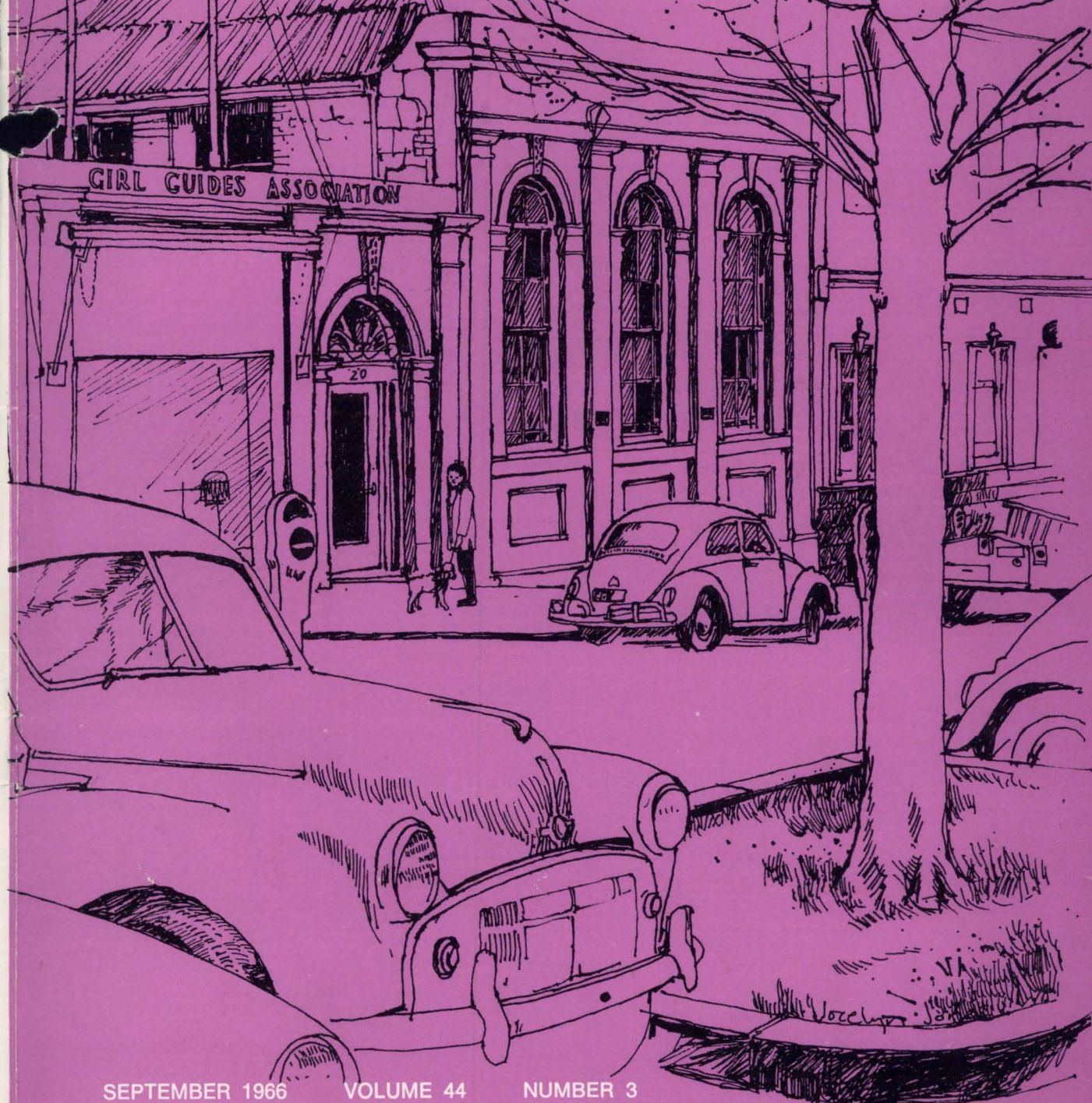


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SPECIAL DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Annual General Meeting

of the Girl Guides Association

DATE: Monday, 24th October, 1966

PLACE: St. Kilda Town Hall

TIME: 8 p.m.

SPEAKER:

Mr. Leslie Perrott, Jnr.

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BROWNIE and GUIDE TESTS in PAPUA and NEW GUINEA

The Tenderfoot is a bit shorter than it is in Australia.

Also the Second Class is divided into PATCHES. This encourages the girl — when she gets one section done she may wear a triangular patch on her sleeve. The First Class is the same as for Australia.

We are trying to bring the Brownie Tests gradually into line with Australia, but you will see several differences. The Golden Bar is in patches, and so is the Golden Ladder. The Recruit Test and Golden Bar Test are the same as in Australia — these Brownie-aged children are learning so fast at school now that they can do the same things as Australians.

However, in the Golden Ladder, we have alternatives for semaphore — tell the time. This is still difficult when there are no clocks or watches in villages and the Church bell is the only “clock”. Also, they write a “thank you” letter and address an envelope instead of doing up a parcel; also they may knit or weave a mat or embroider. In the Highlands they like to knit, as it is cold. Then they may clean shoes or a lamp or a pot.

The First Class is exactly the same as for Australia.

BROWNIE RECRUIT TEST (GOLDEN BADGE)—

Enrolment Badge Test

A Brownie must know and understand the—

1. Brownie Promise.
2. Brownie Law.

3. Brownie Motto.
4. Brownie Ring.
5. Brownie Salute.
6. Brownie Smile.
7. Good Turn.
8. Pow-Wow Ring.

She must be able to—

Fold her own tie, and tie it.

Plait.

Wash up the tea things.

Before being enrolled, the Brownie Recruit must be told the Brownie story and know something about Brownies in other countries.

GOLDEN BAR TEST

The test is divided into two sections — Health and Lend a Hand. On completion of each section the Brownie is awarded a coloured patch.

Health — Pale Blue Patch

1. Know how and why she should wash all over, keep her teeth clean, her nails cut and clean, why breathe through the nose and keep it clean.
2. Show that she understands the Rules of the Road. Take Brown Owl or Tawny Owl for a “Stop, Look and Listen” walk.
3. Pass two of the following clauses:—
 - (a) From a cross-legged sitting position with arms folded, stand up and sit down in good style three times.
 - (b) Without touching the ground with hands or feet cover a distance of

seven yards on two inverted flower-pots or tins.

- (c) Balancing a ball on a board about 8in. square held flat on the palm of the hand, walk with good posture round a figure of eight. Repeat, using the other hand.
- (d) While weaving her way through a straight line of five tins, not more than two feet apart, pat bounce a ball.
4. Skip 20 times without a break, turning the rope backwards.
5. Throw a ball against a wall from a point 10 feet away and catch it four times out of six; OR catch a ball thrown from a distance of six yards and return it to the sender, four times out of six.

Lend a Hand — Yellow Patch

1. Recognise the Australian Flag and the Union Jack.
2. Tie the following knots and know their uses — reef, sheetbend, round turn and two half-hitches.
3. Observe and describe something belonging to the outside world, chosen by herself, e.g., sky, sea, bird, tree, flower, animal, etc.; OR make a collection of six flowers, shells, etc., and name them.
4. Make a useful article to include a turned-down hem or oversewn edge and a decorative tacking stitch.
5. Show two methods of sewing on buttons and sew one button to a garment.
6. Lay a table for two for dinner.

GOLDEN LADDER TEST

(An optional stage to First Class)

The candidate must have passed the Second Class Test.

Green Patch

1. Fold clothes neatly, or roll a grass skirt.
2. Throw a ball overarm to land over a line seven yards away within two sidelines three yards apart.
3. Skip 30 times without a break, turning the rope backwards.
4. Carry a message of at least 12 words in her head for over five minutes, and deliver it correctly.

Red Patch

1. Know 15 letters of the alphabet in semaphore; send and read simple words; OR learn to tell the time by the clock.
2. Set a compass and know eight points.
3. Write a "thank you" letter. Address an envelope.
4. Knit a child's garment; OR weave a mat 12in. x 12in.; OR do a piece of embroidery.
5. Clean shoes OR a lamp OR a pot.

TENDERFOOT TEST

Before a Guide is enrolled she must pass the Tenderfoot Test. Uniform is worn for the first time at the enrolment.

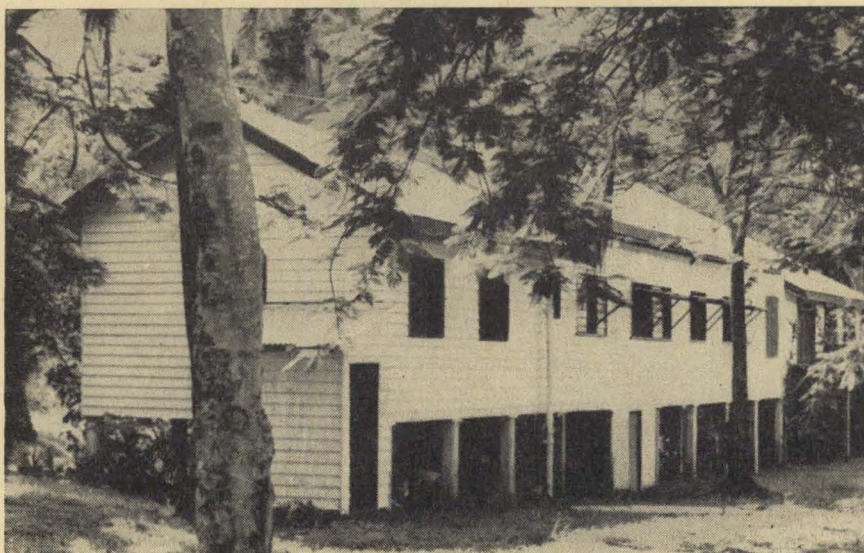
1. Attend Guide meetings regularly for at least six weeks.
2. Know and understand—
The Guide Promise.
The Guide Law.
The Guide Motto.
3. Know and understand the meaning of—
The Guide Salute.
The Guide Sign.
The Handshake.
The Good Turn.
4. Be able to fold a tie and tie it in a reef knot.
5. Know the whistle signals and the hand signals.
6. Recognise the Australian Flag. Know the reason for the Union Jack in one corner, the meaning of the Federal Star, and the name of the group of stars.
7. Know the meaning of the World Badge and the Guide Badge.
8. Know who Lord Baden-Powell was and when the Guide Movement first began.

THE SECOND CLASS TEST

Patches

The Second Class Badge may be done in five sections. As each section of the test is passed the Guide is awarded a coloured patch to wear on her sleeve.

When the Guide has passed the test for her five Patches and can show she is trying to keep the Promise and Law, she is awarded



The Training Centre at Port Moresby, Papua-New Guinea.

the Second Class Badge. It is placed above the left corner of the left pocket.

Patch 1, Yellow — Knots

1. Whip the end of a rope.
2. Using a packer's knot, or other slip knot, tie up a parcel; OR rope a bedding roll.
3. Put up a flagpole, using a clove hitch, round turn and two half-hitches, and a square lashing. Hoist Colours using a sheetbend knot.
4. Be able to tie and use the right way—Clove hitch.
Double overhand.

Patch 2, Blue — Health

1. Prove in one definite way she has tried to improve her own standard of fitness.
2. Cover a mile at Scout's pace showing good running and walking.
3. Strip and make a bed; OR in a village, show how to look after a sleeping mat.

Patch 3, Brown — Intelligence

1. Play Kim's Game.
2. Deliver a message correctly; OR give a message over a telephone.
3. Know the Traffic Rules and show that she is keeping them.

4. Know something of the History of the Guide Movement, and something about Lord and Lady Baden-Powell.

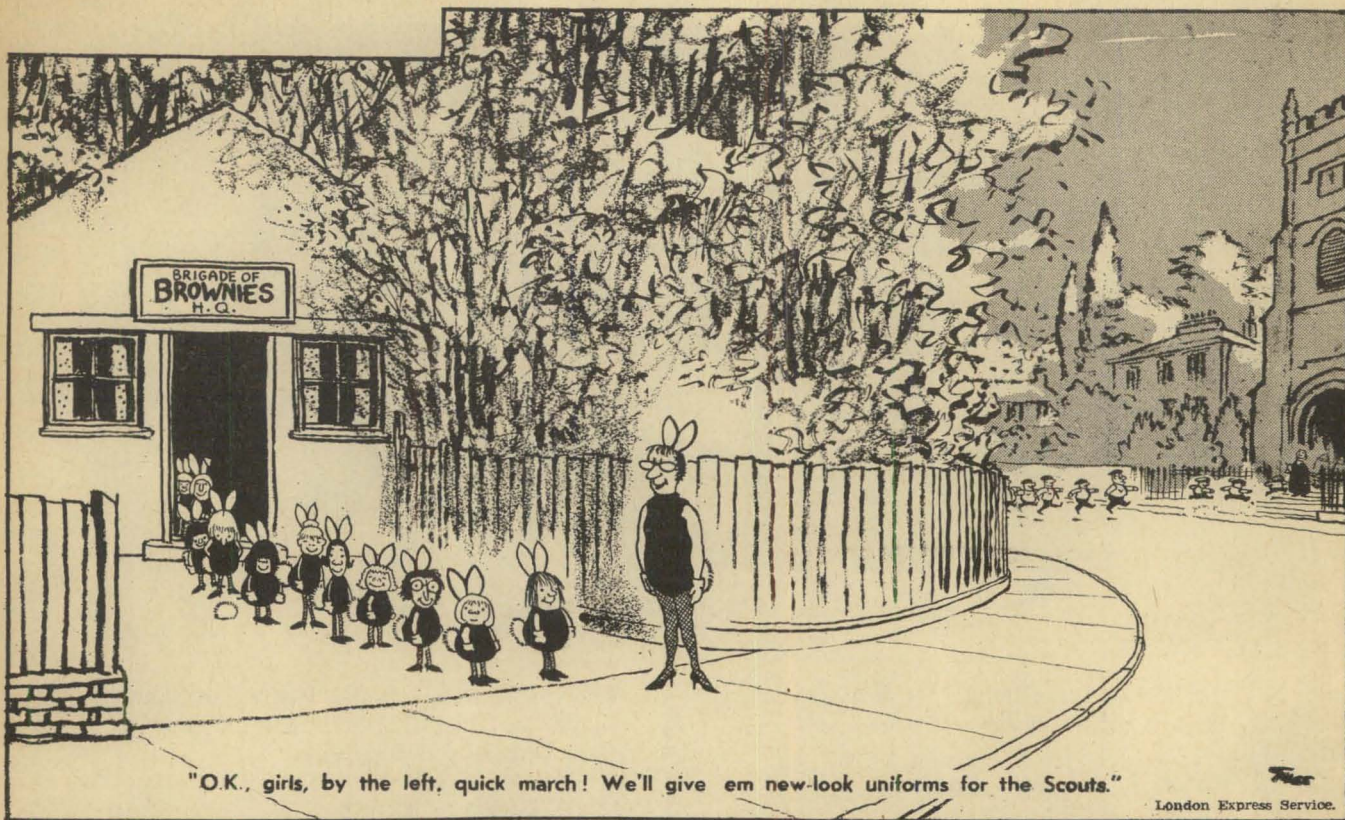
Patch 4, Green — Nature

1. RECOGNISE 12 of the following in their natural surroundings: Trees, flowers, birds, insects, stars, etc. (at least six to be of the same kind). DISCOVER through her own OBSERVATION something INTERESTING about each. OR stay still in the open for half an hour alone, making a note of all she sees, hears and smells.
2. Know the tracking signs and lay a trail with sticks, stones, leaves or grass, and be able to follow one laid by someone else.
3. Light a fire out of doors using not more than two matches; cook on it.
4. Stalk a person or animal for 15 minutes.

Patch 5, Red — First Aid

1. Show how to treat cuts, burns, shock and fainting.
2. Apply a large armsling and bandage a sprained ankle.
3. Know the prevention and treatment of snakebite.

—With thanks to Papua-New Guinea H.Q.



You will remember the discussions and reports in the newspapers recently about possible changes in Scout uniform. We thought you would enjoy this cartoon, which was printed in England in the "Sunday Express" when the debate was at its height, and now comes to us through our friends at the "Victorian Scout".

BAW BAW REGION CAMP

Our first Region Camp was held at Willowgrove on the Tanjil River — the closest part of our Region to Mt. Baw Baw — and attended by 330 campers representing every Guide Company in the Region. Among the staff were a number of Brownie Guiders, many Commissioners, and some wonderful Guide Mothers, who volunteered to Q.M. for their groups. After the first day the weather improved rapidly, and the Guides all enjoyed themselves within their own camps and at the combined campfires, etc. Several test camps were passed, and we feel there should be lots of camping in this Region in the future. Success of the camp lies in the help given by the organisers, testers, Guiders, the Guides who camped, and the parents and friends who helped with transport and visited us on Easter Sunday afternoon.

FROM THE STATE COMMISSIONER

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29th: The Advisers' Meeting, to which we welcomed Miss Norma Young as Extension Adviser. An extraordinary item was discussion of the programme for the Chief Guide's visit with Mrs. R. J. H. Risson, to whom we are grateful for agreeing to co-ordinate arrangements in this connection. It was a pleasure to welcome back to the group our Training Adviser, Mrs. Gregory, who was able to tell us of the conversation she and Mr. Gregory had with Lady Baden-Powell while in London.

What a lot of exciting happenings we can look forward to in 1967!

Joyce E. Price

FROM THE STATE COMMISSIONER

3rd: I said "Happy travelling" from all of us to Mrs. Renshaw-Jones, of our Executive Committee, as, with her husband, she set off around the world, bound, in particular, for Iceland, the country for which Mr. Renshaw-Jones is Consul in Victoria. We can look forward with interest to first-hand news of Guiding in Iceland and of the Guide contacts in other countries that Mrs. Renshaw-Jones plans to make.

4th: The Public Relations Adviser, Mrs. McKay, gave the State Commissioners and Senior Secretaries a valued opportunity to chat over lunch with her Committee members and our representatives on other organisations at the conclusion of their annual joint meeting.

This was followed by the State Council meeting, at which the matter of our Headquarters Building was of prime importance. The Council unanimously approved the recommendation of the Executive Committee — arrived at only after a number of consultations with architects and the careful consideration of their opinions to which I have referred over past months — that it would be to our overall benefit and future security to consider a scheme for rebuilding, preferably over the whole site, this to be done in stages according to our needs and resources and in order to eliminate the need for alternative temporary accommodation. This major decision in principle now having been made, we shall be able to press on with all possible speed with detailed planning, on the strength of the fund provided by the combined efforts of supporters outside and within the Movement that has made this thinking possible.

As a practical adjunct to this decision future efforts planned by Council members for the Building Fund were discussed.

We accepted, with selfish regret, the resignation of Miss Peg Wilson, one the Guiders' representatives on the Council, but added unselfish and sincere good wishes for her approaching marriage and the establishment of her future home in Denmark.

Of interest to members were Miss Lambe's report on the Australian Extension Training/Conference, Mrs. Barratt's account and vision for Guiding in the Inner Melbourne area,

and the reports from the three Branches on service projects carried out by Brownies, Guides and Seniors.

7th: Dr. Elwyn Morey, Professor of Education at Monash University, kindly supplied the fourth lecture in our series. It was followed by a vigorous and interesting discussion on various aspects of education for girls.

9th: The Silver Jubilee Annual Meeting of the Lones Local Association. I'm sure that they must have been conscious of the congratulations and good wishes of those of us who were unfortunately unable to be with them in person, as well as of those present.

10th: It was a privilege to join with the newly established Division of Manningham in their first Guides' Own at Holy Trinity Church, Doncaster. The excellent singing of their Guide Choir contributed to the inspiration and joy of a well-planned service.

13th: One of the glamorous annual events to which your State Commissioner is invited — the Lord Mayor's Ball.

14th: Dean Thomas was the speaker on the last night of our lecture series. Those of us fortunate enough to be able to attend valued the thinking of Mrs. Richards and her Committee in having in the Church, in the person of this eminent churchman, to finalise the wide range of subjects dealt with so interestingly and adequately by experts in their fields.

18th: Units from the surrounding area gathered to celebrate the 21st birthday of 2nd Oakleigh Company — a happy reunion for many of the foundation members, too.

19th: A pleasant break in the weekly meeting to have lunch with another group of New Commissioners, embarking on their initial training.

21st: An Executive meeting of particular importance, as it was the final opportunity for consideration of items for discussion at the Australian Council Meeting.

25th: Another glamorous occasion and an extremely happy one — the Senior Branch Ball. Congratulations to the Convener, Miss Barbara Huddle, and her Committee of S/B members on the successful outcome of all their detailed preparation — and congratulations to a charming group of debutantes.

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Senior Branch Service Project

On Friday, 13th May, 1966, Diana Ward (S.R.S. Quadrant), Marianne Tripp (Sale Land Rangers), Glenys Kennedy (S.R.S. Galatea), Paula Meredith (Stradbroke Cadets) and myself left Melbourne by air for the S/B Project in Papua, New Guinea, which was organised by Miss Nancy Kemp. Twenty-five Rangers and Cadets took part in the fourteen-day project. There were fifteen Australians and ten Territory Rangers.

The first week we gave our services to the Cheshire Home for Handicapped Children at Holola, Port Moresby. Divided into two groups, we alternated day about between sewing at the Rachel Cleland Guide House in Port Moresby, where we were staying, and working at the Home. We travelled the six miles to Hololu in a bus, taking with us our lunch and a large block of ice, which later served as our drinking water. At the Home we worked hard gardening, painting, washing, ironing and helping care for the nine children.

In the evenings we had a variety of activities. The Local Association of the Port Moresby Division and the Cheshire Homes Committee each gave a dinner with a native quartet providing music for singing and dancing. We were shown interesting and informative films of the Territory. One evening we were entertained at the Bank of New South Wales' Men's Mess, and on another occasion enjoyed a barbecue by the rocky seashore outside the Guide House. We had lots of fun among ourselves, too, learning native dances and songs. The weekend was spent in sight-seeing. A rubber plantation at Sogeri, 2,000 feet up in the Owen Stanley Ranges, the magnificent Rouna Falls and the Rouna Hydro-electric Power Station, and the Bomana War Memorial Cemetery—so wonderfully kept—were among the places visited.

Our second week in Papua took the form of an adventure trip. We travelled in uniform, carrying all our requirements in rucksacks. The first day we went by trawler to Hula, a native fishing village 100 miles down the coast east from Port Moresby. At Hula we had a native dinner with fish, tapioca,

rice, sweet potatoes, yams and bananas to eat, and then joined in a terrific camp fire with native singing and dancing. The Brownies, Guides and Rangers of Hula had made baskets, fans and mats from Pandanus palm leaves, and had collected cowrie and spider shells to give us. We were thrilled to receive these presents, and were sad when the following morning we left in a native sailing canoe for Kapopoko. On the way the Papuan Rangers showed us how to make balls and head dresses from the coconut palm leaves which decorated the sides of the canoe. At this village we played cricket and basketball with the children. The native women cooked crabs and yams for us to eat. We played "Shoo Fly" at the camp-fire that night and had a wonderful time.

From Kaparoko we walked through two native villages to Kenibolo, a distance of eleven miles. White people rarely travel through these villages so we were quite a "curiosity." The narrow, well-worn track led us through fairly open undulating country with high grass and broad-leaved trees on either side. We crossed over several high-banked creeks and noticed that in each case the vegetation on either side was quite thick with creepers and vines entangled in a dense undergrowth. There little sunlight penetrated.

At Kenibolo a truck took us to Rigo where we stayed the night at the Teacher's College before returning the next day to Port Moresby. That afternoon we were invited to Government House for afternoon tea. Lady Cleland told us of some of her experiences in the Territory, and we found these most interesting.

The remainder of our stay was spent shopping at the Guide Native Handicraft Shop, and the fascinating Chinese Shops in Port Moresby, or enjoying a last-minute swim before returning home. We had a marvellous time, and for many years we will look back on this happy and successful project during which we met such interesting and friendly people, and gained so many unusual and memorable experiences.

JENNY TREWHELLA
(Boroondara Cadets)

ALL-AUSTRALIA EXTENSION GUIDERS' CONFERENCE



"Kindilan" at Redland Bay, Queensland, was an ideal setting for the Australian Extension Conference attended by international delegates from Canada, India and New Zealand, as well as a representation from each State, including nine from Victoria.

The Chief Commissioner for Australia, Mrs. M. A. Buntine, was in attendance throughout the week, bringing a valuable contribution both by her wise counselling as well as by her friendly association with delegates.

The Australian Extension Adviser, Miss M. Lambe, ably planned and directed the Conference and training sessions.

Guest speakers included Dr. I. Meddleton, from the School for the Sub-normal; Dr. J. Meyers, of the Queensland Rehabilitation Centre; Mrs. S. Philcox, who is Director of the Occupational Therapy School; and Dr. Brown, who represented the Paraplegics' Association.

The programme included book discussions, training sessions, and discussions on problems affecting all types of handicap as well as those affecting specific disabilities.

One day was taken off the tightly packed programme to enjoy a tour to the South Coast of Queensland. On another day a demonstration of wheelchair sports was given by members of the Paraplegics' Association, who were preparing for their Olympic Games.

Evening activities included campfires, a Guiders' Own, and a special feature of slides, music and readings to depict the Conference theme, "Opportunities Through Guiding".

The success and pleasure of the Conference was due to the well-planned organisation, the fact that every delegate in some way contributed by her active participation, and the wonderful hospitality by the hostess State of Queensland.

—E. M. Hansen.

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EXTRACTS FROM A PERSONAL LETTER FROM AMERICA

"Just received our report of our annual cookie sale. Cadettes, Juniors and Seniors in the Milwaukee area sold 644,515 boxes of cookies—with a net profit of \$130,160.11, which goes into our camp operating fund. Our slogan is 'We camp on cookies', and we surely do."

"Our State of Wisconsin has an annual State Fair each August—which is planned to attract urban as well as rural people. There are exhibits and judging of flowers, farm animals, crafts, home making articles, etc., many demonstrations and displays, besides the fun, entertaining types of things. In conjunction with this fair, which lasts ten days, there is the Junior State Fair, planned by and for the 4H Clubs, Future Farmers, Future Homemakers, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts (all high school age groups).

"I will be staying at the Fair with six Senior Scouts who will act as hostesses—helping wherever needed—in dormitory, registration desk, errands, etc. We will also have six Scouts to work in our Girl Scout booth each day. We will all live in the dormitory, which has 2,500 cots. These are taken by other youth groups, too, who are exhibiting at the Fair. These youths have received premiums at their County Fairs, so are exhibiting or giving demonstrations at this State Fair. This Fair attracts thousands and thousands of people every day, so it really is a wonderful opportunity to tell the story of Girl Scouting—we must be in full uniform all day.

"Last year (my first year) I was concerned about the possible behaviour at night in a dormitory as large as this. But I was really surprised. All had to check in at 10.30, lights flicked at 10.50 and lights were out at 11 p.m., and there wasn't a peep—all was still!"

—E. S.

GUIDES' OWN-COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE, 1966

Throughout the weekend we have been discussing various aspects of climbing our particular Guide mountain. At this Guides' Own, remembering that we are linked together by a personal promise, let us take a look at ourselves, the climbers:

1. We are bound by a common purpose — we want to climb and, what's more, we have chosen to tackle the same peak: that of influencing other lives, particularly young lives, directly or indirectly, to follow a pattern of living based on our Promise and Law. We have all accepted the same challenge, and accepted it voluntarily — or, at least, allowed ourselves to be pressed!
2. We know that we must prepare carefully if we are to achieve success. First, we must be fit. Would anyone suggest that a Commissioner does not require stamina? We need to have the inner strength that perseverance demands. Would anyone suggest that a Commissioner does not require the capacity to keep on keeping on? We must undergo training, so that we know how to cope with our mountain, with the obstacles that we may encounter, and must know how to conserve our strength. We must see to our equipment: if it is new, make sure that it fits comfortably — a very individual matter; if old, see where it needs attention, because it will always need brushing up.

We will need boots to give us a good grip — to keep us down to earth. We will need comfortable protective clothing suitable to our activity. Will anyone suggest that a Commissioner does not need a thick skin? A good strong rope, to hold the team together, for this is very much a team game, where each member must have a right assessment of her fellow-climbers, must have confidence in their ability and in them as people. We must be able to count on their reactions under stress. There must be happiness in the joint venture as well as an appreciation of each other.

We who climb this mountain need a good dose of common sense. We need patience to wait for the right moment for each stage of the ascent. We need keen powers of

observation to enable us to recognise that right moment and to notice those small foot and hand holds that we can use as an opportunity to press upwards.

We need courage — the sort that never lets one give up, that finds an alternative route when faced with the impossible, the strength of character that accepts disappointment without being dis-spirited and uses it as a spur to further endeavour.

We need the quality of endurance — the willpower to keep looking upward — and we must always be aware of the nature of the mountain we've chosen to climb.

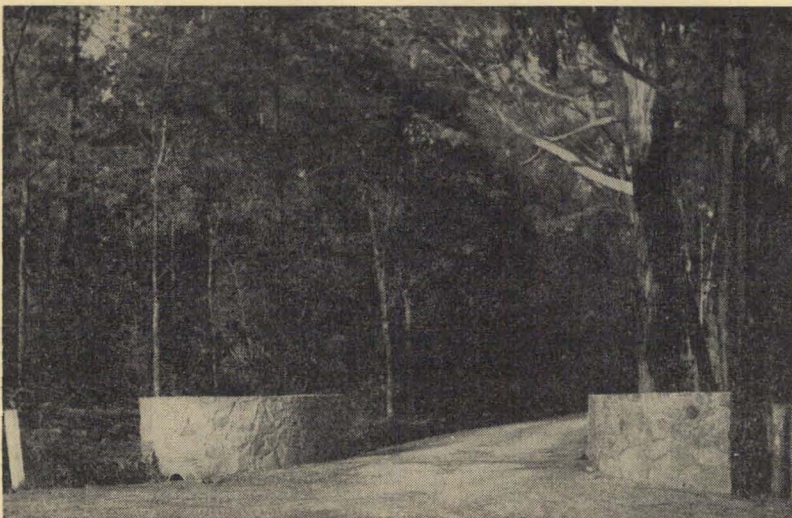
Is this all too much to expect of women for whom climbing is only one of the many activities in their life? Not at all. If they belong to their mountain, for their strength comes from the source that is its very core — from a living, personal link with God that results in understanding, love of and desire to serve.

We remember the prayer — a Guide prayer — which asks that we may be "humble and friendly, eager for adventure, alert and prepared for service." We ask "for courage to dare to do right, to be strong to fight and steadfast to endure. . . ."

In January I had the opportunity to tell the diplom'd trainers that I felt strongly that their job needed the wisdom of Solomon, and I believe you would all agree that the Commissioner's job does no less. And we, too, need to look to the source of strength to which Solomon was pleased to go if we are to achieve the example and influence we desire, and to go on doing so under the pressures of time, of tiredness, of staleness, perhaps of personality clashes, never having a last straw, only a next to last.

When Solomon was about to succeed to the throne of his father, David, as ruler of Israel and Judah, he first acknowledged the enormous amount of his responsibilities. He approached his job with deep and sincere humility and asked God for strength to carry it out. His request was for an understanding heart. God was so pleased that he did not ask for personal power or possessions that He granted the supreme gift of wisdom and understanding, and although the historian, in describing Solomon's kingdom, lists

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BRITANNIA PARK

New Belt Badge

Members of the Movement staying overnight at Britannia Park will now be able to purchase a new Badge. This is the Britannia Park Badge, which replaces the Guide House Badge. We have had many requests for a coloured Badge, and we hope that this one will meet with the approval of most of our members. Being coloured, it is costing us more to produce, and the charge for it will be 35 cents.

L.A. Members

You are cordially invited to an L.A. Open Day at Britannia Park on Tuesday, 4th October, from 10.30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Our Committee looks forward to meeting you all on that day and to showing you the houses and the campsites. They will give you all a cup of tea when you arrive and also one with your lunch. Many of you have been there for a day to work, but this time we want you to give us the opportunity to thank you and to help you enjoy your day. So just bring your lunch. Imagine it, Spring at Britannia Park!

Lost Property

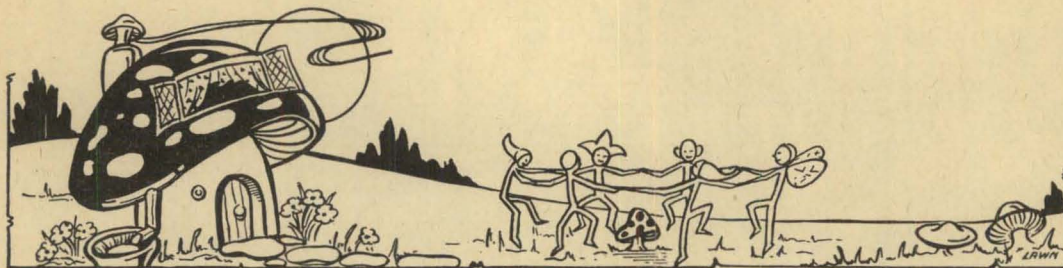
Naturally, from time to time, things are left either at Guide House or Brownie Cottage. As they are found these things are brought down to H.Q., where we hope they will be claimed. If this does not happen within a reasonable time they are given to

charity. At present the following things are at H.Q. awaiting owners:—

- 1 Guide Beret.
- 1 Guide Beret marked "Janet Wynd".
- 1 pair spectacles.
- 1 grey plastic torch.
- 1 grey mackintosh.
- White plastic marked "Whimpey".
- 1 face washer.
- 1 Brownie haversack marked "J. Nicholls".
- 1 Guide belt.
- Gumboots marked "Leonie Barker".
- 1 dark grey nylon raincoat.
- 1 blue towel marked "Pidwell".
- 1 damask serviette.
- 1 camp hat with many badges on it.

Maintenance Fund

- 1st—7th Malvern Pack.
- 2nd—2nd Cheltenham Coy.
- 3rd—3rd Cheltenham Coy.
- 4th—4th Cheltenham Coy.
- 5th—Mrs. J. O. Tait.
- 7th—1st Gardiner Coy.
- 8th—1st Surrey Hills Coy.
- 10th—3rd Cheltenham Pack.
- 11th—Bright L.A.
- 13th—Mentone-Parkdale District.
- 15th—2nd Mount Waverley Pack.
- 20th—Miss A. Cockerell.
- 27th—Mrs. G. E. Noble.
- Also omitted from last month's report:
- 29th June—1st Mitcham Pack.



TAWNY'S WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Wednesday night is Brownie night.
 Oh, my gosh, but what a fright,
 It's, "Mum, where's this?" and, "Mum,
 where's that?"
 "Oh, Mummy, where IS my Brownie hat?"
 I'm running here and running there,
 There really is no time to spare.
 I'm falling over the poor old cat
 Trying to find that Brownie hat.
 "Have you seen my socks and tie?"
 Is my daughter's usual cry.
 "Here's your shilling, shiny and bright;
 Did you remember to clean your Sprite?"
 Now two little Brownies are sent off packing,
 It really is time that Mum got cracking.
 Here are my shoes, my skirt, my hat,
 I'm really glad I put out the cat.
 Now I'm ready—and I'm right
 For our Brownie Wednesday night.

—Written by Tawny Owl,
 2nd Morwell East Pack.

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GOODNIGHT SONG

The Brownies of the 5th Pack
 Are going home to Mother.
 We have had a good day,
 Helping one another.
 We have tried so hard to keep
 Our Brownie Law and Promise.
 We have passed some Brownie Tests,
 But now it's time for rest.
 We say good night to Brown Owl,
 And can't forget our Tawnies.
 We say good night to all friends,
 And sleep in peace till morning.
 (To the tune of "Po-Kari-Kari-Ana")

—Written by Kaylee Welsh,
 5th Portland Brownie Pack.

LATROBE DIVISION BROWNIES

Brownie Cartoon Revels were celebrated in Apex Park, Moe, and about 160 Brownies from Latrobe Division attended.

Our Division Commissioner and all Brownie Guiders helped the Brownies entertain their special guests for the afternoon.

Brownies were pleased to meet our Division Commissioner, who talked to them about their part in belonging to the world-wide Guide Movement.

Games were played in Cartoon houses, and then parents and Brownies had afternoon tea under the lovely shady trees.

An afternoon of fun and adventure in meeting with other Brownies ended with one big Brownie Ring, conducted by the Chief Brown Owl for the day. A special person taking part was our Region Commissioner.

After Brownie Bells the Brownies found tiny gifts under the Toadstool, and so a very happy afternoon ended with all the Brownies waiting for another Revels — it was such fun!

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Moe District Brownies rode on their own Brownie float in the Moe Nyaalinga Procession. A Brownie friend helped Brown Owls and Tawny Owls make a lovely big brown owl — he was bigger than the tallest Brownie, and he sat in the middle of the float. The Brownies held gold and brown streamers and waved to the crowds in the street. Two Brownies semaphored the word BROWNIES as the float moved along, and Moe was very proud of its Brownie Packs.

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1st Moe Pack has just welcomed a new Brownie from 162nd Glasgow Pack, and we are all so happy to have a Brownie come from a Pack on the other side of the world to be one of our very own Pack.

NOW WE ARE ONE

2nd Ferny Creek Brownie Pack celebrated its first birthday recently. To help us enjoy this very proud and happy occasion we invited our sister Pack, 1st Ferny Creek, to join us, together with our District Commissioner.

We started off with an enormous Brownie Ring. I am sure all of us really felt like the little people whose names we have borrowed as we danced around a REAL red toadstool, with white spots, abundant in our hills at present.

Then the Brownies were ready to make up their own salads into interesting pictures. Such artistry? And who knows how much really went on the plates? After the salads were admired they just couldn't wait to eat them.

Next came the goodies and a large birthday cake decorated by Brown Owl. As our one candle was blown out we were presented with a lovely parcel from 1st Pack. This contained sewing requisites, which we greatly appreciated, as they were much needed in our Pack.

After everyone declared they could eat no more, each Six embarked on a treasure hunt. Excitement ran high as they raced about — the treasure was Twisties for all.

Some of the Brownies had to catch a bus, so Brownie Bells brought our happy day to an end, with "thank yous" all round. For others there were folk songs with Brown Owl accompanying on the guitar. During the festivities our first Sixers were awarded their stripes and Golden Bar.

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A BROWNIE TRUE

When you see a Brownie walking down the street,

You will notice that her uniform is very clean and neat.

No doubt she has passed inspection
And in her Six corner has stood to attention.
She will know her Promise, Motto and Law,
The Salute, the Smile and many things more.
So if you see a Brownie True
You'll wish you were a Brownie, too.

—By Janet Pett,
2nd Belmont Brownie Pack.

"SANGAM" — ASIAN WORLD CENTRE



Through the generosity of North-Western Woollen Mills, Stawell, "Sangam" is to receive 100 single-bed blankets.

Because of the difficulties with which Mrs. Mazumdar, National Guide Commissioner for India and a Committee Member of the World Association, was faced in equipping "Sangam", particularly with blankets — wool in India being very scarce and expensive — she made a special appeal through our Chief Commissioner in the hope that an Australian firm of blanket manufacturers might be willing to help in this special cause.

North-Western Woollen Mills responded magnificently to this appeal, and we know that all State Guide Associations would wish to join with Victoria in conveying to this firm very real and deep gratitude for their generous donation to our new World Centre, where we know that many true friendships will be cemented through the International gatherings which will be held there in the years to come.

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I sought my soul. My soul I could not see.
I sought my God. My God eluded me.
I sought my brother. And I found all three.

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Do you ever stop to think?
Don't you ever think to stop?



A WILDFLOWER BOUQUET FROM DIMBOOLA

Lesley Reid 1924

Heathy Parrot pea.
(*Dillwynia ericifolia*)

Nodding Greenhood Orchid.
(*Pterostylis nutans*)

Large Donkey Orchid
(*Diuris longifolia*)

Travellers' Joy
(*Clematis aristata*)

Austral Bluebell
(*Wahlenbergia gracilis*)

Native Fuchsia
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—With thanks to Mrs. Lesley Reid,
of Dimboola.

TRAINING PAGES



ON BUILDING CHARACTER

The term "character" applies in common usage to the distinctive array of qualities setting off one individual from all others. The word comes from the Greek, meaning "a distinguishing mark, impression, engraving". It signifies what nature and our training and our habits and our thoughts have made us. When we say that a person has "character" we pay him a compliment.

Some people say that knowledge is power. It is more correct in this vigorous and complex age to say that character is power. Mind without heart, intelligence without conduct, cleverness without goodness: all these have dangerous flaws.

The development of character has not kept pace with the advancement of science and technology. Human impulses have remained becalmed and almost changeless while the physical surroundings of human beings have been transformed.

Some people have a false idea of character. They think of it as being like the angels and cherubs of a great painter like Fra Angelico, portraying goodness without personality. But the person of noble character has validity and actuality; he knows that he is filling a vital need and meeting his obligations to himself and to society.

We see people of character in our everyday lives, among teachers and students, among foremen and workmen, among neighbours, friends and family. They give an impression of completeness, poise and sincerity.

The person of character endeavours to be really what he wishes to appear. Character deals with substance, not show. It is complexion, not cosmetic.

The person of weak character is like a chameleon; he takes on the colour of his surroundings. He may not offend profoundly against social laws, but drift serenely because he is making for nowhere.

The person of sturdy character has a good sense of proportion. Such a character cannot be manufactured overnight. It is built over a period out of material of two sorts:

the solid kind, supplied by observation, reasoning and study; and the lively and livening kind brought by the imagination.

Character, as Goethe put it once for all, grows only in the stream of the world. Everyone has a basic and urgent need for self-realisation and satisfaction, but he cannot attain these in a vacuum. We are not only individuals, but units in society.

A person of good character does not try to evade his duties to society, nor does he allow himself to become negligent of them.

The man of character knows that his greatest significance must consist in his contribution to the lives of others. The more complex, the more highly organised our society becomes the more it requires competent, self-respecting, well-rounded individuals to make it work.

What are some of the features that mark a person of first-rate character? Possibly most important is that he has learned the facts of life philosophically. The habit of his mind is to refer to standards. He discriminates between the good and the shoddy.

Part of character is to recognise the imperative nature of duty. Complete freedom to follow every impulse would dissolve character, but inner discipline builds it.

The person of good character is broad-minded and tolerant. Great-mindedness is the ornament of all the other virtues. Through it a man reflects the sensitive spirit that is death to the immaturity of prejudice.

What is broadmindedness? It is looking at ideas and facts from all sides, comparing statements, reports and beliefs honestly and eagerly. When Charles Darwin came upon data unfavourable to a theory he was considering he hastily made a note of them, because he knew they had a way of slipping out of memory a little more readily than welcome facts.

As to tolerance, a writer tells about attending a dance in a country where there had been a revolution. The lights were turned out during the playing of the new Republican

anthem, because, as one leader said, "This is a social affair and we don't want to see who won't stand up."

We cannot make up our minds intelligently if we judge by single facts wrenched from their context in a man's or a nation's life. Whence came the facts? Have they undoubted validity? Have you tested them against the common sense of your own experience and your knowledge of things in general? Have you considered in a kindly way, as Alan said in Robert Louis Stevenson's "Kidnapped": "Them that have nae dipped their hands in any little difficulty should be very mindful of the case of them that have."

If we analyse what we know of the person who has an admirable character, we shall find one of the ingredients to be self-forgetfulness. He is thoughtful of others. He respects other people as persons. He considers not only wherein a friend or an employee has fallen short, but also what that person has positively achieved or endeavoured.

Gentleness is combined with strength and authority in the person of excellent character. Great-minded men are not high and mighty toward people of humble stations. There are many tests by which a gentleman may be known, but there is one that never fails: how does he exercise power over those who are subordinate to him?

This gentleness is in the vast field of conduct quite outside legal commandments and regulations. It is an area well known to the person of good character, but largely unexplored by others. The person of sound character has not only talent, but the power to make his talent trusted.

Trustworthiness is a vital factor in character. The man of character is not constantly reflecting whether he shall be honest or not; he is honest by habit and as a matter of course.

An integral part of dependability is modesty. The man of good character does not allow his head to be turned by the flourish of trumpets sounding his praise. He does not try to give all the answers or to speak as an authority on every topic. He knows that there is truth in Solomon's words: there is more hope for a fool than for a man wise in his own conceit.

But the man of character is not so humble as to be afraid to show his abilities. There is no worse crime against our human heritage than to waste our talents.

How are the principles and virtues coordinated to form character? It is motive that gives form and intensity to our efforts, and motive is the thought of a desirable end. It runs through our mixing with people and our solitary meditation, our dominance and our shyness, our conformity to conventions and our idiosyncrasies, our affection for things that are good and our ruthlessness against things that are bad.

The habit that results from following our motives is not mere custom, but a way of willing, of deliberate choice. Self-respect, application, integrity — these are not beliefs, but habits. "Could the young," as William James wrote, "but realise how soon they will become mere walking bundles of habits, they would give more heed to their conduct while in the plastic state. We are spinning our own fates, good or evil, and never to be undone."

Character includes a kind of harmony, a sort of Golden Mean by practising which we keep our balance. The most profound need of personality is that the individual should realise himself as a harmonious whole, balancing his qualities and abilities so as to constitute, in the common phrase, "an all-round man".

Harmony should not be mistaken for a soothing, placid condition. Quite the contrary. It is the source of great energy, of active and meaningful participation in the world of reality. It is an attribute of maturity.

Some people are fatalists, and will seriously question the ability of a person to change his character in any way as a result of conscious effort. That is a doctrine of pessimism. Traits of character are not inherited solely, but are built within our environment.

The opportunity to blame heredity is congenial to persons who do not wish to change.

Some people fear to venture out into the broad life of maturity because they cannot tell, never having tried, whether they are sure-footed.

Intelligent people do not fancy themselves to be perfect, but they are not unduly

troubled by the fact that they are not. Perfection is a completion, without growth or expansion, whereas excellent character is the result of many recommencements.

To know where to start is an important part of learning, so it is worthwhile to take an inventory showing where we stand today. It is refreshing to step a little aside, out of the crowd, and calmly take a prospect of things: to give, as Edgar Guest said, "the man you'd like to be a look at the man you are."

The way to build character is not to loiter about old things, but to seek and do new things. Good character is not a dwelling upon past excellencies nor a yearning after things as we wish them to be, but an acceptance of things as they really are with a view to influencing them.

What is it that prevents a person of undoubted constructive and intellectual ability from attaining a life of character and accomplishment? One of the most common causes of failure is this: he contents himself with being a Don Quixote in imagination, seeing visions and great causes, but he remains a Hamlet in achievement by debating and postponing.

Excellence of any sort is beyond the reach of indolence. A man must have the spunk and spine to put across his ideas. He needs, as General De Gaulle put it, "That sense of reality which guides audacity." The consciousness of power develops out of effort and the encountering of difficulty.

Character is not built by storing up abilities and virtues as we might store bonds and stock certificates in a safety deposit box. We must reach outward.

Persistence in trying is more likely to win out than sitting around waiting for the lightning of inspiration to strike.

We need zest in living. The man of sound character finds his days far from tedious. He approaches new phases of life eagerly, welcomes experience, tempts life to give him as much as he can bear. He has no time for gloom. To build character requires courage and endurance.

There are various types of courage, and all are part and parcel of character. The wrestler who wipes the dust from his shoulders and grapples with his adversary; the man who has the courage to live his beliefs; the man who holds in face of every danger the post he has taken up because he is con-

vinced that it is right to do so: these typify the courage of the man of noble character.

What does the search for distinctive character hold out as a reward? To have a mind that rises above fortune's threats and promises; to be neither open-armed nor run-away in the face of danger; to be shaping your fortune instead of waiting for it; to pursue life with clean hands, spurning every opportunity to take advantage of someone else's sacrifice or loss.

—From the Royal Bank of Canada
Monthly Letter.

SALUTING

Do your Guides
salute like
this ~



~ this

or this ?



Number One's
Not how it's done—
An angled arm
Will never charm!

Number Two?
I hope not you!
Words must be said
Re that tilted head!

Ah, Number Three's
The one for me!
I like the stand
And Upright hand.

She's poised, and smart,
Proud to play her part
As a Guide.



TRAVEL IN SAFETY

4. Lighting on Vehicle, Vessel or Aircraft

Land

A private type motor car, when driven on a highway, must have the following lights (Fig. 1):—

- *Two headlamps.
- Two parking lamps.
- *One or two brake lamps. (One must be centre or right of centre).
- *One or two rear red lamps. (One must be centre or right of centre.)
- *White light to illuminate rear number plate (readable at 60 feet).
- A rear red reflector on each side.

*These must be lighted when the vehicle is driven between sunset and sunrise.

A stationary vehicle, between sunset and sunrise (unless less than 7ft. wide and clearly visible for 200 yards by street lighting) must have the following lighted lamps:

- One white light on each side of the front of the vehicle visible for 600 feet; or one white light to the right of centre of the front of the vehicle if parked near kerb.
- One red light in the centre or to the right of centre of rear of vehicle.

Sea

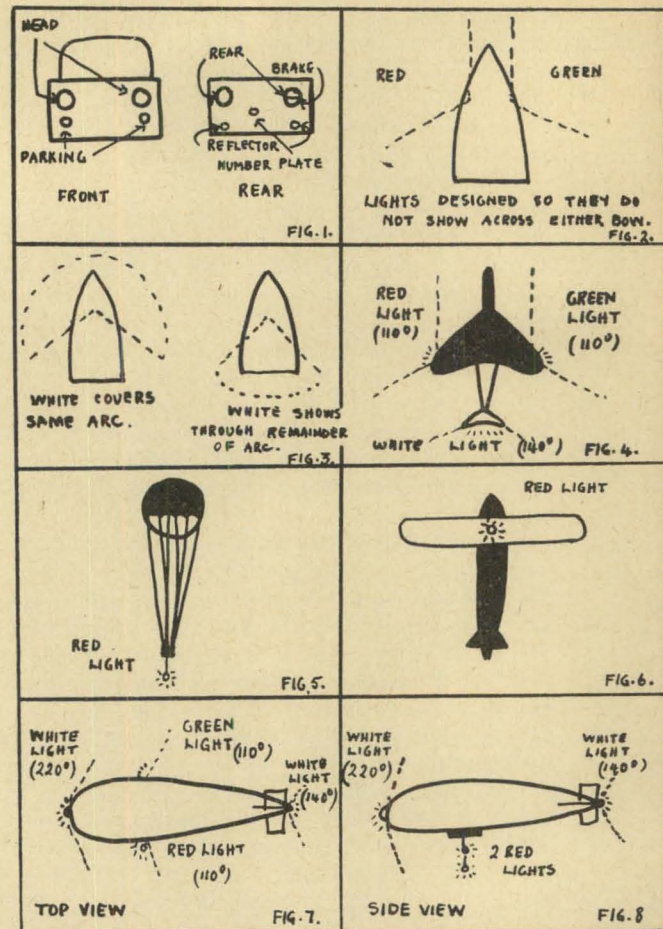
Lighting on a vessel enables us to identify at night—

- Type of vessel.
- Angle of approach.
- Crossing.
- Overtaking left or right.
- Dead ahead.

Coloured side lights cover an arc from dead ahead to 2 points abaft the starboard beam. The lights are designed so that they do not show across either bow (Fig. 2).

Forward white light: This covers the same arc as the coloured lights (Fig. 3).

Aft white light: This shows through the remainder of the arc (Fig. 3).



Air

The lights on conventional powered aircraft may be steady or flashing, but are usually flashing so that they stand out against the stars at night. Lights indicate not only the class of aircraft, but also which has the right of way (Fig. 4).

A balloon carries a red night 15 to 30 feet below the basket (Fig. 5).

Gliders carry the same lights as a powered aircraft, or alternatively a light as shown in Fig. 6.

Airships when under way show lights as in Fig. 7, and when stationary, Fig. 8.

—J.M.P.

MATILDA

GUIDE BRANCH

T from T and T*

Do you remember what that stands for?

KIM'S GAME

(With acknowledgement to "The Guide").

Have you read the account of Kim's Game in Rudyard Kipling's book?

If not, why not?

Kim could remember 14 out of the 15 jewels, but the Hindu child could describe each one in detail. Our test is to "describe", not just make a list by naming articles, which I fear is sometimes done. Kim's Game is excellent training in many ways, and most Guides can reach the required standard — 25 out of 30 — if they are prepared for it with plenty of practice in a variety of interesting ways.

Why is this worth the doing? Because it trains their powers of observation, leads them into the habit of noticing details, so each will grow to be the kind of person who can help where she sees help is needed, and will see how it can best be offered. Re-read *Scouting For Boys*: our Founder set great store on powers of careful observation. P. Sugden, writing in "The Guide", asks: "Could you at this moment give a detailed description of the contents of any box or drawer containing your possessions? It is very useful to be able to do this. My home was once burgled, and deciding just what was missing and describing the property to the police was extremely difficult. I thought I had done quite well until the property was recovered and I had returned to me things that I had never missed!" We do not want that particular thing to happen to ourselves or any of our Guides, but it is a thought on which to build a Patrol or Company challenge.

Here is a suggested list of graduated trials which you could run through with P.Ls. in half an hour of training and which will give them material for 10 minutes or so of patrol time for the following six or eight weeks.

Round the circle observation — an old Christmas card is good for this. Each in turn describes part, as it has two red bells. Next: the two red bells hang from a branch of holly, and so on until nobody can find anything to add. They will soon notice detail.

Try this one first with 12 varied articles, three rows of four, then later four rows, five rows, and so on. After studying the arrangement for a while, one turns her back while two are interchanged. Can she tell you what was done? Can all members of the Patrol know when two or three pairs are interchanged?

Variation on this is to replace several articles with something similar, e.g., a shilling with a 10 cent piece, a small blue button with a larger blue button, one red stamp with another, red but of different design. Do you see how detail is beginning to creep in?

Those working towards second class are now ready to try descriptions of articles which are of a type, starting with about 15, then next trying 20, and so working up to the required 30. For this can be used: buttons, handkerchiefs, samples of material, again old Christmas cards. Some Guiders I know have sets of coloured cardboard, cut into shapes, as squares, triangles, diamond shapes, etc. I feel these are of value somewhere along the practice line, but for the final test I would use something calling for more observation of pattern or detail. For a Guide who tries hard, but really does find this test very difficult, I would suggest the 30 articles in three groups, say, 10 buttons, 10 Christmas cards (a great standby) and 10 handkerchiefs. Even for this, a lot of practice is needed. Let the Guide say her description and have somebody standing by to set aside the article. To be asked to write the list is not only boring, but can be a real task for a young Guide not happy about spelling some of the words she wants to use.

—E.F.B.



SENIOR BRANCH CONFERENCE CAMP, 1966

Camberwell Land Ranger Company this year convened the Senior Branch Conference Camp at Aldersgate Methodist Fellowship Centre, Belgrave.

On Saturday, Rangers and Cadets were welcomed and then divided into groups for discussion. We decided that Guiding IS meeting the changing needs of society.

The Conference Camp was officially opened in the afternoon by Mrs. Rylah, Senior Branch Adviser, and the opening was followed by the presentation, by the Chief Commissioner of Police (Mr. Arnold), of seven Disaster Badges.

Later we discussed the Asian Friendship Scheme, fixtures for 1967 were decided on, and we voted for our representatives for the Central Committee. After tea a campfire was organised, very successfully, by Mrs. Walker.

Early on Sunday, Colours and prayers were led by the Sea Rangers. Each group then set out on a hike to anywhere they liked — a number of groups, taking various routes, reached Mt. Moreton, from which there is a picturesque view.

Back at camp we had a Mugwump Competition, and what a peculiar set of mugwumps they were!

Rangers' Own was followed by Question Box, in which questions concerning the Movement — rules, drill, dress, etc. — were fired thick and fast at Mrs. Rylah.

A short campfire followed some energetic folk dancing — we learnt many new songs, but also sang some old, familiar ones.

The last day began with further discussion among groups — "Do we expect too much of our Guiders?" The general opinion was in the negative — much to the relief of the Guiders present.

In the afternoon a full camp attended the closing ceremony. With about 100 Rangers and Cadets present it was a most impressive ending. Stress during the camp was laid on friendship, and in this, as in other respects, the camp was most successful. Everyone made new friends and renewed old acquaintances. It was an enjoyable and very happy camp.

—Elizabeth Mills.

PUBLICATIONS '66 "The First 50 Years"

With 15 photographs and a good index, this book is recommended to those working for First Class Knowledge of the Movement. It could, however, be read with enjoyment by all, and is definitely a book for the Company or District library.

Written by Alix Liddell, writer of many articles in "The Guide", and a daughter of Mrs. Mark Kerr, one of the pioneers of Guiding in Great Britain and the world, the book has understandably a strong international slant. Half of the 129 pages is included in the first part, entitled "The Seed Is Sown"; we read, often in personal accounts, of the pioneers, of the beginnings of Guiding in the many countries in which it started before 1914.

What fun and adventure it all was and how earnest were the early Guides, who, according to one account, "had few books or none, and we just carried on according to fancy" — until finally the various nations organised their Guiding and formed National Associations; and these in turn joined together to form the World Association.

All this is given to us, with tales of the activities of Guides during World Wars I and II, and the years between and since, culminating in the centenary year of 1957, and plan for the Golden Jubilee of 1960, when this book was written — tales to make us laugh, to make us proud.

The short sections make the book good for intermittent reading, but as Dame Leslie Whateley writes in the Foreword, "You will read it from cover to cover — be enthralled and amazed by the stories", until the final sentence throws the challenge to us all: "It is for the Guides and Brownies of today to make the history of the next 50 years".

"THE FIRST 50 YEARS", by Alix Liddell; price 95 cents from the Guide Shop.

—E.M.T.



If everyone swept outside his door, the village would be clean.

—Chinese proverb.



Be careful that the words you say
Are always soft and sweet.
You never know, from day to day,
Which ones you'll have to eat!

KNOW YOUR COMMITTEES



THE TRAINING COMMITTEE

The Brownie, Guide, Senior Branch and Camping Advisers are members of the Training Committee. Others, two of whom must be Diploma'd Guiders, are invited to join by the Training Adviser. The three Staff Trainers — Misses M. Watson, N. Sims and M. Mellor — are members, together with the Commissioner, who looks after Commissioner Training, Miss J. Parrott, Mrs. L. Sharp, Misses P. Barr, J. Thomas and Y. James. The Training Adviser — Mrs. R. E. Gregory — is Chairman, and the Secretary is Mrs. J. Grey.

The Committee must be aware of the changes and trends in the Brownie, Guide, Senior Branch and Camping programmes, and help all Trainers in Victoria to make the changes and interpret these trends to the Guiders they train. The annual Trainers' Weekend at Britannia Park helps with this, and Trainers are kept informed of changes as they take place.

At the monthly Committee meetings, reports, suggestions and requests are considered. These reports come from the Trainers, Advisers, Regions, Divisions, Districts, Correspondence Training Secretaries and individuals. A suggestion from the Victorian Trainers' Weekend has resulted in a detailed plan called "Content of Training Courses". This lists subjects which must, should or could be covered in the time (20 hours) needed to complete a pre-warrant or warranted Guider Training. This is not a rigid rule, but a guide for less experienced Trainers. The treatment of snakebite has been revised and the results published in "Matilda". The procedure for Correspondence Training has been altered and clarified. The use of slides for training purposes has been approved, but it takes time for new sets to be included, as they must be checked by the Diploma'd Guiders.

A great deal of thought and planning is being given to the building up of training teams within each Region. Guiders are encouraged to gain a training qualification so

that each Region may arrange its own training courses. Some may be ready to do this within the next year or so. Overall plans for training are made for the year. Headquarters' classes commence roughly at the beginning of the school terms. Residential weeks at Easter, October and January are arranged together with country weekends or mid-week sessions. The needs of new and experienced Guiders must be catered for and special trainings given as this need arises. Advanced training for possible Trainers is arranged from time to time. When possible Trainers work with qualified Trainers, who help and advise, if necessary, to bring the Guider to the standard required for a Training Certificate. When and where these tests are held, and the personnel to do the testing, is also planned by the Committee.

Requests for Trainers to train interstate and overseas or for Trainers from other States to visit are considered. At the Summer Training Week, 1965-66, we had a Brownie Trainer from Western Australia, a Guide Trainer from both South Australia and Queensland, and a Brownie Trainer who has accepted an assignment for two years in Papua/New Guinea. Diploma'd Guiders from all States and Papua/New Guinea came to the Australian Trainers' Conference at Britannia Park in January, 1966 — many of them had trained in other parts of the world at the request of the World Association. Reports and recommendations are sent to the Executive Committee each month and the minutes of the Committee are sent to the State Commissioner.

We have 43 qualified Trainers in Victoria, nine of these are Camping only. We are committed to arrange at least 24 Training courses at Headquarters and three training weeks a year. For this we need 32 Trainers. Each country weekend requires four Trainers. We aim to have several people doing a little instead of a few doing a lot.

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AROUND



AUSTRALIA



PINK HEATH, FLORAL EMBLEM OF VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA

PROCLAMATION

I, the Governor of the State of Victoria, in the Commonwealth of Australia, by and with the advice of the Executive Council of the said State, do by this my Proclamation declare that the Pink Form of the Common Heath, "*Epacris impressa* Labill", be adopted as the Floral Emblem for the State of Victoria.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State of Victoria aforesaid, at Melbourne, this eleventh day of November, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and fifty-eight, and in the seventh year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

(L.S.)

DALLAS BROOKS.

By His Excellency's Command,

HENRY E. BOLTE,

God Save the Queen!

Premier.

Note: This Proclamation was published in the Victoria Government Gazette, No. 98, dated 12th November, 1958.

DESCRIPTION

The Common Heath

The Common Heath, "*Epacris impressa* Labill.", was first found in Australia by the French explorer, Labillardiere, early in the year 1793, and was described by him in 1803 following his return to Paris.

It is a slender shrub, averaging 1 to 4 feet in height, with a few erect branches, and with flowers varying in colour from white, through pink to red. The leaves are pointed, oval in shape, and less than half an inch in length. The flowers are usually solitary on short stalks, frequently turning to one side.

In the State of Victoria the Common Heath is almost exclusively confined to the southern half of the State, where it is limited to the wetter foothill country, the coastal heath lands and the Little Desert scrub. In the higher rainfall area, it grows up to an elevation of about 2000 feet above sea-level, while in lower rainfall areas it may be found up to 3000 feet.

Although frequently found on flat but swampy ground, heath is absent from all the plain tracts of the State — the basalt plains of the Western District, the torrent gravels of Gippsland, and the level expanses north of the Great Dividing Range. It is particularly common in the Grampians, where it flowers late in the season.

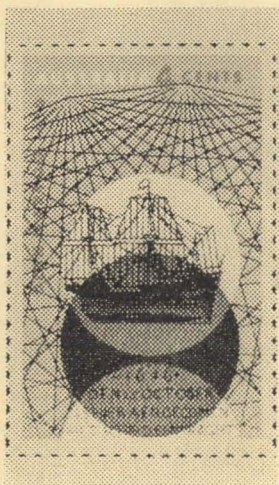
All colour forms are to be found in the lower, coastal areas; but the red form shows a preference for the well-drained slopes of the hills and mountains.

The Common Heath normally flowers from May through to November, although some flowers have been recorded as early as March.

With thanks to the Victorian Tourist Development Authority.

—Block by courtesy of Victorian Tourist Development Authority.





STAMPS

A new stamp to commemorate the 350th anniversary of the landing, on 26th October, 1616, at Shark Bay, W. Australia, by Dirk Hartog, a Dutch seaman, will be on sale at post offices on 24th October next. Of 4c value, it shows a Dutch ship of the period and part of the inscription on the pewter plate which Hartog fixed to a post on what is now called Dirk Hartog Island. Printed in four colours and the same size as the Churchill one, its issue date will coincide with the Philatelic Exhibition in Perth.

Post all parcels of good quality, sorted and soaked off stamps, to me at 12 Cowderoy Street, St. Kilda, S.2. All inferior quality stamps are not worth saving and cannot be sold.

Watch for the new Antarctic stamps, available only through the Philatelic Sales Section, on and after 28th September. Values are — 1, 2, 4, 7, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 50 cents and \$1.

—Lorna E. Cuzens,

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A HAPPY BROWNIE

A Brownie is a happy girl,
She does as she is told.
She makes her bed each morning,
And is never bad or bold.

A Brownie does kind deeds,
She always has a smile.
She likes to help the little ones
And do something worthwhile.

—By Jean Wilson (10),
5th Hawthorn Brownie Pack.

HE WALKED ACROSS AFRICA TO STUDY

A Malawi student at St. Catherine's College, Cambridge, celebrated his 28th birthday recently with the publication in England of his book* which describes how he walked 2400 miles to get a university education.

Mr. Legson Kayira relates how he set off to walk through Africa to work his way by ship to America: "I got my secondary school leaving certificate in Malawi, but there was no chance of going on to university in Africa at that time. I walked through Zambia, Tanzania, Uganda and the Sudan."

When he reached Khartoum he heard from one of the American colleges he had written to — the University of Washington, in Seattle — who paid his fare and offered him a place.

After graduating as a B.A. in political sciences from Washington, Mr. Kayira came to Cambridge to study English history for a year. This time his studies are being financed by the profit made from the publication in America of his book, "I Will Try", which has already sold over 10,000 copies there.

*Reviewed in Melbourne late July, 1966.

THE TRAINING COMMITTEE

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The Training Committee appears to be large, but we rarely have all members present. The Advisers are not always able to attend, and it is not always possible to plan the Staff Trainers' assignments to fit in with the meetings. It is necessary to have several expert opinions before making decisions regarding training.

The meetings are held at the home of the Training Adviser. The Committee members are most appreciative of the Adviser's husband, who often gets supper for them. He is a great help, like James, the husband, in "The Private Diary of a District Commissioner" (see "The Guider"). He says: "If I didn't get supper they would never go home."



INTERNATIONAL JOTTINGS

Regional P.L. Conference:

Mrs. Shirley Farrow, with Pat Stamp, Heather Bowe, Janet Cole, Trudy Monk and Robyn Riddett recently spent an enjoyable day at Colac, at the invitation of Mrs. Tait, Region Commissioner for Otway, and helped run a P.L.'s Conference. The girls passed on songs and dances they had learnt on their trips abroad, demonstrated new ideas for hike cooking, and Mrs. Farrow led a camp fire. Approximately 100 Guides attended and everyone thought it very worthwhile.

Commonwealth Circle in London:

Mrs. Wallis, of Surrey Hills, recently attended with Mrs. Fairbairn a meeting at the Clothworkers' Hall, and on talking to Lady B.-P. about previous visits to Australia she and B.-P. had made (the first in 1931), was told that Lady B.-P. is looking forward to her visit here next year. Lady B.-P. apparently has as much energy as ever!

Sangam Tea Party:

The High Commissioner for India in London has given permission for Her Excellency Madame Hansa Mehta and Lady B.-P. to receive guests at a tea party in India House on 6th September, in aid of Sangam. There will also be an exhibition of Indian treasures on display.

News from Norway:

Norway holds a service project each year—the Speiderjobben—whereby their Guides raise money for a good cause. In 1965 they raised, in one week, £16,600—£10,000 of this was their target to help refugees in Hong Kong, and the balance has been given to the World Association to assist new countries.

It was presented to the Director of the World Bureau by Anne Sofie Evensen, a young Norwegian Guide, and Miss Dreijer commented—"how graceful is man when truly man!"

Irene Fairbairn Fund:

This Fund began in 1955, with contributions from all States to honour Australia's first Chief Commissioner, Mrs. C. O. Fairbairn, O.B.E., and with the specific purpose of benefiting young members of the Guide Movement.

Mrs. Fairbairn is Chairman of Trustees, with a small committee, and it is at their discretion that awards are made—conditions in regard to age and qualifications are as wide as possible.

In recent years grants have been made to States, including Papua-New Guinea, for Guiders to attend the Pacific Trainers Gathering, and for P.L.'s to go to interstate camps. Funds now stand at nearly \$3,000, but bigger things can be contemplated, funds permitting!

SHIRLEY FARROW,

State International Representative.

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COMMONWEALTH NEWS

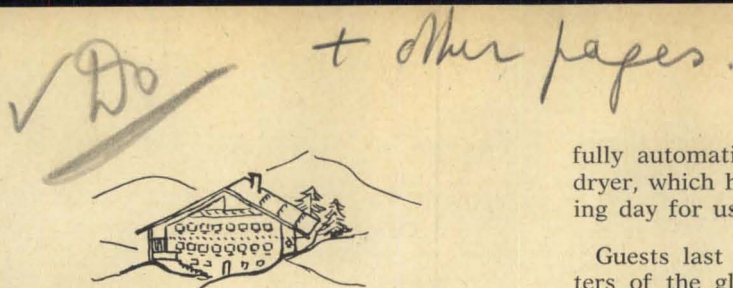
The 50th birthday of the Cadet Branch in Great Britain was marked in August by a service project week. 250 Cadets from all over the United Kingdom were in residence at the College of All Saints, Tottenham, which is a very modern and beautiful building. They hope to welcome Cadets and young Guiders from Portugal, France and Belgium, and one from Australia. During the week there were various Service and Study projects which each girl would undertake, and the week culminated in a service at midnight in the College Chapel.

Chief Commissioner

Mrs. Derek Parker Bowles has been appointed Chief Commissioner, and will take over from Miss Anstice Gibbs on 1st November.

New Guiders' Uniform

The blue and white checked blouse, cross-over ribbon replacing tie and blocked felt cap is proving best seller. The blue is a pale colour and the check is only noticeable when seen close to!



Dear Chalet Friend,

1966 is the 20th anniversary of the Friends of our Chalet. It was the Chief Guide's good idea to inaugurate Chalet Friends during the 1946 World Conference at Evian in France, and this year we are sending a letter to 789 Chalet Friends in 19 different countries. I wonder if we could not, between us, raise the total membership to over 1,000?

Chalet Friends are, of course, welcome here at any time, but it has been suggested that we might make certain dates available to you during the Winter season. In the hope that this may appeal we will keep places during the first two weeks of March, 1967. It would be good to know if a Winter holiday here is a possibility for you.

We had a very good Friends of our Chalet week last Summer at the end of June. At the end of the week we had a Fondue in Stockli for "Friends," finishing with a gay and very informal meeting at which many suggestions were made, one being how to help people to remember to pay their subscriptions!

Thank you all for your help which has enabled us to give the Squirrel House a fine new roof of wood shingles. It was fascinating to watch our neighbour, Gottfried Josi, and some of his family strip off the old shingles, which were very rotten—I cannot think how the old roof kept out as much rain as it did—and quickly replace them with new ones.

Roofing with shingles is skilled work and the number of craftsmen who can do it gets fewer, alas, every year. So many people have now tiled roofs—more lasting but not nearly so picturesque. During 1966 we shall continue, with your help, to improve the camp site. Friends in Great Britain have already sent us one new tent, and before the next camping season, which looks as if it will be a busy one, we must get a second tent, remake the fireplace and replace the rest of the pots and pans. We shall also probably be calling on your funds for a contribution towards the cost of the new

fully automatic washing machine, and spin dryer, which have completely changed washing day for us.

Guests last Summer came from all quarters of the globe. In the Juliette Low session we had girls from Madagascar, Haiti, Norway, Germany, Switzerland, New Zealand and the U.S.A. For two all too brief days we were joined by 19 Japanese, looking immaculate in their grey uniforms despite coming from a muddy camp in Sweden and a strenuous tour. Later three Liberians also came for a few days on their way home from the Swedish camp. The total number of guests during last year was 1,070 from 30 different countries.

The Music and Song Week was most interesting and great fun. Those attending agreed that it might well be repeated at some future date. We sang, played instruments, danced and learned how to conduct campfires, and on the last evening entertained the village Yodel Club, the Trachtverein (women's costume and dance club) and two alphorn blowers. A most successful evening and a grand finale to the week.

The Ranger Adventure Week was, as usual, a success, but maybe you could make these weeks better known. They are open to all girls—whatever their job in Guiding—between the ages of 16 and 21. No qualifications are needed except good health, Commissioner's permission, and the wish to take part in an international session with emphasis on the out of doors. We often have girls who have never been out of their own country before, and speak no language but their own. This does not seem to dampen their enthusiasm and it is a matter of pride in the patrols that somehow everyone understands. Another case of Chalet Desperanto?

There is so much more that I should enjoy telling you, but do come and see for yourselves. Remember that we need not only your financial help, useful though that is, but need your help and interest in spreading information about the Chalet and its possibilities for each generation of Guides and Girl Scouts.

With many greetings and every good wish from all of us at Our Chalet.

"PEN,"
Guider in Charge.



**A NOTIFICATION FROM OUR CHALET,
3715 ADELBODEN, SWITZERLAND
Summer, 1967, Periods for Booking**

May 13th-May 20th: Whitsun
May 23rd-June 1st: Friends of Our Chalet
June 4th-June 15th
June 18th-June 29th
July 2nd-July 12th
July 18th-August 8th: Juliette Low Session
July 19th-July 29th
July 30th-August 9th
August 13th-August 24th
August 27th-September 7th
September 10th-September 21st: Ranger Adventure Week
September 24th-October

Applications, to be made to the Guider-in-Charge of Our Chalet, can be considered from 1st October, 1966, and bookings can be made for part of a period but not in between one period and the next.

Winter Season, 1966-67

Our Chalet will be open from December 22nd, 1966, to March 11th, 1967, and from March 23rd to April 1st, Easter.

PLEASE NOTE that as an exception Our Chalet will be open from March 23rd to April 1st, for Winter sports, made possible by the early date of Easter in 1967.

1967 and 1968, 15th June to 31st August

For groups of 20 to 24 (preference will be given to the Senior Branch), additional simple accommodation will be available in a small house near Our Chalet: living-room, small kitchen (wood stove), dormitory with foam-rubber mattresses and blankets, leaders' room, outside sanitation. Cost 3.50 francs per head per night, to include: tourist tax, equipment, light and wood.

Catering and cooking will be the responsibility of groups.

✓ See a Vic Scout

LETTER TO "MATILDA"

Dear Matilda,

As a Senior Scout Leader my husband receives the "Victorian Scout" magazine. I find myself reaching for and reading it eagerly. "Matilda" I glance through then read from duty.

Obviously each magazine exists on a different budget. Is money the reason we are deprived of an eye-catching cover, pictures, sketches, etc.? If so, would it be worth raising the subscriptions to give them to us?

Or is there a deeper contrast? Have we Guiders become so self-satisfied, so sure of ourselves that we are content with a magazine of reports, complete with back patting, of rallies, coffee parties and fund raising? Perhaps that is a bit harsh; we do have our training pages, but we seldom become self critical, ask where Guiding is going, what is wrong with our unit, or organisation, or is it for the sake of the girl?

Could we start with a letters to the Editor section and find out if Guiders really are thinking? It's an idea, let's try it.

Yours faithfully,

COUNTRY GUIDER.

(Editor's Note: Well, ARE we thinking? Guiders . . . over to you!)

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AUSTRALIAN HIKING SONG

Words and Music by
E.H. LEADBEATER

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Melody Part mf
Harmony " mp *

1 When the Birds are calling by the blue la-agoon And the
2 When the Fish are biting in the big green pool And the

mf Con Pedale With expression

Breeze keeps whispering a haunting tune, When the Stars are winking at the bright new moon,
wa-ter beckoning so deep and cool, When you steal a-way to play the wag from school,

That's the time for Hi-king CHORUS see the baby magpies
That's the time for Hi-king. See the Willie Wagtail oh so gay -
That's the time for Hi-king. mp pp

black and grey. That's the time for Hi-king D. S.
When the Bush is calling all the live-long day, That's the time for Hi-king. Fine.
mf. rit a tempo

* Optional Harmony Part, to be hummed with lips closed, except where words are shown.

We are grateful to Mr. E. H. Leadbeater for his permission to reprint this song from his Book of Songs for Young Voices.



NOTICES

CAMP KATYRAMO

Guiders, has your Company chosen their representative yet to attend the State Camp—Camp Katyramo? We would remind you that applications close 30th September.

—B. D. McNally, Camping Secretary.

CAMPCRAFT TRAINING

Barwon Region have organised Campcraft Training, and trainings will be held at the Myers Street Guide Hall and at Tallawalla in September, October and November.

23rd September, 7.30 to 9.30 p.m., at Myers Street Hall, Geelong.

24th September, 2 to 5 p.m., meet at Myers Street Hall, Geelong.

8th to 9th October, arriving 10 a.m. at Tallawalla; Trainees only.

15th to 16th October, arriving 10 a.m. at Tallawalla; Trainees plus Q.M. plus eight Guides.

5th to 6th November, arriving 10 a.m. at Tallawalla; Trainees only.

11th November, 7.30 to 9.30 p.m., at the Myers Street Hall, Geelong.

Guider-in-Charge: Miss H. Carnegie.

Applications on the blue training form to the Camping Secretary, Mrs. B. D. McNally, Girl Guides Association, 20 Russell Street, Melbourne, by Monday, 12th September, 1966.

Fee for full series — \$10.50, or camp \$3.50 per head per camp; 20 cents per meeting at Hall. Fees (correct amount) payable first session, please.

Although this training is organised by Barwon Region, interested Guiders from other Regions may apply.

CAMPING DEPARTMENT

Camp First-Aid

Guiders wishing to do clause (iv) Health and First-Aid for their Camp Permit or Pack Holiday or the Camp First-Aid Certificate are asked to contact their Camp Advisers, as they have new forms for either of these tests, which will need to be taken by Guiders to the Tester.

—Lysbeth Turnbull,
State Camping Adviser.

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BONUS SHARE ISSUE

22nd October, 1966

ALL-AUSTRALIA GUIDE CAMP

An All-Australia Guide Camp will be held at "Kandilan", Queensland, from 13th to 20th May, 1967. Victoria has been allotted 75 places for Guides at this camp. Guides attending must be at least 13 years of age, be Second Class and have camped before.

Camp fee will be \$18 (this included transport from Brisbane to camp and excursions) PLUS fares Melbourne to Brisbane and return. (Concession fare approximately \$12 for Guides under 16, \$17 for Guides over 16 and still students.)

Preliminary application forms for SELECTION for this camp are available from Camping Secretary on receipt of a **stamped, addressed envelope**.

IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO LEAVE MELBOURNE FOR QUEENSLAND SEVEN OR EIGHT DAYS BEFORE THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS START. GUIDES WHO CANNOT GET THIS LEAVE CANNOT APPLY FOR THE CAMP.

Staff

A limited number of Staff will be required for the All-Australia Camp in Queensland. Guiders interested should send a **stamped, addressed envelope** for application form for SELECTION to attend this camp.

Camp fee will be \$9 PLUS fare Melbourne to Brisbane and return (concession fare approximately \$23).

—B. D. McNally, Camping Secretary.

CAMPING DEPARTMENT

A Pack Holiday Training has been arranged and will take place at the Blackburn Guide Hall, Central Road, Blackburn. The course will consist of four Thursday mornings from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, commencing on Thursday, 13th October, 1966.

Applications on blue training form and fee (50 cents) to be sent to Mrs. B. D. McNally, Camping Secretary, Girl Guides Association, 20 Russell Street, Melbourne.

NOTICES

The Annual Service for Jewish Guides and Brownies will be held at the Temple Beth Israel, Alma Road, St. Kilda, on Friday, 14th October, 1966, at 8 p.m.

—Nancy Kirsner,
Liaison Commissioner for Jewish Members.

HANDLIST OF THE BIRDS OF VICTORIA

By ROY WHEELER.

We have been advised that orders should be addressed to V.O.R.C. Publications, P.O. Box 75, Mentone, S.11, and not to the Fisheries and Wildlife Department, as shown in the last issue of "Matilda".

Camp Sheila Cameron Rowallan BOOKINGS NOW OPEN

Enquiries . . .

Mrs. P. Angel,
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Strathmore.
379 1286.

INTERNATIONAL JAMBOREE-ON-THE-AIR

Will be held during the weekend of 22nd to 23rd October, 1966.

Interested units are asked to get in touch with the Guide Liaison Officer, Mrs. R. Neilsen, 62 Valda Avenue, North Box Hill; phone, 89 4047.

TREFOIL GUILD ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, 8th October, 1966, at 3 p.m., in Fitzroy Guide Hall, Mark Street (between Falconer and Scotchmer Streets, North Fitzroy). Come at 2.30 p.m. and share in afternoon tea.

Bring a basket tea and stay and chat with your friends.

MEETING

Meeting of the Catholic Guiders' Council, Sunday, 2nd October, 2.30 p.m., at Guide H.Q., Russell Street. Everyone invited to attend.

EXECUTIVE NOTES FOR JULY, 1966

First item on the agenda for the July Executive meeting was the Annual Report of the Association. This indicates how early we must start preparations for the annual meeting—to allow time for all reports to be in, accounts finalised and audited, printing, checking, etc., etc.

Then there was discussion on the visit of the World Chief Guide, who is to be with us in May of next year. Here again preparations have to be made well in advance, both for our own arrangements and co-ordination with the Scout Movement, as well as fitting in with activities in other States which Lady B.-P. will be visiting.

Several items from the agenda of the Australian Council meeting came forward for further discussion that the Victorian delegation might be fully briefed on this State's viewpoint.

Another Australian item of interest was the appointment of Mrs. V. Gardner, of

Queensland, as the Australian Training Adviser. Mrs. Gardner will take over from Miss Broadhurst, of Victoria, next year.

Some arrangements were made for the continuing of the work of sections whilst the World Conference delegation is away, and Mrs. M. Gould will act as State International Representative whilst Mrs. Farrow is away.

Items of interest came to us from Sangam, where the work of construction of the new World Centre progresses steadily.

From reports of the sub-committees and branches much of interest was gleaned—and I am sure that many who contributed to the gift to be used at the discretion of our former State Commissioner and her assistants (Mrs. C. O. Fairbairn, Mrs. R. Orr and Mrs. S. McKay) would be interested to know that it is being used, as they wished, to help camping by erecting an equipment hut on land at Christmas Hills, which has been leased to the Association.

GUIDES' OWN—Continued from page 70

at great length all his possessions in person-
nel and goods, his many spheres of interest
and knowledge, yet it is emphasised that of
even greater importance to his kingship was
his "largeness of heart", his God-given wis-
dom and understanding.

It may interest you to know that the theme
of the World Conference, recommended by
Japan, is translated, "Love through knowing
and understanding". The secret of our
strength as climbers is the core of our Pro-
mise, love of God that is reflected in dedica-
tion to this our accepted job, that binds us
together as a team, that never lets us slip,
and that gives us the will to keep on press-
ing upwards until we reach our mountain
top.

And so when we arrive (as with each
achievement on the way) there is happiness
— happiness in the revelation of the wide
horizons spreading out before us, in the
sense of achievement and in the satisfac-
tion of working together, and a serenity and
inward peace that passes all understand-
ing. . . .

"Maker of mountains—

Creator of their beauty and their might,
I lift my small and human heart to
Thee . . .

. . . Let me go

Back to the lowlands, back to the crowded
days,

Poised and sustained, and ready for my
part,

Let me go back, schooled in the mountain
ways,

Bearing their old vast secrets in my heart."

—Talk given by Mrs. J. R. Price at the
1966 Commissioners' Conference.

(Quotation by Grace Noll Crowell,
from "Altars Under the Sky", pub-
lished by Abingdon Press, U.S.A.).

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A secondary school teacher recently al-
lowed his class to use dictionaries when
forming sentences with given words. One
of the words was "assent", and the teacher
was mystified to get back one pupil's sen-
tence: "We assented our enemies". The
teacher finally tracked things down. Among
the dictionary meanings of "assent" was
"concur".

CONGRATULATIONS

CONGRATULATIONS to the recipients of the following Awards:—

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CORRECTION — WARRANTS

It is regretted that, in the July issue of "Matilda", the name of Mrs. P. Patterson, of 1st Hallam Guide Company, appeared under Warrants Cancelled. This name should have appeared in the Warrants Issued section.

YOUR GUIDE SHOP suggests . . .

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CORRECTION!

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