Thinking deliberately needs practice — so some of it should start before 22nd February.

The Court of Honour will be able and eager, surely, to evolve their own plans to help their Patrols in their choice of "targets" for their thinking. Operation Link-up will have enlarged their circle of friendships, and Guiders who read the "Council Fire" will find a number of leads, especially in the last issue. If all else fails you can hand the Leaders copies of one of the leaflets or books that give up-to-date lists of member-countries of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts. One would like to think the Guides would make a point of finding out something interesting about each chosen country's Guides — they're not just thinking of a place in a list, but of flesh and blood girls like themselves, who gave the same Promise and have the same sort of fun.

The implications of this two-way current of love and goodwill emanating from thousands of Guides in so many countries are truly tremendous, and it is really important that Guiders should prepare their Guides to take their part in all sincerity of purpose. Now — on with the Thinking Caps!

F. V. Barfus.

## NOTHING'S NEW!

When I think back some thirty years,  
As Guides we'd go out hiking.  
Our piece of steak was wrapped in "foil"  
To cook just to our liking.  
Our "foil" was silver paper saved,  
And even though 'twas wavy,  
It covered meat, and greaseproof layer,  
And still kept in our gravy!  
Folks laughed at us; but never mind,  
I smile now as I state:  
What I have done for forty years  
Is still—bang up to date!

(By courtesy "English Woman" magazine)

## A STORY OF THE PHILIPPINES

A wonderful woman in the Philippines called Josefa Escoda was very interested in Girl Scouting and twice went overseas to study social work and Scouting and Guiding. It was due to her efforts and determination that Scouting was introduced in the Philippines in 1940. She was a wonderful person and also a beautiful one. But war stopped her work. She and her husband were confined to Fort Santiago and she died in 1945. The Philippine way of expressing her death was to say she had joined "the caravan of the great." However, the Philippine Girl Scouts are now a very active body.

The Asian Foundation Fund, sponsored by an American Philanthropic Society, sends Guiders to Australia, New Zealand and England each year on a five-year Guiding Plan and Guides here have been very happy to be able to meet these visitors from the Philippine Islands. We met two whose names were Edith and Encar. They were both charming and taught us Philippine songs.

Edith and Encar were in charge of many Brownies and Guides, and altogether there are 120,000 in uniform in 54 Divisions—or Provinces as they are called there. The Guiders showed us beautiful dresses, handkerchiefs, and scarves, and I am sure you will love to hear all about them because all Brownies love hearing about pretty things. I only wish I could show them to you.

The handkerchiefs were very colourful and had emblems of their native flower, the Sanfargeta, others had their native bird, the Maya, which is like a sparrow. On others was a Caribou which is a native animal like a buffalo.

Encar and Edith sometimes changed into tartan skirts in red, gold, black and white, and beautiful blouses (they called them kimonas)—one was of delicate white lace which they make from pineapple fibre; the other was cream and beautifully embroidered.

Edith and Encar danced for us, and they were so tiny and graceful — their twinkling feet — one pair in red sequinned sandals studded with pearls in the shape of flowers, the other pair wearing pink sandals made out of fibre with soles made from rope,

beautifully made and finished. Edith also wore a black velvet cape stole, studded with diamante with black fringe on the ends. Around their necks they wore gold chains and a beautifully shaped pendant, made from a pearl shell. A costume which they wore on very important occasions was a beautifully made pink taffeta tunic evening frock—the tunic being embroidered with blue and white flowers, the sleeves very full and belled, made of stiffened net. Their scarves were a lovely shade of green, made of stiffened net and embroidered in black and white with their national flower. These scarves are shaped something like your Brownie tie, only bigger.

Edith told us they speak 87 different languages in the Philippines, but English is their second language — Spanish is their first. They have beautiful flowers in the islands — hydrangeas which they call "meny flores," which means many flowers, bouganvillea which grow profusely in every glorious shade — we only have purple here in Australia; also the lovely hibiscus and bush roses.

They grow all kinds of vegetables and a lot of their women work in the fields.

In 1954 they had their first Brownie Pack Holiday, and you can just imagine the happy Brownies. In 1955 they had their first National Singing Camp and now they are going ahead in leaps and bounds.

The Philippine Flag is dark blue in one half, and red in the other, with an irregular stripe of white. When they are at peace the blue is flown on top, but when they are at war the red is flown on top. The Scouts want to fly their flag with blue always on top and be at peace with the world.

(From a Yarram Brown Owl.)

## JOTTINGS FROM SOUTH AUSTRALIA

It was nice to be made welcome recently in Adelaide, and it was appreciated that, even for such a brief visit, the welcome was so warm.

We were able to visit Headquarters, of course; the L.A. Annual Meeting at Glenelg; and the 1st North Adelaide Pack Holiday at Paxlease. At the Pack Holiday I became a Whipbird in Wonderland—an attractive spot named by the Brownies, and a happy memory for me.

## COUNTRY GUIDER HONOURED

The decision of the State Executive Committee of the Girl Guides Association to make the Oak Leaf Award to Miss Nicoll, Captain of the 1st Rochester Girl Guide Company, conferred a high honour on the Guide Movement in Rochester and the recipient in particular. Included in the large gathering at the Rochester Guide Hall, when the presentation took place, were representatives of the Rochester Shire Council, Echuca and Bendigo Divisions of Guides, Scouts, Guides and Brownies of the District, as well as members of Miss Nicholl's family from Kerang and Katunga.

Mrs. Holmes, District Commissioner for Rochester, read the citation, and Mrs. Humphrys, Commissioner for the Echuca Division, made the presentation. Numerous congratulatory messages were received and conveyed to Miss Nicoll, including a letter of congratulations from Mrs. Fairbairn, State Commissioner of Girl Guides. Miss Nicoll was also the recipient of a congratulatory letter under the seal of the Rochester Shire from Cr. G. B. Haines, President.

Tribute to Miss Nicholl's service was also paid by Mrs. Baker, Division Commissioner for Bendigo; Mr. T. Parsons, District Scouts; Mrs. R. Gemmill, Rochester Parents; and Miss M. Waters, Brownies.

## A CLOSING USED FOR AN INTERNATIONAL CAMPFIRE

"May we, who have lived and worked together here in unity of purpose, go forth with strength and courage and wisdom, to live and work for peace throughout the world; be prepared to take all that life has to offer, good or ill, and profit by the experience; be prepared to face the future unafraid because we have the secret of happiness in our possession — the world's oldest and newest weapon — love.

Here we have many different races and nationalities and religions. These differences seem minor to us as we become acutely aware of shared ideals, a shared purpose and shared love of Guiding and Scouting. So, though we all love our homeland best, we know that we have room in our hearts for friends."

(By courtesy of "The Canadian Guider")

## DANDENONG DRESSES UP

The enthusiasm of the Brownies of Dandenong when we suggested having a Fancy Dress Party far exceeded our expectations.

They waited eagerly for the day, and could talk of nothing else in Pow-Wow.

On the day, the Brownie leaders spent the day decorating the hall, and at 7.30 p.m. the excited Brownies, and parents, arrived.

Inside the door we had a miniature canoe for donations to the New Guinea Canoe Fund.

Many games were played and enjoyed, and later our District Commissioner, Regional Chairman and the Commissioner for Doveton had a difficult task choosing the winners.

The winners received book prizes, and a Brownie from each Pack presented the judges with sprays.

An amount of £10/12/- was raised for the canoe, and everyone agreed that it was a very enjoyable night.

P.Ls. Bunyarra and Sunbeam.

## BROWNIE VISIT

Brownies from 1st Yarrunga Pack had a wonderful trip one Sunday to the Old Peoples' Home at Beechworth.

The day was very warm and sunny, and wildflowers were out everywhere. Beechworth is a very pretty place, situated on a hill, and the home has a wonderful setting with lovely trees and flowers in spacious grounds. We were made very welcome by the staff and the ladies of the Old Peoples' Committee from Wangaratta.

For weeks past the Brownies had been knitting rug squares and caps for the men, and what a thrill they got when they presented them to Matron, together with a lovely bunch of flowers one Brownie had thoughtfully picked from her garden.

At the concert later the Brownies sang, some played recorders and a chanter, and Tawny recited. Afterwards, we all joined in community singing.

The staff had cakes and lemonade ready for the Brownies, who then explored the home and spoke to most of the patients—the old and the very young get along well together.

We thanked Matron for a wonderful day and promised to visit them again soon. It was a most rewarding day for us all.

Meryl Marklew, Brown Owl.



20/12/62.

Country Roads Board,  
Kew, E.4.

The Country Roads Board has assured the Association of its support for "Plan Evergreen," which it considers to be of particular value in encouraging a sense of responsibility and public spirit in those who will, in a few years time, be parents themselves, and possibly leading citizens.



### PLAN EVERGREEN GUIDE AND BROWNIE BADGE

This Badge may be earned by any enrolled Guide or Brownie, not necessarily Second Class. A woven badge will be available, and will be worn above the cuff on the right sleeve, until the girl leaves the Branch in which she gained it.

#### Evergreen Badge, Guide:

Any enrolled Guide may take this badge. To be tested by Captain, or person delegated by her—

1. Plant and establish a roadside or street tree. (Approval of appropriate authority to be obtained.) **Or** (where this is impossible) plant and care for windowbox or pot-plants in front of her house for at least three months.
2. Recognise three different roadside or street trees which grow in her area. Know whether they are native or introduced varieties.
3. Recognise six local weeds and have assisted in roadside weeding project, or have weeded regularly round street trees near her home.
4. Make leaves, flowers, seeds collection of two native and two introduced trees.

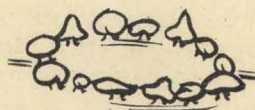
5. See that there is a litterbag in the family car, and that it is used, and persuade two other families to do the same. (Three other families if her family does not have a car.)
6. Be able to say that she **never** drops tram tickets, sweet papers, fruit peelings, etc., in the wrong place.
7. Display an Evergreen sticker in a prominent place, such as the family car, house window, bicycle, etc.

#### Evergreen Badge, Brownie:

Any enrolled Brownie may take this badge. To be tested by Brown Owl or person delegated by her—

1. Plant a roadside or street tree (approval of appropriate authority to be obtained); **or** (where this is impossible) plant and care for pot-plants or shrub or tree in front of her house.
2. Recognise two different roadside or street or park trees which grow in her area. Know whether they are native or introduced varieties.
3. Raise a tree seedling from seed to secondary leaf stage.
4. See that there is a litterbag in the family car, and that it is used. If there is no family car, produce a statement signed by an adult, that Brownie has on three occasions seen that the picnic spot has been left tidy.
5. Be able to say that she never drops icy pole wrappings and sticks, bottle tops, fruit peelings, etc., in the wrong place.
6. Display an Evergreen sticker in a prominent place — family car, house window, bicycle.

It is recommended that the Brownie wears this badge until she leaves Brownies.

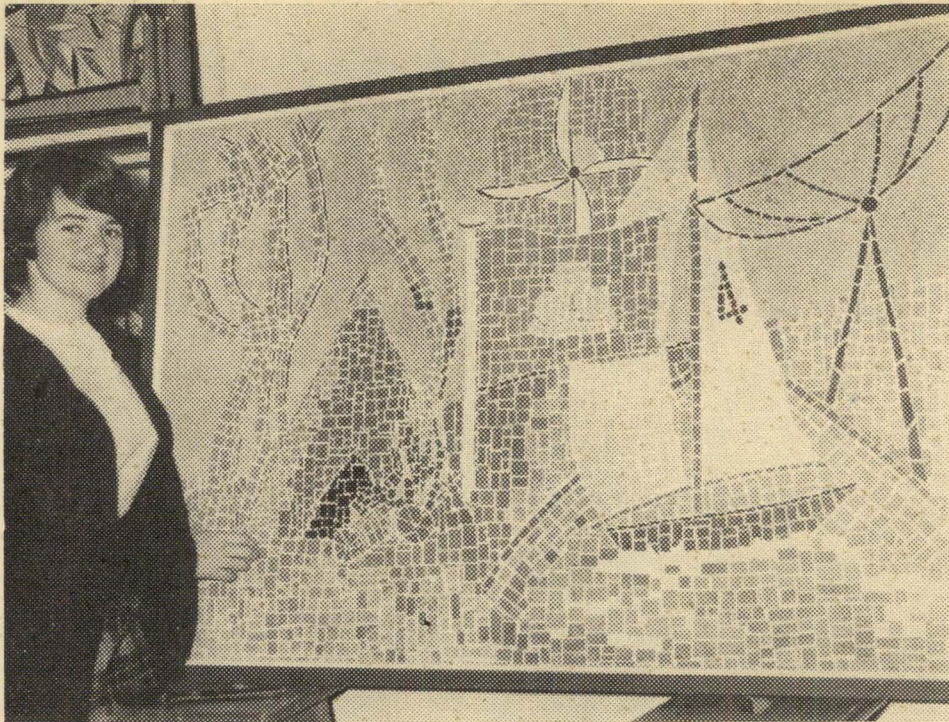


### EVERGREEN RHYMES FOR BROWNIES

Do not let the birds and rabbits  
Criticise our careless habits!



Where we have been no one can find  
For never a trace do we leave behind.  
Only the mortals we've helped today.  
Know that a Brownie has passed this way.



(Block by courtesy of the "Ballarat Courier")

### GUIDE MURAL

Seventy hours of work has gone into the making of a special mural for the new hut, Karingal, at the Lingbogol Guide Campsite.

Made from chips of linoleum, it represents three Branches of the Senior Section — Land, Sea and Air Rangers.

The mural, the work of Guider Sandra Devenson (who is also the compere of the Ballarat TV station's Guide Programme), is five feet long and three feet six inches high.

### SORRENTO GUIDES

Sorrento Guides suffered great loss in the death of their Captain, Mrs. L. Duke. Mrs. Duke came into the Movement when the Company was in dire need of leaders; her personality and her work with the Guides was always touched with the true spirit of courtesy. It is a sad loss to us all.

I TOMLINSON,

Lieutenant, Sorrento Guide Company.

Among its 24 members, 1st Port Fairy Company has FOUR sisters — the eldest has recently had her 15th birthday, and the youngest has just completed Tenderfoot Test.

### GUIDE IMPRESSIONS

"Life is gay, we're on our way  
Along the road, and across the grassy hills—  
Chatting and laughing, with spring in our  
step,  
Smiling and happy, and full of pep."

M.D.S.

"At break of Camp we all felt sad  
When the flag was flying no more.  
We hope we now have learnt — and well —  
The true meaning of the Fourth Guide  
Law."

—KOOYA.

Recently a former Guide, her husband (an ex-Queen's Scout), and their Guide, Brownie and Cub, set out into the bush to gather wood. Before leaving home they decided to take the necessary ingredients to have afternoon tea out of doors.

Came tea time — a real Guide fire was built and lit — a gadget was erected for the billy; from the car came the bread for toast, tea, sugar, milk and water — but, no billy!

Information on how to improvise a billy would be greatly appreciated — the water was in a plastic bottle!

—N.Y.



## Leadership

(Notes of a talk given by Mrs. C. Osborn Shave at the 1962 Commissioners' Conference.)

Our theme for the 1962 Commissioners' Conference was "Youth in Orbit and You."

In recent times we have read and heard a great deal about satellites and astronauts orbiting the earth. In every instance something has been achieved — something learned — something of importance recorded. That is all very praiseworthy and progressive.

When I looked up the dictionary for the word "orbit," I found it said "a sphere in action." We, as Commissioners, know only too well the meaning of "orbit" — "a sphere in action" — going round in circles! To bring ourselves back to earth we must use instruments, the instruments being a thorough knowledge of youth and Guiding in general.

If youth is to orbit successfully, we must see that they are orbiting with a purpose, that they are properly equipped with instruments — with knowledge — so that they do not do any aimless orbiting, burning themselves up and achieving nothing. We, as Leaders, must see that we are tuned in to "Youth in Orbit" and maintain contact with them.

How can we keep in touch with them? How can we make ourselves better Leaders? Firstly, what is Leadership? What are the qualities of a Leader?

Qualities essential in any walk of life where Leadership is required are tenacity of purpose; steadfastness; tact; personality; persuasiveness; belief in the aim and objectives; loyalty.

True and practiced loyalty to God is necessary to every balanced life, and loyalty to God is a foundation stone of Guiding — and this is the loyalty we must have to back our leadership.

Have you ever stopped to think if you yourself have the qualities of a Leader? How can we improve ourselves? What, in your mind, does "leader" mean? Let's think about it.

In Guiding, as elsewhere, the sheer naked ability to lead does not necessarily make the right kind of Leader. Adolph Hitler was an immensely able leader — so was Winston Churchill; BUT, the distinction lies in the quality of the objective that each had in mind. All leadership that has been great and good, rather than mad and bad, has been powered by a vision, inspired by an ideal and possessed by faith. This kind of leadership can come only from an enthusiasm that is believed in — felt — and practised.

We have this ideal — an ideal given to us 50 years ago by our late Chief, Lord Robert Baden Powell, when he gave us the foundation which we build on today: A leadership built on our Law and Promise: A sure foundation of strength. If we think of Guiding as a high, sometimes hard but worthwhile adventure, then we are doing something towards the better Guiding we all strive for.

We must have understanding; and, by understanding, I mean the ability of Commissioners to be able to recognise the different natures and distinct personalities of each and every Guider they work with. Know your Guiders and their individual CAPACITY for absorbing Guide knowledge.

(To be continued.)

## TREES — AND GUIDES GUARDING OUR HERITAGE

By L. C. Edgar, Assistant Director, Natural Resources Conservation League of Victoria.

To almost everyone—in Victoria, at least—trees are things with which we grow up, and as with so many other gifts which nature bestows upon us, we are rather apt to take them for granted. As we grow we make use of them; we play beneath them, climb them, and sometimes thoughtlessly damage them. Later on, to some at least, there comes an awareness of their beauty and we have a desire to plant those kinds which appeal to us.

In this series of short articles I hope to display the vital role which trees play in this world of ours to arouse in as many as possible of my readers a love of trees and an understanding of the need for preservation in some places, for replanting in others, and also an appreciation of the factors which sometimes require the removal of trees. An informed public opinion could prevent much heart-burning when trees have reached the end of their useful life.

When we take things — or people — for granted, nothing jolts us more quickly to an acknowledgement of their value to us than their sudden removal. Such a jolt spurred the Victorian public to loud protestation in 1939 when the tragic loss in human life and in timber preserves from the disastrous fires of that year became known. Fully backed by public opinion, the Government of the day took steps to prevent, if possible, further loss of human life and property as well as of the shielding forest which protects the vital soil of the catchment areas, where the heavy rains fall and the snows melt to fill the rivers from which water is taken to sustain life in the cities and towns.

First there had to be thorough investigation into the cause of fires and possible means of prevention, and this was carried out by means of a Royal Commission. A later Royal Commission was appointed to investigate grazing in forest areas as a possible cause of forest fires. I mention this because from the report of the Commissioner, Judge L. E. B. Stretton, the extract which follows has been often used both by the Natural Resources Conservation League and its parent body, the

“Save the Forests” Campaign, in the task of bringing home to as many as possible of the people of this State the interdependence of three vital resources—forests, soil and water. It has been later recognised more fully that to these three there should be added wildlife.

“Amongst the many subjects which fill the field of this inquiry, three stand pre-eminent, in an inseparable trinity—forest, soil and water. No one of them can stand alone. No one of them, alone, can be understood. No one of them, without the others, can prosper. Each keeps the others in health. If one is injured, the three must share the injury. A cycle of destruction of all three may begin with any one of them. Destroy your forests and your water will destroy your soil. Destroy the sources of your water storages and your forests and soil will vanish. Destroy any one of them and you destroy the well-being of your people. You may even destroy the people themselves. This is no mere pattern of fantasy built into an edifice of words. Civilisations have perished, leaving only the monuments of man’s pretentiousness to mock their memory, because in ignorance or wantonness man’s impious hand has disturbed the delicate balance which nature would maintain between forest, soil and water.”

### THE EVOLVING COMMONWEALTH

Total area of the Commonwealth is approximately 14 million square miles, and the total population is approximately 723 million.

#### Member Nations of the Commonwealth:

Membership dating from the Statute of Westminster in 1931 — United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, New Zealand.

As other countries in the Commonwealth have reached sovereign status most of them have sought and been welcomed into full membership. Since 1931 the Commonwealth membership has grown to include these nations—

1947: India, Pakistan.

1948: Ceylon.

1957: Ghana, The Federation of Malaya.

1960: The Federation of Nigeria.

1961: Cyprus, Sierra Leone, Tanganyika.

In 1962, Western Samoa, Trinidad and Tobago, and Jamaica have become independent.



The Commonwealth Prime Ministers agree that such should be treated as Commonwealth countries pending a decision on whether they are to become members.

The Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland is not a full member of the Commonwealth, but the Prime Minister of the Federation is normally invited to attend meetings of the Commonwealth Prime Ministers. The Federation is composed of the self-governing colony of Southern Rhodesia and the Protectorates of Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland.

For reasons of history, geography and economics, each member country naturally sees the Commonwealth from a somewhat different angle.

With its extraordinarily varied membership, which embraces peoples of all races, creeds and continents, it is not very surprising that Commonwealth countries often hold different opinions on world problems. What is much more remarkable is that they all wish to maintain this special association with each other.

What is it that holds us together? What are the links that unite us? First, there is the Queen. All our countries, whether they are Monarchies or Republics, recognise Her Majesty as the head of the Commonwealth and the symbol of its unity. But apart from this formal role Queen Elizabeth personally plays a most important part. Her frequent tours, and the enthusiasm which they evoke, are a very real factor in cementing the cohesion of the Commonwealth.

We have developed a common belief in such things as the dignity of man, freedom of speech, equality before the law, the independence of the judiciary, honest and impartial administration, representative government and respect for the rights of minorities. To put these high principles fully into practice may not be easy in all the circumstances, but they provide a set of common standards which all are honourably committed to try and achieve.

Our common political institutions are a particularly powerful bond between us. The parliaments of most Commonwealth countries are conducted on very similar lines. There are, of course, differences, and this is

only to be expected; for the political system cannot be divorced from the general background of the country concerned.

Regular exchanges of information and opinion are conducted in an atmosphere of mutual confidence and frankness, which is rare in international relations. The climax of these consultations is the meeting of Commonwealth Prime Ministers, who sit and talk together privately and informally.

Important as are these manifold official relations, we must always remember that the Commonwealth is not just an association of governments. It is an association of peoples, between whom there are countless connections which need to be continuously refreshed and strengthened.

But our future relationship cannot rest on past goodwill alone. The many personal links, which inevitably come to an end with independence, must be replaced by other personal links of a different kind. For, if the spirit of the Commonwealth is to endure as a living reality, and not as a dying ember of the past, it must in each new generation be refreshed and fostered by new contacts and the sharing of new experiences.

(From "The Evolving Commonwealth" and "The Modern Commonwealth"—  
British Information Office.)

## STARS

Each month there will be an article on constellations to be seen in the sky for that period.

It is suggested that those interested obtain from Headquarters a copy of the book, "An Easy Guide to Southern Stars," by M. A. Orr. This is the best book available for our purposes on the stars of the Southern Hemisphere, and reference will be made throughout the series to its maps.

### February

At approximately 9 p.m. the Southern Cross will be south-east of south, lying on its side, about one-third of the way between the horizon and overhead, with the Pointers beneath it.

If you do not know it already, remember the Cross is a small group, but its stars and the Pointers are bright.

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At the foot of the Cross there is a tiny lopsided oblong of faint stars. This is Musca Australis, the Southern Fly.

Both of these constellations can be seen all the year.

("Easy Guide to Southern Stars": Southern Cross—Map 1; Musca Australis—Map 30.)



Extract from a personal letter to the Editor from a Guider near Bristol, England: "Tomorrow there is a whole day for badge testing. My Guides alone between them are doing 86 badges and First Class Tests besides. It's a new idea we have—two days set aside in one year—one in April and one in October. All badge tests, besides First Class, are done on this day, with the exception of First Class hikes, etc. We find it is very successful—in the District over 400 badges will be taken over the year, 300 being taken tomorrow. Before this system only 57 were taken by the District in a year."

**During a recent hike the Guides of 2nd Shepparton Company constructed, and were able to use, this rope bridge.**

(Block by courtesy of "The Shepparton News")

## CORRESPONDENCE

### THIS OFFER MAY BE OF INTEREST TO DISTRICTS RAISING FUNDS FOR A HALL:

"On behalf of the 'TOP HAT REVUE CO,' I would like to offer our services to any of your groups who are trying to raise funds for the building of new halls, etc.

We have a good bright show which appeals to people of all ages, and we do not ask for any fees or expenses.

Hoping you will be able to help us to help you,

Yours sincerely,

Joyce L. Cobble, 96 Gowrie St., Glenroy,  
(Top Hat Revue Co.)"

## WHITEHORSE DIVISION

Whitehorse Division has expanded to such an extent that, on the recommendation of the Sub-Committee for Boundaries, it is to be divided into two Divisions. The new boundaries will follow, as far as possible, the municipal boundaries in Box Hill and Camberwell.

One Division, which is in the Municipality of Box Hill, will retain the name "Whitehorse" and will consist of the districts of Box Hill, Bennettswood, Surrey and Wattle Park. The Division Commissioner will be Mrs. S. G. Dewar.

The other Division will be within the Municipality of Camberwell and will be called "Boroondara." It is said that Boroondara was the name of the aborigine tribe which used to meet under a tree which still stands in the Camberwell Gardens. The name was used until fairly recently for an Electoral District. The Districts in the Boroondara Division will be Ashburton-Glen Iris, Burwood, Camberwell-Hartwell and Canterbury. The Division Commissioner will be Mrs. R. E. Gray.

The final combined Guide Ceremony for the original Whitehorse Division took place late last year, when a Guide Service was held at the Methodist Church, Burke Road, Balwyn. This was attended by about 500 Guides, Brownies, Rangers and Cadets, and by many Guiders; the Mayor and Mayoress of Box Hill, the Mayoress of Camberwell, Mr. V. F. Wilcox, M.L.A., and Mrs. Wilcox; by Councillors and Scout Commissioners and members of the L.As. 21 Colours were carried into the Church, representing the 21 Companies of Guides, Rangers and Cadets in the Division. The guest speaker was Mrs. C. Osbourn Shave. The offering has been sent to the "Freedom From Hunger" Campaign.

This inspiring service was a fitting finale to an association of several districts which have worked so well together to make Whitehorse Division an active part of the Victorian Girl Guides Association.

P.G.

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It's easy finding reasons why other folks should be patient.

## SHOW VIGNETTE

Small eleven-year-old voice: "Cap, is that you? Oh, Cap, I just rang up to say I'm sorry I won't be able to get to Guides tonight because we went to the Show today and daddy isn't feeling well and can't drive me."

Captain: "Oh, bad luck—I hope you had a good day."

S.E.V.: "Yes, thank you, Cap; it was very enjoyable. Oh, Cap, I saw the Guide stall and I thought it was really very good—very good, I thought."

Capt.: "I'm so glad. See you next week, then."

S.E.V.: "And the ladies on the stall spoke so nicely to people, Cap, sort of explaining and patient. I thought it was all really very nice."

Capt.: "That's grand; I hope to see it myself tomorrow. Glad you enjoyed yourself . . ."

S.E.V.: "There was a girl there asking questions, and I thought it was really very nice the way the ladies explained everything to her and didn't seem a bit impatient or anything. It was very good, I thought."

Capt.: "Did you tell them you were a Guide?"

S.E.V.: "No, my little brother ran away then, so I couldn't stay."

Capt. (fidgetting a bit, it's getting late) trying to end on a joking note: "All right, see you next week; I'm sorry your father isn't well—tell him from me he shouldn't have eaten so much Fairy Floss!"

S.E.V. (seriously): "Yes, he thinks that's what it probably was. Thank you, Cap."

## ORRVALE'S FIRST QUEEN'S GUIDES

Two Orrvale Guides, Laurice Edney and Zelda Akers, were presented recently with their Queen's Guide Badges at a ceremony attended by over one hundred friends. Representatives of the L.A., ex-Guiders, parents and friends attended the gathering. A further highlight of the evening was the presentation of a Thanks Badge to Mrs. Cuthbert, a member of the L.A. who has given many years of outstanding service. Everyone present felt that the evening was a great climax to thirty years of Guiding in the Orrvale District.

A. MacFayden, District Commissioner.

## EXTENSION SECTION TRANSPORT

Transport to take members of the Section to their meetings and back to their homes is urgently needed by the Extension Section. Can you help? Or perhaps you know of someone who would like to help?

The meetings, held fortnightly on a Saturday afternoon, are at Balwyn, Brighton and Camberwell. Drivers in the Hampton District are needed to take Rangers to their meetings at Camberwell. The Brownies, Guides and Rangers look forward to the meetings — in some cases it is the only time the girls leave their homes.

We do thank the members of L.As. and other drivers for their wonderful help in the past years—and we do hope they will continue!

But if you can help in any way would you please ring Mrs. Alexander, 211 1632, or Miss D. Kane, 42 4947?

### A DATE TO REMEMBER

"Bring a Gift and Buy a Gift Afternoon" on 30th March, 1963, at 2 p.m., at Victorian School for the Deaf, St. Kilda Road.

Official Opening 2 p.m. by Mrs. J. R. Price, State Commissioner. Proceeds for the proposed 1965 trip to New Zealand for Extension Guides and Rangers. Stalls include cakes, produce, toys, groceries, and will be manned by members of the Extension and Post Companies.

Any donations could be left with Miss M. Lambe, 13 John Street, Kew; or Miss D. Kane, 41 Amsterdam Street, Richmond.

### UNIFORM PUBLICITY SECRETARIES

THE FOLLOWING UNIFORM HAS BEEN APPROVED FOR WEAR BY PUBLICITY SECRETARIES:—

1. All **enrolled** Publicity Secretaries are entitled to wear Commissioners' uniform. (Enrolled members are those who have served the Association as Guides, Rangers, Cadets, Guiders or Commissioners.)
2. Tie—Navy blue. Cockade—Tawny red.
3. A metal bar "Publicity Secretary" to be worn on left breast.
4. When not in uniform, the bar to be worn on the left breast under the Trefoil.
5. Publicity Secretaries, not enrolled, wear the bar only on the left breast.

*not wear uniform*



### "MISS SENIOR GUIDE"

Selection Day — Sunday, 24th February, 1963, at Guide Headquarters. Door opens 9 a.m. and judging starts 10 a.m.

Remember—Street clothes; sports clothes (tennis dress or shorts and shirt); long or short evening dress; £5; and cut lunch.

All entry forms to be in by Saturday, 16th February, 1963.

M. Tucker, phone 81 3230.

### TRAINING IN METEOROLOGY

Following a request from an Air Ranger Guider, a course of two nights has been arranged for Senior Branch Guiders at the Meteorology Training School, 2nd Floor, Grant's Building, 501 Swanston Street, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, 13th March, and Wednesday, 20th March. Only twelve trainees can be accommodated. Apply — Training Secretary — by 28th February.

### THINKING DAY

The Senior Branch will hold a Thinking Day Service at Guide Headquarters at 6.30 a.m. on 22nd February, at which anybody who cares to attend will be made welcome. The Service will commence with the breaking of the World Flag, followed by prayers, then a Ranger and Cadet who have recently returned from Britain's Panorama will speak of their trip. The Service will conclude about 7.45 a.m., after which tea will be available. Those going on directly to school or work may wear their uniforms if they wish, provided their school or employer is agreeable.

### SENIOR BRANCH CONFERENCE CAMP LABOUR DAY WEEKEND —

9th-11th MARCH, 1963.

A Conference-Camp will be held at Guide House from Saturday to Monday; Seniors are asked to bring hike tents, but ridge tents will be available. Fee (including food) approximately £2/5/- and application forms can be obtained from Miss Jan Oliver, 123 Wellington Street, Windsor (LA 1065). Unless called elsewhere for duty, the Police

Search and Rescue Squad will visit the Camp on Sunday for a full-scale demonstration and training, which should be of great interest to those hoping to join the Senior Branch Disaster Squad.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO:

MARION HOUSTON, Caulfield Rangers, on completion of Ranger Service Star.



### THE GUIDE CHOIR

During 1962 the Guide Choir has been very busy. We have sung at Church Parades, the Annual Meeting and Divisional Campfires. We made a record. (Have you bought one yet?) We learnt new songs, and we went carolling to Mount Royal, and to the Extension Branch Christmas Party.

1963 promises to be a very busy year, for the Choir will be singing at the Thinking Day Campfire, and at the St. George's Day Service. Several of our members have gone overseas, and new members are urgently needed to join us. During February, weekly rehearsals will be held in the Training Room at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. commencing on Tuesday, 5th February. Fortnightly practices will begin the first week in March. Further information can be obtained from the Choir Leader, Mrs. J. W. Clarke, 2 Westbourne Grove, Camberwell. Tel.: 82 5600.

### SOUTH AUSTRALIAN INTERSTATE REFRESHER CAMP

17th-24th May, 1963

South Australia wishes to issue an invitation to all States to participate in their Interstate Refresher Camp. One week's hospitality is offered to Interstate visitors.

The programme will include a refresher in all aspects of the active syllabus, through exciting woodcraft, hiking, living and using the Law and Promise and the Patrol System in camp. Guiders interested should apply for official application form to Camping Secretary, Headquarters, 20 Russell Street, Melbourne, before 15th March. Fee will be £8 plus fares.

### GUIDERS — A COMPLAINT!

At the recent Wildflower Day Excursion, fifty-seven (57) Guiders sent in applications stating their intention of being present, and the Field Naturalists Society, who were supplying guides to conduct the Field Day, were notified accordingly. FIFTY-SEVEN APPLIED — TWENTY-FIVE ATTENDED.

I don't think I need to say that that was a pretty poor show. We have a Fifth Guide Law which should mean something to us, and particularly when an outside organisation is involved, that kind of thing should not happen.

Cynthia M. Walker, Training Adviser.

### CAMPING DEPARTMENT

The following Courses have been arranged for 1963:

**Camp First Aid Course:** Daytime and evening classes will be held, commencing on Friday, 26th April, at Headquarters, for four weeks. Daytime: 10 a.m.-12 noon. Evening: 7.45 p.m.-9.45 p.m.

**Pack Holiday Training and Indoor Camp Training:** Daytime class commencing Monday, 24th June, for two weeks. 10 a.m.-12 noon. Evening class commencing Monday, 24th June, for two weeks. 7.45-9.45 p.m.

Both classes will combine for weekend at Guide House on 13th-14th July.

**Q.M. Course:** Daytime and evening classes commencing on Wednesday, 3rd July, for four weeks. Daytime: 10 a.m.-12 noon. Evening, 7.45 p.m.-9.45 p.m.

**Campcraft Training:** A Campcraft Training Course has been arranged with three nights at H.Q. and two weekends at the Guide House. Dates are as follows: Tuesdays, 17th and 24th September, and 1st October, 7.45-9.45 p.m. at H.Q.; and weekends at the Guide House, 19th-20th October, and 9th-10th November. M. McDonald, Camping Adviser.

### EASTER TRAINING

19th - 22nd APRIL, 1963.

### GUIDE HOUSE, YARRA JUNCTION

A Residential Training for Brownie, Guide and Senior Branch Guiders will be held at the Guide House at Easter.

Applications to Training Secretary by 29th March if possible. Further details re fees, transport, etc., available on request. Guider-in-Charge: Miss M. Lambe.

## BROWNIE BETTY

There was a lot to discuss at Pow-wow on the first meeting for the year—not only was next week their Thinking Day meeting, but Julie and Margaret were to fly up to Guides, and Susan, who was Golden Bar, was to go up. It had been arranged that the Guides should visit the Pack for the last half-hour of their meeting to receive the three Brownies.

Tawny suggested that they had a Visitors-to-Australia meeting, all about the things they'd like to show to Brownies and Guides from other countries, and everyone thought that a good idea and decided to bring things they'd like to show as well as the Thinking Day money they'd saved out of their pocket money to help Brownies and Guides of other countries. Then they planned the Flying-up Ceremony and practised it.

The Thinking Day meeting began with the Pack in a circle round a drawing of a spray of wattle without any flowers (Tawny had drawn it on the path in green chalk), and one by one the Brownies closed their eyes and held them shut with two fingers while they tried to put their 6d. on the wattle to make a flower. The wattle did look pretty when they'd finished, even though some flowers seemed to have fallen off the stem.

Next the members of each Six inspected each other and sent the two nicest to Brown Owl who chose the nicest of all, and it was Julie. Julie arranged five cardboard stars, four of which had seven points and the other five points, to form the Southern Cross, while all but the six chosen Brownies made a circle round it. The six Brownies then ran round outside the circle till Tawny clapped when they all ran to try to stand on a star. Jenny didn't get a star so she became the Old-Woman-who-looked-after-the-sky, she looked carefully to see who was on each star, then ran to a big tree and counted five, by which time the Brownies from the Southern Cross were all in the circle amongst the other Brownies and she had to try to choose the right ones and put them on their stars again. Jenny chose the right Brownies, but only got three on the right stars. Then six other Brownies were out; Betty got on the little star, and when Karen, who was the "Old Woman," came back and put another Brownie on that star Betty managed to keep

her face straight so Karen didn't guess that she should have taken Betty. Denise was the next "Old Woman," and she got everyone right.

Brownies, of course, must be able to tell visitors about their own flags, so those who hadn't passed Union Jack went with Tawny, and those who had—including Betty—went with Brown Owl to learn about Australia's flag. Brown Owl had an Australian flag cut into three. On one piece was the Union Jack, and the Brownies all guessed that it was on the flag to show that Australia belonged to the British Commonwealth. They recognised the Southern Cross on another piece, and Brown Owl asked who could pick it out in the sky and promised to point it out to the others the next time they were out on a clear night. She explained that it was the brightest group of stars in the south part of the world. The third piece had only a big seven-pointed star on it and Brown Owl explained it by showing them another star with each point a different colour, and a map of Australia and the Territories it looks after, with each State and the Territories coloured to match one of the points of the star. "That's our Australian Commonwealth star," she said, "and its points stand for the six States and the Territories and the whole star stands for . . .". "Australia," said Betty.

The Golden Bar Brownies and Pack Leader had been exploring Australia with a compass and Betty was sent to call them home to play "Bunyip Asleep."

At Pow-wow they had a little boat sail round the circle while each put her Thinking Day money in it, and Brown Owl said that all the money from Australia would go to England in a big ship and would then be used to help Brownies and Guides anywhere in the world who specially needed it. They all looked at the Australian things they'd brought, which varied from a boomerang to a pair of socks with a "Made in Australia" label. Thinking Day was the following Friday, and Brown Owl reminded them to think of Brownies in other countries. "And Julie, Susan and I will think of Guides, too," said Margaret.

Just as she said "Guides," Captain, Lieutenant and the Guides arrived, and Lieutenant taught them all an exciting game, then Brown Owl told a story and it was time for the Flying-up.

The Brownies watched the Guides march into Horseshoe, then they did Brownie Ring with their Commissioner in the Ring with them, and she pinned Brownie Wings on Julie and Margaret; then the Pack gave them a Grand Salute and said a rhyme they'd made up, which ended, "Goodbye, goodbye, it's time to fly," and first Margaret, then Julie, saluted and said "Goodbye," then caught hold of a rope over a very thick branch of a tree and swung over the path to the Horseshoe where they were welcomed by their Patrol Leaders. Then Susan followed a little golden road across the path and reached the Guide Horseshoe and was welcomed by her Patrol Leader; and the Guides dismissed and vanished with their Recruits and the Brownies quickly tidied up and vanished too.

#### DO YOU APPROVE ?

1. Does the Commissioner always join in Brownie Ring and pin on the Wings?
2. Should Brownies pass Union Jack first, then Australian Flag later, or do both Flag Tests together?

(Answers on page 177.)

#### QUEEN'S GUIDE BADGE AT SHEPPARTON

At a special presentation ceremony in the Shepparton Guide Hall, the Guide Captain welcomed the Mayor and Mayoress, the District Commissioner, Deaconess, and many Guides and friends who had come to see Mary Vibert presented with her Queen's Guide Badge.

There have been five Queen's Guides in Shepparton, and four have come from 2nd Shepparton Coy. — the last, five years ago.

Lady McDonald presented the Badge to Mary, hoping she would always carry with her the spirit of Guiding and comradeship, and remember the Promise and Laws of the great Movement. The District Commissioner expressed congratulations on behalf of the Guides of the District and Local Association.

The Mayor spoke of the value of leadership in the community and the wonderful opportunity Guiding afforded in training of the many crafts and ideals of better living.

The congratulations and good wishes of all Mary's Church and Sunday School friends were presented by the Deaconess.

After games and Campfire the evening finished with the singing of Taps.

(By courtesy of "The Shepparton News.")

#### A COMMISSIONER'S TRAINING

Recently to Headquarters there went  
Thirteen eager D.C.'s.  
Each armed with paper and pencil  
Ready to work like busy bees.

From Echuca to Melbourne,  
Goulburn Valley to Marnoo,  
We thought our berets looked quite  
smart  
With cockades, silver and blue.

The Guide meeting we quite enjoyed,  
And the Enrolment really impressed.  
The lass who gave the First Class talk  
Justly passed that part of her test.

Saturday morning to Ashburton we  
went  
To see a Pack perform.  
We all enjoyed the Brownies' work  
And a "cuppa" made us warm.

The rest of the day was spent in  
learning  
Of L.As., Extensions and Lones,  
And, as night-time drew slowly near  
We wended our way to our homes.

Sunday we felt a little sad  
As drill and ceremonial drew to an  
end,  
But standing in a circle singing "Taps"  
Each felt she'd gained a new friend.

To Headquarters and Trainers we all  
say "thanks"  
For all the work they have done  
In making this course a memorable one,  
A weekend of friendship and fun.

—D.Q.

#### SPRINGVALE NEWS

A Social Evening for Guiders — the first of its kind in the Division — was held recently and we all thoroughly enjoyed the night. We really got to know each other, and feel that our few links in the "Chain of Guiding" will be much stronger for this get-together.

Brownies, Guides and Guiders also attended the Division Campfire — items by each group and much loud, cheerful (and tuneful) singing added to the fun of the evening.

## SENIOR BRANCH COMMANDOS

One Friday night 36 Rangers and Cadets set off for Rowallan Camp Site, sharing a bus with a number of suspicious-looking objects like scramble nets, old car tyres and arrows—yes, arrows! It was amazing what they achieved in the dark on their arrival, and hike tents and sleeping bags were at the ready in no time and peace descended—strictly for the night only!

Bright and early Saturday morning little fires were burning outside the tents, and after Colours and breakfast everyone put their heads together and worked out how to suspend scramble nets 20 feet high between trees; how to build rope bridges 15 feet up, and how to suspend car tyres from a rope lashed between two gum trees so that in the ensuing complicated manoeuvres they could travel from tree to tree via the aforementioned "swinging" tyres.

A short pause to get a breath and eat lunch and then in Patrols they attacked the Commando course. It was up and over the scramble nets, across the bridge, through the tyres and other complicated trials, and then out into the bush to devise a makeshift stretcher and carry a patient back to camp on it. These obstacles were tackled in such a way that it really tested initiative and resource.

At Campfire a group of Rovers joined their voices to the chorus and honoured the Rangers by initiating one of them as a Brave of their select Troop in a ceremony that turned out to be more hilarious than difficult. When a famous(!) and rather temperamental conductor agreed to lead our orchestra the Rovers produced a much more effective double bass than the Rangers could ever encompass. Campfire was fun, but sleeping bags were even better after our first Commando Day.

Sunday morning meant a simple, impressive Guides' Own in the Scout Chapel; then a miming and acting session showed clearly how many potential actresses the Senior Branch has lurking in its midst.

In the afternoon the campers divided into specialised activities and we believe that, after their efforts at javelin and discus throwing, they will almost certainly be representing us at the next Olympics. The archery school was very popular—though the target was

probably the safest place to stand! The pioneering group erected an exhilarating flying fox and several types of commando bridge, while others perfected their skill at compass and mapping. The weather was perfect, the company congenial, and the activities stimulating and constructive. Thirty-six somewhat hesitant Seniors set off on Friday night; thirty-six thrilled, talkative and exhausted (but 100 per cent fit) Seniors returned on Sunday. It was terrific!

Lynne Mummery, Yarraville Rangers.



## A MESSAGE FROM CEYLON

When we asked Mrs. E. Penny, a member of the Ringwood Council, to be our speaker at East Ringwood Thinking Day Ceremony, she wrote to her friend Iris Blacker, Training Adviser for Ceylon.

By return mail she received the following Thinking Day Message, which she read to us.

"As we stand today on the solid foundations laid for us by those who believed in the Guide and Scout Movement, we face a war-torn world fraught with hatred and suspicion, void of love and understanding.

"Let us therefore be thankful that we Guides and Scouts, with no barriers of colour, caste or creed, can unitedly celebrate this lovely event of Thinking Day.

"Australia, from your Chief Commissioner to the tiniest Brownie, holds a special place in the hearts of all Guiders, Rangers, Guides and Little Friends of Ceylon, for the happy fellowship, knowledge, love and understanding we have exchanged with each other.

"May the links in our chain of Guiding be stronger and brighter as the years go on.

"Yours in the fellowship of Guiding,  
Iris Blacker, Training Adviser, Ceylon."

Of course, the beautiful card will be one of the District's most treasured possessions, but we felt that the message belongs to all of us in Australia.

(Mrs.) D. M. PEARCE,  
Div. Com., Mullum Mullum.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAYS, U.S.A. An Account of the Celebrations

Not just one, but two important birthdays are being remembered by Girl Scouts throughout the United States as they celebrate their Birthday Years from 1960 to 1963. The first birthday was 31st October, 1960—centennial of Juliette Low's birth. Mrs. Low founded Girl Scouting in the United States, having caught the idea from Lord Baden-Powell, Founder of the Scout and Guide Movements.

The second birthday was 12th March, 1962, fiftieth anniversary of the beginning of Girl Scouting in this country. Girl Scouts are celebrating the two birthdays together by commemorating the past and rededicating themselves to the future. Special events and projects to make these years memorable have taken place, are going on now and will continue till the 51st Girl Scout Birthday, 12th March, 1963. The theme expressing the purpose of these years is "Honour the Past—Serve the Future." Finding and honouring the women—men, too—who helped to establish Girl Scouting in communities from coast to coast, was the initial project. These local pioneers in the Movement, some still active in Girl Scouting, some out of touch with current Scout activities, were honoured at Founder's Day celebrations held in October, 1960.

Where are yesterday's Girl Scouts? What are they doing today? After the Founder's Day celebrations councils began to seek local women whose careers were influenced by their experience as Girl Scouts. The project, "Yesterday's Girl Scouts — Today's Career Women," has brought tributes to Girl Scouting as a factor in their professional success from many women prominent in education, politics and the arts.

Heritage Hikes are the third feature of the Birthday Years. Scheduled for spring, summer and fall, 1961, many Heritage Hikes explorations of neighbourhoods, towns, cities and countries still go on because Girl Scouts want to find out more about their community, their country, the people of today and yesterday. One of the most popular projects is "Blossoms for the Birthday Years." In communities large and small, along highways, in parks and home gardens, on grounds of schools, hospitals, libraries, churches and

synagogues, the gold and green of Girl Scout Blossoms will be seen across the land during the Golden Anniversary Year. This gigantic bouquet of Golden Blossoms—which includes a special yellow floribunda named the "Girl Scout Rose" and a dwarf marigold called "Brownie Scout"—will be a birthday gift from nearly three and a half million Girl Scouts to the people of the United States. It is an expression of thanks for the generous support which has enabled Girl Scouting to grow and flourish.

Besides saying thank you with the Golden Blossoms, Girl Scouts are thanking their communities with a 50th birthday gift especially for the children. This is a "Youth-Serves-Youth" project designed to meet the needs of tomorrow's citizens. The gift varies from place to place, because each Girl Scout Council surveyed the needs of the children in the community before deciding upon the services that Girl Scouts will carry out. The projects were announced to communities, and nationally at a Congressional Luncheon in Washington, D.C., at 50th birthday celebrations, 12th March, 1962. They will be carried out during the coming year and results announced at 1963 Birthday celebrations.

(By Mrs. Malcolm S. Edgar, First Vice-President and International Commissioner of Girl Scouts of the United States of America.)

(Reprinted from "The Council Fire.")

### FIRE SONG

Logs of She-oak burn too fast,  
There's a fire that will not last.  
Red-gum wood is best, they say,  
If for long it's laid away.  
Acacia makes a bitter smoke,  
Fills your eyes and makes you choke.  
It is, by some bushmen said,  
Tea-tree bakes the sweetest bread.  
Messmate burns like churchyard mould—  
E'en the very flames are cold.  
Peppermint will fill your room  
With its own bush-like perfume.  
Mallee roots burn well, and last;  
Wattle's hot, but rather fast.  
But yellow boxwood every day,  
To keep you warm and make you gay.

A.McA.C.

(From "Matilda," September, 1928.)

## BRITAIN'S PANORAMA, 1962

It all began at the end of 1961. There were lots of nominations and we went into Headquarters to be interviewed for State representatives for the All-Australia choosing. The two of us who were chosen by the panel were Robin O'Brien of the Boroondara Cadet Company, and Lindsey Pearson of the 6th Victorian Lone Ranger Company. Then we were interviewed by Miss Manning in January, and later came a letter saying we were both going, also Pamela Cooksey from Sydney Cadet Company. Then plans were made.

The three of us went over separately. Pam and Lindsey were very lucky and were able to attend the Ranger Adventure Week at Our Chalet. The Ranger Adventure Week went into a fortnight, and the first ten days were spent at the Chalet. There were 42 girls from 11 countries. Most of the girls were working girls having their holidays, and others were students. Each day we went out walking in the mountains. Had large meals back at the Chalet to keep us healthy. We learnt about Switzerland through talks and through games when hiking was out. Saw the wildflowers, mainly the beautiful gentian. Heard an Alpine horn. Saw snow fall, the snow lasted for the weekend, but no skiing.

Then we spent three days in Bern, and here we saw all of Bern, found out how one of the largest stores runs, and visited some of the Rangers' homes. The Rangers in Bern were our hostesses. We also learnt a little of Youth Hostelling, as we spent three days in the Bern Youth Hostel, a wonderful modern building. After this we did not meet up again until the Panorama began.

The Panorama was divided into three sections — 1) hospitality in a County; (2) journey from the County to Bristol; and (3) service at Bristol.

We three Australians were to receive hospitality in Lancashire.

In south-east Lancashire we were in different boroughs, and attended Guide meetings, Ranger meetings, and met the Lord Mayor of Bury, the centre of the towns. Over the weekend we attended Church services in the local Churches, and took part in some of our own interests.

On Tuesday we went to Blackburn, north-east Lancashire. On our way we had a typical rain storm, so they told us. We were

all staying in Blackburn, and here we again saw Ranger meetings and some Brownies. We also saw some cotton factories and schools.

In both parts of Lancashire we were taken through the County and we found it to be some of the most beautiful country we saw, even if there were some factories in the distance.

OUR SECOND PART OF THE PANORAMA began on Friday, the 13th. We had met the five other girls we were travelling with, and were all to meet in Llandudno, Wales.

At Llandudno, our first call, we got a boat to Menai. From Menai we went to Caernarvon, and walked to the place where we were to stay the night (about twenty minutes' walk from Caernarvon). We spent about one hour in Caernarvon having something to eat and a look at the Castle.

On Saturday we went by bus from Caernarvon to Llanberis, to walk up Snowden. We spent the night at Bangor Youth Hostel. Not all of us got to the top of Snowden, but we all got past the halfway mark.

Sunday we went by special coach (eight of us in a 40-seater) from Bangor to Llangollen. At Llangollen we were met by other Senior Branch members who took us around for the day, and to the Eisteddfod and the Vienna Boys' Choir. We had hospitality that night.

Monday from Ruabon to Shrewsbury by train. We were shown all over Shrewsbury and an antique furniture shop. We spent the night at Shrewsbury.

Tuesday—Shrewsbury to Birmingham by train. Train trouble made us late. We were met by Guiders who took us by car to Coventry, where we saw the wonderful Cathedral, and then a quick look at Warwick Castle, and on to Stratford-on-Avon. At Stratford we saw a performance of Cymbeline, the first night at the Royal Stratford Theatre. We also saw many other Senior Branch members on their way to the Panorama. That night we slept in a hall.

Wednesday. The morning was spent seeing some of Stratford's famous sights. Then we went by bus to Hereford, for lunch, and a look at the famous Cathedral, and afterwards by bus to Ledbury where we had hospitality for the night.

Thursday. We had a look around Ledbury and then left by bus for Coleford. On this

bus were other parties going to the same place. We spent the night at St. Briavel's Hostel, and all went to the local Youth Club's Barn Dance.

Friday. We travelled by coach—now thirty of us—through Gloucestershire, then by ferry across the Severn and by bus to Bristol and Churchill Hall.

**THE THIRD PART — SERVICE IN BRISTOL.** There were now about 400 girls from 33 countries in the residential halls of Bristol University. Most of us had our own rooms, and all facilities laid on. Friday night we had a recorded speech of welcome to us by the Chief Guide, Lady Baden-Powell. There was the talk on the work of Save the Children Fund, the organisation we were to work for during this week. Next day began with a full Colour Ceremony, and then the Work Shops. Everyone was put into one of these Work Shops — knitting, leather work, toddlers' clothes, dressmaking, toys, toilet articles, Guiding aids. The work was done from 9.45 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 4.15 p.m. to 6.45 p.m. each day except Sunday. On Sunday we had special Church Services at St. Mary's, Redcliffe, and the Pro Cathedral. On Sunday afternoon we had stories about the journey down. On the journey we had special diaries to write up, and it was from these that the tales were told. At night we had the Bristol Youth Orchestra to give us a concert. We had two free nights—Monday and Wednesday. On Tuesday we had a special Campfire with Lady Baden-Powell. She had her evening meal with us.

On Thursday we had the final Colour Ceremony, and a visit by the Chief Commissioner Miss Anstice Gibbs. This day we finished off as many articles as we could. That night we had final Campfire and a talk by Miss Gibbs.

During the week ten from each Workshop were selected daily to go into Bristol and work in the many places that had been chosen, to say thank you to Bristol for having us there.

On Friday we left Bristol for London. It was sad saying goodbye to all our friends, but wonderful to think we had been able to attend such a gathering. We were taken to the Y.W.C.A. Bedford House, where we were to stay, as OUR ARK was full, and then to Commonwealth Headquarters for tea with the other Commonwealth countries' repre-

sentatives. This was a wonderful way to end the Panorama.

This was not the end, though. We said goodbye to Pamela, who sailed home by ship. Then we went to Lymington to a camp arranged by the neice of Mrs. Carty-Salmon (Division Commissioner for Inner Southern Suburbs). This was to say thank you to Victoria for having done a kindness for the Guides of Lymington some time ago. It really was a wonderful camp. There again many friends were made. We were only sorry that all the Guides in Victoria could not have taken part in the "thank you."

On our way home we visited many countries and met many people. We arrived back in Melbourne tired, our plane four hours late, but filled with many thoughts, especially how fortunate we were to be able to have taken part in Britain's Panorama, and seen the beautiful countries on our way there, and home.

Thank you, Victoria, for allowing us to go.

Lindsey Pearson.

### **GLENHUNTLY GUIDES' SOCIAL**

A Social Night was given recently for some elderly citizens of Caulfield by the Glenhuntly Guide Company.

Bright smiles greeted the guests as they entered the local Scout Hall, and the floral decorations on the tables had been done by different Patrols.

Captain and Lieutenant welcomed the guests, and spoke of the things the elderly citizens had done to help their suburb. The Guides wanted to show their appreciation, hence this "high" tea.

Each Patrol had guests at their table, and the Guides served many appetising dishes and tempting pavlovas.

Later there was an investiture of Patrol Leaders, followed by Camp Songs and Sketches. The guests, too, added to the entertainment and led the community singing.

After Taps, each guest received a gift and a box of cakes, and was driven home by the Guides' fathers. The guests had much happiness "fraternising" with the Guides, and it is hoped that the Guides will have the pleasure of entertaining some more older folk at a later date.

E.F.

## TRAINING COURSES (Please keep for reference)

Each of the following dates indicates commencement of a Training Course. Preliminary, General and Senior Branch Courses are held once a week for six weeks, plus one outdoor session.

Specialised Courses and Camping Department Courses may vary and details of these will be published later.

### FIRST SERIES:

March 5th	..... 10 a.m.-12 noon.	H.Q. Brownie Preliminary. G.I.C.: Mrs. J. H Newton.
March 5th	..... 8 p.m.-10 p.m.	H.Q. Brownie Preliminary.
March 6th	..... 10 a.m.-12 noon.	H.Q. Guide Preliminary. G.I.C.: Mrs. D. James.
March 6th	..... 8 p.m.-10 p.m.	H.Q. Guide Preliminary. G.I.C.: Miss L. Smith
March 6th	..... 10 am.-12 noon.	AREA Brownie and Guide Preliminary. G's.I.C.: Mrs. Sharp and Mrs. Moors.
March 7th	..... 10 a.m.-12 noon.	H.Q. Brownie General. G.I.C.: Mrs. A. Sharp.
March 7th	..... 8 p.m.-10 p.m.	H.Q. Guide General. G.I.C.: Miss Y. James.
March 8th	..... 8 p.m.-10 p.m.	H.Q. Brownie General. G.I.C.: Mrs. C. Morton.
April 23rd	..... 10 a.m.-12 noon.	H.Q. Guide General.
April 23rd	..... 10 a.m.-12 noon.	AREA BOX HILL. Brownie Specialised. G.I.C.: Mrs. L. Sharp.
April 24th	..... 8 p.m.-10 p.m.	H.Q. Guide Specialised —First Class (5 nights only).
April 26th	..... 7.45 p.m.	H.Q. Camping (four nights).
May 2nd	..... 7.45 p.m.	H.Q. Senior Branch (six nights).

### DETAILS OF SENIOR BRANCH COURSE:

MAY 2nd	.....	LIGHTWEIGHT CAMPING AND EQUIPMENT
9th	.....	GUIDER-SENIOR RELATIONSHIP
16th	.....	PROGRAMME PLANNING FOR THE SENIOR UNIT
23rd	.....	UNIT ADMINISTRATION IN THE SENIOR BRANCH
30th	.....	DRILL AND CEREMONIAL IN THE SENIOR BRANCH
JUNE 6th	.....	PROMISE AND LAW FOR THE OLDER GIRL *COUNTRY WEEKEND.

### SECOND SERIES:

MAY 21	6.30 p.m.	.....	Headquarters Guide Preliminary
22	10.00 a.m.	.....	Headquarters Brownie General
23	10.00 a.m.	.....	Headquarters Brownie Preliminary
24	8.00 p.m.	.....	Headquarters Guide General *COUNTRY WEEKEND.
JUNE 4	10.00 a.m.	.....	Headquarters Guide Preliminary
6	6.30 p.m.	.....	Headquarters Brownie General
JULY 2	8.00 p.m.	.....	Headquarters Brownie Specialised
2	10.30 a.m.	.....	Area — Brownie General
3	8.00 p.m.	.....	Headquarters Camping
4	8.00 p.m.	.....	Headquarters Senior Branch
5	7.45 p.m.	.....	Headquarters Guide Specialised

### THIRD SERIES:

AUG. 6	10.00 a.m.	.....	Headquarters Brownie General
6	8.00 p.m.	.....	Headquarters Brownie General
8	10.00 a.m.	.....	Headquarters Guide General
8	8.00 p.m.	.....	Headquarters Guide Preliminary
9	8.00 p.m.	.....	Headquarters Brownie Preliminary
14	8.00 p.m.	.....	Headquarters Guide General *COUNTRY WEEKEND.

### FOURTH SERIES:

SEPT. 17	8.00 p.m.	.....	Headquarters Campcraft
19	8.00 p.m.	.....	Headquarters Guide Specialised
20	7.45 p.m.	.....	Headquarters Senior Branch
NOV. 6	10.00 a.m.	.....	Headquarters Guide Preliminary
6	8.00 p.m.	.....	Headquarters Brownie Preliminary
7	10.00 a.m.	.....	Headquarters Brownie General
7	8.00 p.m.	.....	Headquarters Brownie General
8	8.00 p.m.	.....	Headquarters Guide Preliminary
12	10.00 a.m.	.....	Headquarters Guide General
12	8.00 p.m.	.....	Headquarters Guide General

\*Dates and places of Country Weekends to be advised.

Application forms must be filled in for all Courses, but it will be noted that Commissioner's signature is required on application form for first training undertaken ONLY.

Application forms may be obtained from the District Commissioner or from the Training Secretary.

Application to attend a Course MUST reach the Training Secretary ONE WEEK before the commencement of Course.

Fee for Courses—7/6. Special Trainings—2/6 per night. All fees may be paid to the Trainer at first class of each Course.

Cynthia M. Walker, Training Adviser.

### SUMMARY OF THE LATEST AUSTRALIAN GUIDE "CENSUS"

		1962	1961
Victoria .....		36,179	33,976
New South Wales — State .....	25,667		23,743
A.C.T. ....	526		495
Norfolk Island .....	40		40
	-----	26,233	
Queensland .....		10,871	10,794
South Australia — State .....	9,108		8,170
Northern Territory .....	387		337
	-----	9,495	
Western Australia .....		6,653	6,161
Tasmania .....		5,897	5,934
Papua-New Guinea .....		4,217	3,092
Nauru .....		89	85
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		99,634	92,827
		=====	=====
Net increase for 1962 .....		6,807	

(Guiders who would like more detail on these figures are referred to the Australian Annual Report, obtainable from Headquarters.)

### TRANSPORT

Guiders are advised that transport to the Guide House may be arranged with Mr. P. R. Power, 36 King Street, North Fitzroy (phone JW 2065) at the following prices:—

Weekends: £16.

Day trips: £11.

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#### DO YOU AGREE? (Answers)

1. If the Commissioner is present at a Flying-up she may either join in the Brownie Ring or in the Horseshoe, just as those concerned prefer.
2. The Brownies may pass both parts of the Flag Test together if desired, but most find Union Jack quite a difficult test, and so may have the satisfaction of passing it before they do Australian Flag.

### CELTIC RUNES

Of healing—

Deep peace I breathe into you,

O weariness here, O ache here.

Deep peace, pure white of the moon to you,

Deep peace, pure blue of the sky to you,

Deep peace, pure brown of the earth to you,

Deep peace, pure grey of the dew to you.

For journeying—

And now, God grant you journeying mercies,  
friend,

Deep peace of the running wave to you,

Deep peace of the flowing air to you,

Deep peace of the quiet earth to you,

Deep peace of the shining stars to you,

Deep peace of the Son of Peace to you.

—Traditional.

## APPOINTMENTS

*District Commissioners* — Mrs. H. Smith, Drung; Mrs. D. C. Cooper, Middle Brighton; Mrs. R. Cox, Chadstone; Mrs. A. E. Cooper, Sunbury; Mrs. B. Duigan, Woodend; Mrs. C. Howarth, Ringwood; Mrs. A. Mawson, Cohuna; Mrs. H. Moorehouse, Orbost; Mrs. J. A. Hutchinson, Kew; Mrs. T. Meadowcroft, Hurstbridge; Mrs. W. A. Smith, Epping; Mrs. F. J. Lahey, Koonung Heights; Mrs. A. H. Edwards, Bairnsdale; Mrs. L. A. Hall, Benalla; Mrs. E. Branwhite, Wodonga; Mrs. M. E. Kent, Ballarat Central; Mrs. A. Mir, Mirboo North; Mrs. P. S. Carey (Assistant) Bacchus Marsh; Mrs. L. Lardner, Ararat; Mrs. M. Erbs, Tanjil Valley; Mrs. M. Phillips, Berwick; Mrs. A. J. W. Fergie, Blackburn; Mrs. T. Ellett, Waaia; Mrs. N. Shellman (Extension), Bendigo; Mrs. C. H. Drew, South Barwon; Mrs. I. Dix, West Brunswick; Mrs. A. W. Webb, Trafalgar; Mrs. J. F. Bowe, Drouin.

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## CORRECTION:

Mrs. A. M. Wilkinson is warranted as Brown Owl of 3rd Ballarat Pack. We regret that this was wrongly listed as cancelled in October "Matilda."

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*Thanks Badge* to Mr. P. Bird, Williamstown.

Let me grow lovely, growing old —  
So many fine things do.

Laces and ivory, and gold and silks  
Need not be new.

And there is healing in old trees,  
Old streets a glamour hold.

Why may not I as well as these  
Grow lovely growing old?

—K. W. Baker.

# EQUIPMENT DEPARTMENT

Open week days, 9.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.; Saturdays, 9.5 a.m. to 12 noon (holiday weekends excepted).

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LET'S MAKE SOME NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS!

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4. I must always add postage to all Cash Orders (balance, if any, will be returned).
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6. I must enclose name and address of sender with all goods returned, also the name of the Company, Pack or Local Association to which the said goods had been charged.
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Galah	Pink & Grey
Heath	Red & Green
Heather	Purple & Green
Holly	Red & Green
Hyacinth	Pink & Green
Kangaroo	Grey & Brown
Kingfisher	Blue & Brown—Blue & Grey
Koala	Grey & White
Kookaburra	Brown & White
Magpie	Black & White
Orchid	Purple & Green
Pelican	Pink & White
Pimpernel	Red & White
Pine	Brown & Green
Platypus	Brown & Grey
Poppy	Red & Green or Red & Black
Robin	Red & Black

EMBLEMS, 2/-	KNOTS, 8d.
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Rosella	Red & Blue or Red & Green
Skylark	Yellow & Brown
Swallow	Blue & White
Thistle	Purple & Green
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Waratah	Red & Green
Wattle	Yellow & Green
Wild Rose	Pink & Green
Willow	Brown & Green

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A local philosopher suggests that it just doesn't pay to be in a rush all the time; you pass up a lot more than you ever catch up with.