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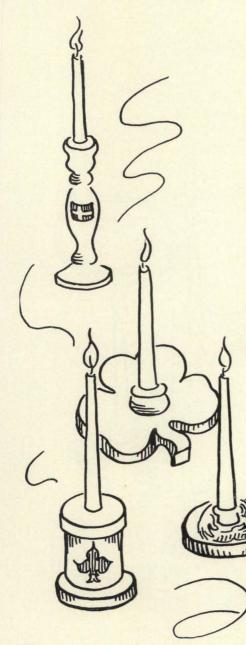
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Our very best wishes to you all for a Happy and Holy Christmas, and our grateful thanks for all your help and many kindnesses.

May the peace and joy of Christmas remain with you throughout the coming year.



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A well-worn path runs through our thoughts With lighted lamps along the way, That mark the memories we share Of many a happy bygone day.

> And now that Christmas time is here, Those lamps are shining bright With memories and thoughts of you Aglow with friendship's light.



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ASSISTANT STATE COMMISSIONER

It is with particular pleasure that I am able to announce that Miss Margaret Shaw has generously agreed to give me the great benefits of her very comprehensive knowledge and experience by accepting appointment as Assistant State Commissioner from 1st February, 1968.

Well known to you as our Editor of "Matilda", Miss Shaw is also the enthusiastic Chairman of the Victorian Work Party.

I am sure that you will all share my confidence in her ability to carry out the many duties of this office.

Miss Shaw joins me in sending warmest greetings for Christmas, and we both look forward to working with you from 1968.

Charlotte Renshaw Jones.



EXECUTIVE NOTES-OCTOBER, 1967

This Executive meeting dealt with much material from Australian H.Q.:--

Reports from the Australian Executive meeting.

Thinking on the Australian Development Committee, which it is hoped will give a lead on future development and planning for Guiding administration at a National level.

Discussion on events in the Three Year Plan—for Guide events are fitted into a plan three years ahead to allow for forward planning and to ensure that plans and types of events do not clash.

The question of help to other countries from Australian Guiding's considerable resources.

And in our own State the questions discussed were many and varied:---

Reports from Sub-committees – Property, New Commissioners, Uniform, Public Relations and International.

And from Camping, a survey on the needs of campers and what properties are available.

A Report from the Commissioners' Workshop held in September.

Thoughts regarding the Guide Display at the 1968 Royal Show.

Finance — with thoughts, of course, primarily of our new H.Q. building.

It was with appreciation too that we met in the Board Room of the Y.W.C.A., who kindly made the Room available to us during our enforced absence from our own H.Q.



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FROM THE STATE COMMISSIONER

We can rejoice together in this very GOOD NEWS—glad tidings indeed for Christmas that Her Majesty the Queen has extended the term of office of Sir Rohan Delacombe as Governor of Victoria for three years. This has the additional happy personal implication for us that we can look forward to having Lady Delacombe as our State President for this further period.

It's nice timing by "Matilda" that the report of the month of our central Annual Meetings appears in the final month of the calendar year. The months match too in busy-ness and special events.

1st.—October began for me with a visit to Colac to open their splendid Guide Hall, built on an excellent site, donated by the Council, at the entrance to their city. Both the achievement of the hall and the opening ceremony reflected the co-operation with our Guide folk by other organizations and the citizens generally, co-operation obviously given out of admiration for what the local representatives of our Association are doing for the girls of Colac and for their self-help in the attainment of their building. Delightful singing by a choir of Guides and Guiders was an appropriate and pleasant adjunct to the ceremony.

The month began with another important event for us all-the evacuation of 20 Russell Street, our central Guide home for the past 14 years. With all the sadness associated with this, we must regard it as the first step towards the achievement of our much-needed bigger and better Headquarters building. A diagram of the facâde appeared inside the front cover of the 1967 annual report (and in this issue of "Matilda"), on the outside of which was the photograph of the welcome to Australia of the World Chief Guide, our beloved leader who constantly urges us by her inimitable example and in words to look forward for the sake of our girls.

4th.—With our office and shop staff settled into Ball & Welch's building, we shall be beholden frequently in the next 10 months to the Y.W.C.A. Victoria for making meeting rooms available to us—as we were on this first occasion for the annual combined meeting of Region and Division Commissioners a happy and useful day together. 6th.—Absence from Melbourne prevented me from attending the Scout and Guide Pageant, the success of which will ensure, I hope, that there will be future opportunities to compensate for the disappointment of many of us on this occasion. We have been delighted to have had this practical means of congratulating our Brother Scouts, through the Victorian Branch, on the attainment of their Diamond Jubilee.

8th.—A pleasant call, on the way home from my brief holiday, to the Orchid Show at the Civic Centre, Mornington, arranged by the Peninsula Orchid Society and hostessed by our Region. This co-operation has proved so successful since offered to us in 1965 to aid our Building Appeal that the Orchid Society has repeated the invitation annually. Certainly the number and glory of the orchids displayed has increased year by year. It was a spectacular "welcome home" to Region Commissioner Mrs. Hartley Watson warmly offered by the community as well as by her Guide "family."

9th.—Mrs. Renshaw-Jones attended the meeting of Advisers, the last "business" meeting for the year, and so the last under my chairmanship. I was keenly aware of the gratitude my assistants and I owe and feel to all the Advisers who have held office during our term. We have appreciated too the pleasure of working beside them, and so getting to know them more intimately. I'm sure Mrs. Renshaw-Jones must have felt likewise assured and comforted in recognising the help they would be to her.

10th.—Another opportunity to talk about Guiding, through an invitation arranged by Mrs. Gray to visit St. Barnabas' Church Guild.

11th.—Miss Broadhurst kindly had the Boundaries sub-committee meeting at her home and a day ahead of schedule to enable us to go to Macedon next day for the Garden Day arranged by the Division to benefit Rowallan Camp Site. Division Commissioner Mrs. Blackburn and her "girls" entertained at morning tea and luncheon at her home, "Lowland Farm," and had arranged for six other lovely gardens to be opened for inspection throughout the day, and for glorious weather in which to enjoy them.

14th.—An arduous but interesting day at Mrs. Farrow's home, assisting in the selection of our State nominee for next year's Juliette Lowe invitation to Australia. The rather heart-rending business of choosing only one from among the outstanding group of Rangers pre-selected in their Regions was counteracted by the mutual pleasure of getting to know each other over the deal, and in the immediate warmhearted wishes of all the girls to Eva Price of Tatura when her selection was announced. Meantime Mrs. Gray kindly represented me at the Trefoil Guild Annual Meeting, as regrettably I could not be in two places at once.

16th.—Again the Y.W.C.A. provided comfortable accommodation for the State Council Annual Meeting, the prelude to the Annual General Meeting of the Association in consideration and acceptance of the Annual Report and Financial Statement. It was a meeting of historic significance in that for the first time an election for membership was required. Congratulations to the 14 new members elected and thanks to all who were willing to be nominated for the Council, as for the Executive Committee.

Welcome to Mrs. K. G. Colquhoun, Mrs. A. N. Fox, Mrs. H. Hilton and Miss M. Owen as new Executive members and to Miss E. Moran, who was re-elected. Thanks to Miss Peg Barr, who was not eligible for re-election, for her valuable contribution throughout the maximum number of years of continuous service and to Mrs. Sharp for her term on the Committee.

19th.—By way of a finale for the present Executive Committee, a mammoth meeting with the wind-up of business from the Australian Executive meeting added to State items. We were delighted to have Mrs. Fairbairn back with us for the first time after her illness, and while a less arduous meeting would have been kinder, we were glad to have her voice on the matters for discussion.

23rd.—Another milestone passed in the 41st Annual Meeting. We were delighted to have our charming State President attend and open the meeting, giving evidence in her comments of her keen interest in our affairs. It was most appropriate too that Lady Bolte, President of our War Memorial Building Appeal of 1965, could be with us on the occasion of the public announcement of the plans to re-build our Headquarters. The large gathering listened with evident appreciation to the guest speaker, Dr. Margaret Blackwood, and to her stimulating thoughts presented so entertainingly we owe much of the success of the meeting.

The considerable routine preparation is of course a most important factor year by year, and for this appreciation is due to our State Secretary, Miss Betty Macartney, and the members of staff and voluntary helpers she enlists to cope with hall, flower and supper arrangements. Items by the Choir have become a regular feature that we take pride in presenting to our guests as well as enjoying them ourselves.

This was quite a momentous night for me personally and I do thank you all for the happy occasion you made of my last Annual Meeting as your State Commissioner. I'm sure it was an equally happy beginning for Mrs. Renshaw Jones, as she surveyed so many of her future team and with the warmth of your welcome ringing in her ears, accepted my assurance of the loyal friendly support she would receive, as my Assistants and I have done.

25th.—The regular meeting of the Finance Sub-committee.

26th, 27th.—I represented the Association at the Red Cross Annual Meeting and Mrs. Shave did likewise* at that of the Good Neighbour Council—in both cases matters of mutual interest emphasised the importance of our liaison with these organizations.

31st.—As a delightful conclusion to the month, I had the pleasure of showing Lady Delacombe the detailed plans of our new Headquarters Building, in which she took her characteristic helpful and constructive interest, after which the Lady Mayoress received my call. How fortunate we are to have the assurance of such lively interest from the leaders in our State to encourage us as we look to the start of an important New Year, with its new look at Australian Guiding under a new State Commissioner and with a new building!

Joyce E. Price

The opportunity of a lifetime must be seized during the lifetime of the opportunity.

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THE GIFT OF FRIENDSHIP— THINKING LEADS TO ACTION

What is "Thinking Day"?

It is February 22nd, the day on which Guides and Scouts the world over celebrate the birthday of their Founder and of his wife, the World Chief Guide. "Thinking Day" ceremonies are held everywhere and the day is dedicated to thinking about our sister Guides in all the other countries and asking a blessing on them and on our work.

But thinking about international Guiding is not enough. We all know how useless are the good thoughts that do not lead to good deeds. So we are called upon to show that our friendship is not an empty gesture.

To extend the scope of the World Association's work and to show our Guide friends in other parts of the world that they are in our thoughts, we are all asked to make a contribution to the Thinking Day Fund. The fund is used to bring Guiding within the reach of every girl who wants it wherever she may live and to promote friendship between girls of all nationalities, races and creeds.

Your gift need not be large; each one of you is asked only to make a willing contribution.

Your gift will assist in financing gatherings so that friendships may be formed and ideas exchanged; provide for leaders to train and study in countries other than their own; provide for the translation of handbooks into several languages; stimulate cooperation with other international nongovernmental organizations, etc. It can help Guides to lend a hand and give service to those who have suffered from a national disaster—flood, famine, earthquake or war.

We believe-

. . . that Guiding is making a contribution to international understanding among children, and so helping forward the cause of universal peace.

We know-

. . . that Guiding is bringing happiness to many young people in our own country as well as to countless others across the seas.

We hope-

. . . that you will tell other young people about our aims and our work for them all over the world and also spread further knowledge of this among our own members.

FURTHER PARAGRAPHS FROM LETTERS RECEIVED BY L.A.'s

From Thailand:

"Besides the Thai Division we have also one International Division in Bangkok run by mothers of the foreign-speaking children. There are about 800 members, consisting of Blue Birds, Intermediate Guides and Senior Guides under the chairmanship of Mrs. Bertha Lancaster, who has had Guiding experience in the United States."

From Japan:

"Now Japanese schools are all having a Summer holiday. It is very hot in here. I had been to our National Camp Center, Togakushi, for two weeks. It is located at the mountain side, and very cool and fresh air makes us better condition to enjoy the camping. We are scheduled to have many kinds of camping whole this Summer — Patrol Leader's camping, Ranger's camping, Girl Scouts and Seniors' camping, Leader's Camper's licence course, Trainer's meeting, Commissioner's meeting, Leader's training course, so on. Camping season is really a busy days for us.

"I think you'll hear from the Japanese Scouts when they come back to Tokyo after the Summer vacation. It is very hard to write a letter in English for the Japanese, but we'll try, and let us our girls to have a friends in foreign country."

Further from Japan:

"As you know, there are now about eleven million people living in the city of Tokyo, and it is quite difficult for us to find a large space of land to live on. To the contrary you are living in such beautiful surroundings. How lucky you are!

"We don't have such Local Associations in our Scouts movement, but our Tokyo Local Council of Girl Scouts consists of 32 Brownie troops, 62 Girl Scouts troops, 38 Senior Scouts troops and 12 Ranger troops. We hope that some of us, mothers and children, could visit your district and see each other some day in the future."

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CONGRATULATIONS ON OBTAINING THE FULL RANGER SERVICE STAR TO:----

Helen George, of 1st Kerang Land Rangers. Lorraine Bunting, of Preston East Land Rangers.

Jennifer O'Malley, of Stradbroke Cadets.



Dear "Matilda,"

Two letters in your October issue made my heart lift. First: A Challenge? Please, Mrs. Barratt, can we hear more about your project? It sounds like Guiding with a visible purpose.

Secondly, the Manningham Road Division Guiders' Week-end. This sounds to me an ideal training. Guiders of all Branches, treated as adults, discussing the real ideals, fundamentals and problems of Guiding. It is obvious from the letters, they returned home with their enthusiasm stirred and refuelled, feeling justified in accepting the sacrifices made by their families to allow them to attend.

It is anticipated the Work Party will review the whole training system in Guiding. Social conditions have changed tremendously since Guiding evolved. Now for the sake of the National Economy married women are encouraged to return to work as soon as the ages of their children permit. As a consequence fewer women are available as trainers; this number is further decreased as it is usually the woman of intelligence, integrity and ability who returns to work. Has the time come to introduce professionally-trained youth workers, adequately paid, as trainers? Finance would be necessary-some youth organizations receive Government grants to enable them to employ leaders. For the sake of the girl, should this be considered? Also is the Regional training scheme a backward move? Are too few Guiders present at a training to achieve more than a technical approach to Guiding? Are Guiders sacrificing their Units (and the girls) for the sake of trainings?

All these matters require an objective examination. I wonder if this is possible with the constitution of our Work Party?



They are all experienced Guiders, therefore indoctrinated with Guiding customs and methods. Self-examination is good but too much self-examination brings introversion. Should we consider seeking a report on Guiding from people outside the movement? For example, from a professionally-trained youth worker, a trained social worker and either a sociological or intelligent mother who has experienced the teenage years with her children (depending on how practical or technical a report is required). The important thing is to get a look at ourselves as others see us. "Country Guider II."

NOTE.—It is not often the Editor is able to comment under another "hat"—but the Work Party Chairman would like to say that whilst this letter is published for your interest and comments, it certainly is the intention of the Work Party to seek the views of people outside the Movement — several have already been approached or their articles read. ALL comments are of interest to the Work Party.

From time to time the Work Party hears reports that L.A. meetings, Division meetings, etc., etc., have discussed questions from "To-morrow's Guide," or had someone to talk to them about questions which could help the Work Party to arrive at recommendations regarding matters being considered by it.

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It would be of great assistance to us if brief reports of any such meetings, discussions, conferences and the outcome of any discussion groups, etc., could be sent to me to be taken into consideration with other material available to the Work Party.

Thank you!

MARGARET SHAW. Chairman, Victorian Work Party 44 Tooronga Road, East Hawthorn, 3123.

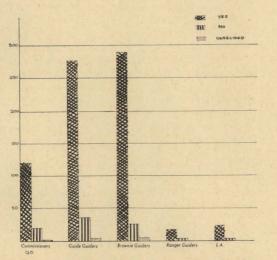
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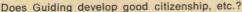
The Pleasures and Pressures of Guiding

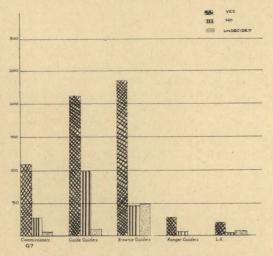
These diagrams are published for your interest . . . they show the answers to some of the questions asked in the recent "Pleasures and Pressures of Guiding" questionnaire.

Do the answers surprise you? Interest you?

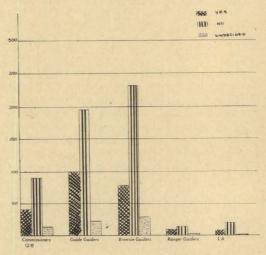
The Work Party expresses thanks to those who worked so hard producing these diagrammatic results and to everyone who sent in the answers on which they worked.

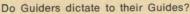


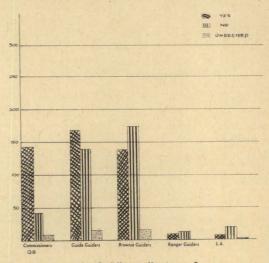




Does the Patrol System operate throughout the Movement?







Do pressures in Guiding affect you?

-Details by Miss E. Hepburn.

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This story by Ames R. Shields, of Detroit Area Council, U.S.A., comes from "Scouting," the U.S. Scout magazine . . . but the principles involved surely are universal.

The boy joined because HE WANTED TO ... does he STAY because he WANTS to?

Do we bring to the children the adventure, the fun and the flexibility that have always been basic to the Guide and Scout Movements?

It is this sort of enthusiasm, harnessed to develop the citizenship of character, that we would like to see in Guiding and it is to this aim that the Work Party is working.

THE BOY WHO JOINED LAST NIGHT

On a search for a campsite, I climbed out of my car to seek directions. A boy, eyeing me and my Scouting clothes, approached and asked: "Mister, are you a Scoutmaster?" Not wishing to confuse him with titles, I replied, "Yes, something like that."

His eyes shining and with a contagious smile and all the enthusiasm he could muster, he said: "I'm a Scout."

"That's great," I replied, "and how do you like it?"

Like a burst from a machine gun, he rattled off: "It's swell. We go camping and hiking. We cook our own meals. We have meetings. I'm in the Fox Patrol. We're all going to be Eagles. Our Scoutmaster is a swell guy."

"Well," I said, breaking in, "that's great, and how long have you been a Scout?"

"Oh," said the boy, somewhat startled, "I joined last night."

As I drove away, I could not help but think of the great responsibility we have to that boy who "joined last night."



If you don't stand for something you'll fall for anything.



STAMPS

There have been many interesting Australian stamps issued during 1967, and the latest-5c and 25c Christmas ones-are now on sale, as well as a 10c aerogramme form. The 5c stamp features a background of Gothic arches in black, with Australian Christmas Bell flowers in centre foreground. Another Christmas stamp to watch for is the 5c Norfolk Island. It reproduces, in full, the John Adams' prayer on a scroll, with a lighted candle alongside it. The last surviving mutineer from the "Bounty," on Pitcairn Island, John Adams became the community leader, and taught from a Bible taken from the "Bounty." He moved to Norfolk Island in 1856 and composed the prayer shown on its 1967 Christmas stamp.

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Post all donations of stamps (soaked off and undamaged) to 12 Cowderoy Street, St. Kilda, 3182, not to Guide Headquarters.

-L. E. CUZENS.





CANADIAN BROWNIES and a PATHWAY of PENNIES

Photo by courtesy of Canadian Guide H.Q.

Have you ever wished that you could share with your Brownies an exciting international experience? Have you wished you could find a concrete answer to teaching and testing the newer international tests? Have you wished to highlight the value of our World Friendship Fund?

These wishes were ours also. We discussed them in Pow Wow until many tiny thoughts and ideas grew into a project. It has proved successful beyond our expectations.

With "Pennies on the March" as our theme, we thought of many countries we would like to help. If we were marching, how many countries would we pass through? What would we see in these exciting places? What stories would they tell? What songs and dances would they teach us? What animals, birds and flowers would be different from our own species? What flags would we see flying from their buildings?

These and many more questions started the Brownies hunting for small models to depict their thoughts. Brown Owl looked for appropriate songs, games, and dances, and Tawny Owl gathered a wealth of stories.

Then we made our Pathway. With styrofoam, crushed tissue paper and some spray paint we built a model of our journey. Packie made little signposts, and each six had treasures to contribute. With great enthusiasm they placed a tiny windmill in Holland, some wee roses in England, a goat on a Swiss mountain, and a donkey in Mexico. Small figurines, animals, pine cone trees, a toothpick pagoda, and so on, soon lined our route with cherished possessions.

Our "piece de resistance" was a marching band. Each figure was only an inch high. These are now painted brown, and march proudly along our "Pathway of Pennies."

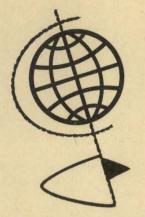
How do we utilize our project?

Each Brownie brings pennies for her birthday and places them on the pathway, while we sing a very special song. Then, as we pass a country, we learn something about it. We have learned songs, dances, and games, and heard stories of many lands. If a Brownie is ready to pass her Golden Hand test, she tells the story. This helps the younger girls and enthusiasm grows.

During the Summer months new acquisitions were donated by travelling relatives and friends. Hardly a week passes but at least one Brownie brings some treasure to show to the pack. Some have started international collections of their own.

Our Parade of Pennies has marched into our Brownie homes. Several mothers and one small brother have sent their birthday pennies also. Our pathway is almost complete, and, as we retrace our steps, we will re-live our experiences. This project was started to help Brownies in other lands, but we realize now that all of us have gained a great deal besides a contribution to the World Friendship Fund.

—By Mrs. O. B. Rutherford, Winnipeg Diploma'd Trainer, from "Canadian Guider."



CEYLON INTERNATIONAL JUBILEE CAMP AND RANGER SERVICE PROJECT—February, 1968

The Australian representatives at this event will be:--

Three Guider's from N.S.W.— Mrs. P. Swanson, G.I.C. Miss Lynette Arthur Miss Joan Herring. One Cadet and one Ranger from S.A.— Miss Lorraine Duffield Miss Karen Horne.

We wish them a happy and worthwhile trip!

OUR CABANA-MEXICO

Mexico has issued an invitation for free lodging at Our Cabana for two Guiders, aged from 19-30 years, for the following twoweek periods in 1968 and 1969:—

January 1st through 15. January 15th through 31. February 1st through 15. February 15th through 28. September 1st through 15. September 15th through 30. October 1st through 15. October 15th through 31. November 1st through 15. November 15th through 30.

Participants could be from any countries. For the time being requests will be honoured as received. No special requirements but that the person shall be active in the Movement of her country and that her Association recommend her.

If anyone is interested in this marvellous opportunity, please contact the State International Representative, Mrs. G. Farrow, 3 Merrion Grove, Kew.

In Denmark ...

Here is a story of the International Camp in Denmark, which I really enjoyed.

When I arrived at Liverpool Street Station at 4.00 p.m. on Tuesday, 17th July, it was good to see again some Australian uniforms.

We bundled ourselves into the train and got to know each other on the trip to the boat. The boat trip was good, especially the food. When we got off the boat at Esberg it was good to be able to put your luggage on a moving baggage rail. It was all right until you had to stop in the queue and your luggage kept moving!

On the train to Korser, the Australians and New Zealanders had a carriage together. The train went on to the boat to go between the Islands of Denmark, and when we got off the train to have a look round the ferry, we found that it was crowded with Danish Guides and their luggage.

We changed trains at Korser and we got off at Borup where it was a sight to see all the Danish Guides pouring out of the train doors and their luggage out of the windows.

We were told that we had a half-hour walk ahead of us and and were not very thrilled when it began to rain, but it was a relief when we were told that we could leave our luggage at the station and pick it up at the camp.

The camp was divided into six villages with about 2,500 Danish Guides in each. There were also about 500 foreign Guides who were divided into the various villages.

It rained heavily for the rest of the evening, so we were confined to tents. There were seven Danish Guides in the tent with me.

That night we sang songs and tried to talk—their English was quite good really. They offered me some licorice, but to my surprise it was salted and tasted horrible.

Next morning we woke to the ringing of the camp bell. We were cooks and were supposed to have been up earlier, but we managed to get up and have the breakfast served by 8 a.m. The Danes do not have a cooked breakfast—it was uncooked oatmeal and milk, then some rye bread and jam. After breakfast Margaret (the other Australian in the same company as I) and myself went to meet the other Australians while the Danish Guides had their Bible Time.

I came back to our tents and prepared dinner which was mince and potatoes and then something called coldskol. They add to milk a few things like sugar and then put a few cornflakes on top—not particularly nice to my taste.

We then prepared for the opening parade. It was really marvellous to see 15,000 Danish Guides with their flags and bands. Most companies have their own bands and it sounds good to hear them as they march along. (But by the end of camp you wish they wouldn't practise!)

We returned to our tents and had our usual bread, with all sorts of things on it, and bananas for tea. We then had a campfire for the whole camp. It was rather difficult to follow because of the language barrier. Their campfires are run along concert lines with very little community singing.

Most of the Danish Guides had campfire hats—they were made of hessian with a drawstring round the top and some embroidery on the back of it; they really looked good.

The next afternoon the foreign visitors were taken on a bus tour to Roskild Cathedral and some ancient ruins at Lyre. It was a pleasant afternoon and we returned in time for tea.

Dinner on Saturday was sausages, potatoes and bread and raisins in milk. After dinner we went to the showers where you had to wear your bathers. There were about a dozen sprays and the water was cold!

Then we went to an activity where different songs were taught.

Sunday morning we were asked to hoist the flag. Previously the divisions had their own colours each morning and we took part with our own division. After breakfast there was a Church Service held at the camp. It was in Danish, so we did not attend.

Dinner was hamburgers and ice cream. The Danish ice cream is really lovely and we were given a massive slab of it. We never went hungry during the camp—you could always go back for more. After dinner we went to an English-speaking Church Service in Borup. When we came back there were people everywhere, as it was visiting day. Tea was the usual bread and there was a big campfire afterwards.

On Monday morning we (the visitors) left for an all-day bus trip. We first went to a Church at Ringstead and then to Trellegorg, an old Viking town. A man gave us a talk about the Vikings, then we went and looked round the ruins. At about 2 p.m. we stopped at a lovely place where we ate our dinner and we were really hungry. We then went to the beach where we stopped for a swim—there are no changing rooms, but we just looked around for a spot to change in the knee-high grass. It was a lovely swim, though. We arrived back at the camp in time for tea, which was stew and a fruit soup.

Dinner on Tuesday was liver and tomato sauce and also potatoes, which about three people salted, not knowing the others had!

After dinner all the patrols mixed with the others—we made a fire and cooked some damper. It began to rain and we stayed in our tents until Princess Benedikte came and we went out. I was the only one buttering the bread for tea and I buttered 91 pieces of bread that night.

That night was a village campfire and they put on the whole history of Copenhagen. It was very well done, and they went to a lot of trouble with backdrops and costumes. They then put on a fireworks display which was really good.

The Australians had to entertain for seven minutes on the stage. We put on a play with first the call of the kookaburras and then having school on pedal wireless.

Thursday morning we were lucky to get cooked oatmeal. It was the last day, very hot, and nobody felt like working. But eventually we got everything done. We then had a village closing parade, during which the Danish Guides presented to all the countries present a scrap book and matchbox cover.

After the campfire that night there was a big fireworks display.

On the last morning we had to be up at 6 o'clock, and it was amazing how quickly all the tents came down. We walked to the station with hand luggage; the rest went by truck.

The people I stayed with for the next Continued on page 177





-Blocks by courtesy of "Australian Stamp Monthly".

"BOTTLE MAIL" CARRIES F.D.C. AND NEW SCOUTING JUBILEE ISSUES

Two bottles were recently launched into the River Thames as "bottle mail," addressed to the High Commissioner for Scouting in the Bahamas.

They carry messages of greetings and First Day Covers from the London scouts who launched them and can cross the Atlantic by the Canaries current and the North Equatorial current — but may well take a year or more to make the crossing. A duplicate message was sent by airmail.

The launch was made during a press conference in London for a new issue of two Bahamas stamps, 3c and 15c, to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of Scouting. A statement issued by Mr. Carlton E. Francis, Bahamas Minister of Finance, said: "Tourism, especially from North America, is vital to the Bahamas. This means that every channel of publicity, including stamp issues, must be used to the greatest possible extent. For this reason the Bahamas had reached an agreement with the Inter-Govermental Philatelic Corporation of New York to market stamps issued by the Bahamas Government."

The conference was held at Baden Powell House in London, on the first day of issue of the new stamps, both of which include portrait heads of H.M. the Queen and the late Lord Baden Powell.

The conference was addressed by Sir Learie Constantine, Kt., M.B.E., former High Commissioner for Trinidad and Tobago, who had been a scout in his youth.

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IN DENMARK ...

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week were very nice and very kind. They took me right up to Helsingbourg, into Copenhagen, to Tivoli, which was marvellous. It is a big fun fair, like Luna Park, only bigger and with a lot of gardens. All the Danish people are very friendly and we were often invited out to friends' places for meals.

It was all a very exciting experience and I was glad of the opportunity to attend. During the week in the home I saw how the Danish people live and I got used to handling their money.

I seem to have mentioned food quite a

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bit, but I was told that I may have to get used to raw cabbage only for breakfast, so I was glad it was just uncooked oatmeal and the very dark rye bread. Denmark is known for its open sandwiches and they are very nice. My hostess gave me lunch for eating on the train and each sandwich was wrapped in tinfoil.

-RUTH RUTHERFORD.

(Guide Ruth Rutherford went to England with her family not long before this camp was held and has joined up with a company in England.)

A chip on the shoulder indicates that there is wood higher up.

AN ICE CREAM FOR THE CHIEF

THREE LETTERS OF THANKS

From the Chief Commissioner, Mrs. Rea, of Southern Rhodesia:

"Your letter and the enclosed cheque came as a wonderful heart-warming surprise, and I am writing immediately to give the thanks of all the Guides in Rhodesia to all the Guides in Australia, and particularly to our beloved Chief, Lady Baden-Powell. It is quite moving to be remembered in this way by friends so far distant, but this is Guiding and what makes it such a splendid Movement to belong to. The money is acceptable, but even more so is the concern on the part of the Chief and of all your Australian Guides.

"I have sent some to each of our National Training Centres, Pax Park (Salisbury) and Rowallan Park (Matopos). Pax Park wish to put fluorescent lighting in the main common room so that it can be used effectively in the evenings at trainings. The present light, off our own engine, is very dim. This would be a great help, and this money would just about cover the cost."

From the Provincial Commissioner, Mrs. V. Harmer, of Rhodesia:

"I am Provincial Commissioner for Matabeleland, which is one of five Provinces in Rhodesia. It is a huge area, about 500 miles from end to end, and some 200 miles deep, and covers both the city of Bulawayo, and a large rural bush area. In Matabeleland we look after for National H.Q. the camping centre known as Rowallan Park. This is about 24 miles from Bulawayo, and set in the Matopo Hills, and only a few miles from the Founder's camp which was occupied in 1896.

"The Chief Guide visited us here in 1963, and became very interested in the establishment of our camping centre in B.-P.'s country, and this is why she has included us in your lovely scheme. Rowallan Park has now five fully-equipped sites with water and ablutions blocks, and a large Lodge equipped for Brownie Pack holidays and/or trainings for Guiders, P.L.'s, etc. Our latest effort has been the building of a cottage, which will act as an annexe for the Lodge, and house Trainers, Camp Guard, etc. We are going to use your gift to provide lighting for the Cottage, in the form of portable gas lamps. Our money only just covered the building, and we are at present working hard to finish the plumbing and essential furnishing.

"Our membership in Matabeleland is now just over 5,000, of which 80% is African. 3.4% Asiatic and coloured, and the remainder European. This year we are pressing ahead well with training, as we have a U.K. trainer here, and she has been based on Rowallan Park. We have an increasing number of African Guiders now with camping and training qualifications, and we are making great strides. This week we have a Senior Branch Round-up at Rowallan, and girls of all races are in camp doing an Adventure Programme. The Matopo Hills are very beautiful and exciting too. Our greetings to Australian Guides, and many thanks."

From the National Commissioner, Senora de Perez Rivero, of Mexico:

"We thank our Chief Guide, Lady Baden-Powell, and all the Australian Guides for the gift you sent to us. You must be sure that every time the Australian Guides come to Mexico there will always be a place for them and we hope that they will come soon.

"Every time Lady Baden-Powell visits Mexico we hope and pray as you do that she will keep well, but I think that we get more exhausted than she, although we really enjoy it."



TRAINING PAGES

2. PRESENTING GOLDEN HAND ACTIVITIES IN THE PACK

LAUNDRY AND FIRE LIGHTING

We all know that a Brownie, through her training in the Pack, learns many skills which will help her to carry out the last part of her Promise, "to help other people every day, especially those at home."

This article includes ideas collected from Victorian Brownie Guiders about how the homecraft skills contained in the Golden Hand test can be presented to the Pack.

With such tasks as tea-making, cooking, etc., never forget that actually "doing" is what counts. Many meeting places, however, are not equipped to "do," but some effort will usually result in the finding of a mum, L.A. member, a Guider or friend who is willing to lend the appropriate facilities.

A story such as the following could perhaps be the way to interest your Brownies in laundering.

"The famous tartan weavers of Scotland lived right up among the mountains. They grew their own wool for the best wool they could get, then they spun and wove it. All the big families, or clans, decided on the colours they liked best, and soon a pattern was worked out for each clan. Now it happened that although some clans used the same colours as others, they were woven differently, so there was no mistake about who was who.

"At one of the big fairs one laddie, whose mother had been careless in washing his kilt, ended up with a red stripe running like / instead of like — which was the way the McLeods had their stripe. It so happened that the McLeods did not like this other clan, and to think that one of them was wearing their tartan was enough to start a battle. It was so terrible a battle that the careless mother made sure she taught her little girls to wash things carefully, so that there would not be any further troubles about the stripes.

"The Irish linen weavers are famous for their beautiful linen table cloths. When they heard about the battle in Scotland, they made a rule to put little tickets on all their linen to tell people that when they washed the linen to remember that it was made of flax and had to be set right to keep it from stretching. The best way was to take it to a green meadow, drive pegs into the ground and tie the corners to the pegs, so that it would dry straight.

"Then the cotton weavers took a lesson from both these famous makers. They said that as cotton was not as heavy as the tartan wools or the heavy flax linen, you could hang it up to dry IF you hung it the right way. Where the threads go up and down they must hang that way, and where they go across they must go straight across. So it seems quite easy to hang a Brownie tie, with one of the short sides along the clothes line. Now if you hang it that way, then surely you must iron it that way, or the threads might get pushed out of shape with the iron."

Another opportunity which should never be missed is "washing day" on Pack Holidays. This is much more fun than taking home a plastic bag of wet washing from a Pack meeting.

Fire-laying, the alternative to laundering, can also be great fun, and a popular Pack activity. The following suggestions are included as examples of fire-lighting activities:

1. DUMB SHOW

Equipment: One box of matches, paper, kindling and wood pieces.

Rules: No one must speak, unless asked a question.

Guiders' Demonstration: Wash hands, roll up sleeves, tie on apron, collect ash-can, dustpan, brush, spread paper for carpet protection, remove ashes, and return implements to cupboard.

Set fire, light match, but do not light fire.

Then ask questions, to give a running description of actions. Choose a Brownie to do the show. This can be done in 15 minutes and as well as learning the art of fire-laying it will produce some talent in the acting field, making it quite entertaining.

2. MODEL FIREPLACE

This is a fascinating activity for the Pack, and could be used as a Six project.

Equipment: One square cardboard box with lid, paste, nature "treasures", paper cutouts, tissue paper, a box of dead matches, twigs.

Method: Stand box upright and build a fire on the base. This should be stuck down (tissue paper is a good holding base), and left to dry. Dead matches are used for wood in the fire.

Decorate the lid of the box as the mantelpiece, decorating with nature "bits and pieces" or as the Brownies choose.

Cut an opening in one of the sides of the box so that it looks like an open-fronted fire. This can be made to look like brick or stone—work with texta-colours.

When the lid is replaced, complete with decorations, you have a completed model fireplace.

3. BARBECUE BONFIRE

Place two long and two rather short pieces of wood as the side pieces. Using bunches of dried leaves instead of paper, build the fire between the two side pieces, adding larger twigs and sticks. When completed, grasp the two long sticks and carry the fire at least three yards for inspection.

If it stands the test, the Brownie is allowed to light her own fire and with help from a Pack Leader, may use it to cook her chop. However, if the fire collapses it is dumped on the barbecue fire, and the Brownie must help with the chores.

A time limit must be imposed on this, as Brown Owl and Tawny are depending on the "duds" for their wood. You will probably get some free wood the first time the Brownie tries this game, but from then on you get your own.

If you have no use for a barbecue fire, a good variation to this is to build the fire, and with aid of a bean bag, or bits and pieces to hand, create a scene using the fire as a central item. One suggestion is a Hawaiian scene. A ball of grass on top of a stick in the ground, with a few bunches of leaves arranged half-way down and resting on the ground can make a good Hula girl. A background of Scotch thistles can do wonders with a bit of imagination, especially if the Brownie herself gives the explanation. This can use the full Pack by working in pairs, the new Recruit perhaps collecting the bits and pieces while the fire builder does her piece.

Every time fire laying is practised, safety precautions should be stressed—such things as lighting the back of the fire first, using fire screens, the dangers of highly-inflammable clothing, etc.

Perhaps the Brownie who is genuinely frightened of matches and fire can be helped to overcome her fear by being allowed to light the candles on the Pack birthday cake.

Through these and similar activities Brownies will gain an interest in these two subjects which will stand them in good stead whether or not they are, or later become, Golden Hand candidates.



SOMEBODY ELSE

- There's a clever young fellow named SOME-BODY ELSE—
 - There's nothing this fellow can't do.
- He's busy from morning 'til way late at night—

Just substituting for you.

You're asked to do this, or asked to do that,

And what is your ready reply?

- "Get SOMEBODY ELSE, Mister Chairman-He'll do it much better than I."
- There's so much to do in our Scouting, So much, and the workers are few,
- And SOMEBODY ELSE is getting weary and worn—

Just substituting for you.

So, next time you're asked to do something worthwhile,

Just give them this honest reply,

"If SOMEBODY ELSE can give time and support,

You can bet your last dime, so can I!"

-Goldsboro, N.C. Trailblazer, from "Scouting," U.S.A.



"What Tenderfoot and Pre-Tenderfoot Countries are doing and what WAGGGS is doing in and for these Countries?"

The work which the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts is doing in and for the Tenderfoot and Pre-Tenderfoot countries means partly a direct expansion of its operative area and partly the development of Guiding within this area. When trying to explain this work, one has to remember that these countries differ from each other as much as the Full Member countries do. Nevertheless, one could find certain similarities in the heterogeneous group of the Tenderfoot countries:

- (a) There are countries with a long history of Guiding, which have been a part of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts before, but in another capacity, as a part of a Full Member country;
- (b) There are countries in which Guiding may have existed a long time already, but which for some reason have not been able to apply for Tenderfoot Membership at an earlier date, e.g., owing to lack of a self-governing National Girl Guide Association or at least a separate section in a joint movement with the Boy Scouts;
- (c) There are countries in which Guiding is really new or has had to make a new start after some previous efforts have failed.

The same applies to the Pre-Tenderfoot countries:

- (a) Although there may be some similarities among the Full Member countries on one hand, and the Tenderfoot and Pre-Tenderfoot countries on the other hand, the Tenderfoot and Pre-Tenderfoot countries may be in a position to avoid some of the problems of the Full Members.
- (b) They have had a real need to review their programmes to meet the present

needs of their country or their selfgoverning feminine organisation or section. They have had to re-organise their administration and to find new persons to their various Committees. They must give training to their leaders and draft their new handbooks and other publications in order to implement the new programmes in a proper way. Therefore they may avoid some of the negative effects of a long experience in Guiding.

(c) The countries in which Guiding is new are partly in a different position. First of all, they have to start from practically nothing. The first important thing is to introduce Guiding as a Movement to parents and teachers, to authorities of the State and the Churches, to the prospective leaders and - of course to the girls themselves. Various aspects of Guiding have to be brought to their attention: Guiding as a means of outof-school education, citizenship training, character training and community service; Guiding based on moral values and Guiding as a possibility for strengthening the faith; Guiding as practical training towards international understanding; Guiding as an opportunity for enriching experiences among old and new friends; Guiding as an entertainment and adventure.

The main responsibility of expansion and development of Guiding within a country remains with its Girl Guide Association itself. Nobody else can do it. They can only assist. The National Association is also responsible for the quality of Guiding in the country.

The ways of assistance which the World Association and its Member countries can offer depends on the various needs in various countries or groups of countries.

A very good example of planned and organised promotion work is the one in the Western Hemisphere, put into practice according to the lines accepted by the World Committee by the Western Hemisphere Sub-Committee and mostly assisted by the Full and Tenderfoot Members within that hemisphere.

This kind of assistance has been of great importance in a part of the world where Guiding has really had to be introduced to new countries, which had no previous experiences whatsoever. In order to know the needs of assistance, the countries are asked about their needs. The World Bureau acts as a clearing house, but the actual assistance comes from the Member countries.

Many countries ask for assistance in training or they wish to send their Trainers abroad for further training.

It has been encouraging to see how many Tenderfoot countries have been able to give Trainers to other Tenderfoot countries or Pre-Tenderfoot countries in the past (e.g., Sierra Leone-Tanzania, Uganda-Congo Kinshasa, Ghana-Liberia).

Most of the trainings and promotional visits have been financed by the Thinking Day contributions, in which again both Full and Tenderfoot Members participate.

In some instances the assisting country or a group of countries have financed a special project and sometimes in such a way that the Trainer or the opportunity for training abroad has been provided by a different country. Sometimes the country to be assisted finances the project herself. When looking at the report, one can find examples of many different ways of assistance and special or combined efforts, made by various countries in this field.

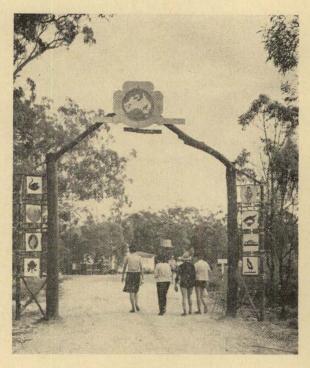
Publications for introduction of Guiding and for training needs are of importance. The World Association has published the Blue Pamphlet in German, Spanish and Arabic outside its official languages. Many countries assist each other by exchange of handbooks and other printed material within a special language group. Some countries have to make great efforts in order to publish printed material in the language of their own like, e.g., the Republic of China and Iran have done. Other countries who cannot assist in drafting or publishing this material find it possible to offer assistance for financial aid, where there is need.

The World Association has helped the development by arranging trainings and gatherinfs for groups of countries where the need arises. Many of them have taken place in the Western Hemisphere, some in Asia and in Africa. A very important one of this kind was the All-Africa Conference, in which 29 countries participated. A similar one will be arranged for the Arabic-speaking countries next year. We live in a period of vigorous extension of the area of Guiding. The need for assistance is great, when we compare the numbers of the Full Member countries with those of the Tenderfoot and Pre-Tenderfoot countries.

But isn't it a real challenge, isn't it a real appeal to each one of us? Doesn't it give us a wonderful opportunity to participate in the universal efforts of development and especially the advancement of women? Isn't it a practical way to increased international co-operation and one of the best ways towards mutual understanding among many nations in the world?

-Mrs. Helvi Sipila,

(a talk given at the World Conference, 1966).



Gateway at All-Australia Camp Kumanka, Queensland.

BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION'S CHIEF COMMISSIONER, VICTORIA

The Guides Association extends greetings to Mr. J. Burchart, Chief Commissioner-Elect for the Boy Scouts Association. Mr. Burchart takes over on 1st April, 1968.



You all know "MATILDA", don't you? BUT have you met Matilda's aunts and cousins?

NO!! Well, here they are:-

Mrs. Connie Commissioner Miss Geraldine Guider. Rosie Ranger Gertie Guide Biddy Brownie

Don't miss your future Matildas.

See who is visiting you in February, and you can be sure that at regular intervals you will meet all these aunts and cousins again.

A BROWNIE HALLOWEEN PARTY

Brownies had been busy cutting out silver stars and moons, orange pumpkins and black witches' cats to decorate the Hall and tables for their party. A huge brown paper tree covered one wall, and the Brownies' crepe paper owls were each filled with a snowball and fastened to the branches. Rats were made for the tables with prunes, silver balls and licorice.

The most fearsome and gruesome collection of witches flew in that party evening and played the peculiar games that only witches play. They chanted spells and magicked snakes and frogs (lollies) out of the cauldron. Queer witches' pets were made out of all kinds of scraps and were paraded before the "human" audience.

There was a special table in the Hall, and on this witches had placed cakes, biscuits and sweets for a ward at the Cheltenham Home, as well as something for their own supper. Everyone had knitted squares beforehand and a lovely rug was also on the table.

Our Pack Leader had been busy, too, and had made a Hansel and Gretel house from a cardboard box with flower pictures, sweets and biscuits arranged beautifully all over it. Before the witches flew home they were able to break off one thing from the Hansel and Gretel house and make a wish.

The next day, Sunday, we made up 60 lots of afternoon tea with the donations, and the Guiders and Sixers visited the Cheltenham Home. We visited two wards, took flowers for those who had very few visitors, and the rug was given to an old lady who had no visitors. The Hansel and Gretel house was repaired and taken along, too, and put in the corridor for all who passed to break off something nice.

The Brownies chatted to everyone, and appeared to give the elderly folk a great deal of pleasure. The most rewarding part was when we were leaving the Home, and the Brownies ALL said, "Oh, Brown Owl that was wonderful! Can we do it again another time?"

-Brown Owl, Whitburn District.





TREFOIL GUILDS-1966-1967

The Annual General Meeting and Social Gathering (and SO IT WAS!) was held on 14th October, 1967, at the Fitzroy Girl Guide Hall, and was attended by between 70 and 80 members. Mrs. May, Victoria's State Recorder, presenting reports on the year's happenings, assured us that the 25 Guilds in Victoria without fail attain the Trefoil Guild's objects: "To keep the Guide Promise and Law alive in their own life; to carry that spirit into the community in which they live and work; and to give support to Guiding." Mrs. May had realised this "aliveness" in the Guilds she had been able to visit.

Victoria now has 25 Trefoil Guilds, with 545 members. The country Guilds are making headway in Geelong, Drysdale, Goulburn Valley, Kerang, Mildura, and the S.W. Division. Ballarat has three Guilds all carrying out their separate ideas and ideals of service.

There has been inter-Guild visiting; overseas visitors have popped in from Guilds in London, Cheshire, Switzerland, Egypt; and a pen-friendship is developing with a Ceylon Guild.

Of the great variety of the individual Guilds' expression of service, there is space only to mention some that are a bit different from those we have heard before:—

Many Guilds are still collecting spectacles for India, and stamps for the Stamp Bank in Norway.

Some are packing parcels (with a variety of contents) for distribution in Port Moresby; one Guild made games to send to the Guides in Papua-New Guinea; another has sent "comforts" to a Children's Hospital in Burma.

Help has been given and continues to Centres for Retarded Children. One of these Centres was given the proceeds of sale of a recipe book compiled by the Guild members; a Guild contributed the money to cover the expenses of two Aboriginal Guides so that they could go to camp.

Regular parcels, including clothing, have been given to the Ministering Children's League; baby-sitting and minding the children while the mothers attend Guiders' trainings—these constitute real service to Guiding.

An unusual and thoughtful service-ploy of one Guild is keeping the Camp Site Logbook up to date.

And, of course, there was the raising of funds for this and that and other worthwhile purposes. A good return in cash came from a 20-cent Barter Night and the sale of garden-cuttings, and a Pound Night at which each Guild member bought somebody else's parcel (weighing a pound avoirdupois) was rather fun.

The Guilds are still overflowing with energy and new enthusiasm instilled by our Chief Guide's visit in May. Her address to 900 L.A. and T.G. members who met together to greet her, filled her hearers with what she calls "oomph."

For our own pondering the Chief gave us the thought that "we should be the Public Relations Branch of the Guide Movement"; she also pointed out that we who are older "need the balance of the younger outlook to bring the Trefoil Guild to its full potential."

Guest speaker was Mr. C. Homer Fraser, President of the Australian Fellowship of Former Scouts and Guides, who told us of the highlights of the recent Durham Assembly.

-F. V. B.



AUSTRALIA

AROUND

THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN STATE BADGE

The State Badge of South Australia is the white-backed Magpie (Gymnorhina hypoleuce; Greek, meaning gymnos, bare; rhinos, nose; hypo, under; leuca, white), which is easily recognisable with its black head and white back which extends almost to the tip of its tail. It is found over southern South Australia and Victoria, south-eastern N.S.W. and Tasmania. This bird is a helpful bird, for it eats and so destroys insects and small snakes. It has a very melodious caroling, which is heard generally at dawn or dusk, and is as pleasant as the song of any other Australian bird, but in the breeding season (July to February) it will swoop and attack people who may come too close to its nest.

Its nest is usually wedged in the fork of a tree, 20 to 60 feet from the ground; it is round and deep and made of twigs, sticks and pieces of wire. If there are no trees around, the magpie will build his nest in a

"During 'Guide Week' one senior group in a New York suburb did a camping demonstration on a vacant business lot. Tents were pitched, gear displayed, and typical camp food cooked over fires and offered to passers-by.

"The pride of the group was to be a cake, baked in a reflector oven built over a fire. All went well with the mixing, and it wasn't until the cake was safely in the oven that anyone realised there wasn't a watch available to time the 25-minute baking.

"So one resourceful girl crossed the footpath to a parking meter where one cent paid for 12 minutes, and deposited two cents.

"When the red flag appeared 24 minutes later the cake was done to perfection.

From "Life's Like That," "Reader's Digest."

hedge, or even on the ground, or even perhaps in a magpie's "maternity home". These are receptacles supplied by the State for the magpie, who will insist on building his nest across the telegraph wires and causing much trouble. The eggs are quite gay, being either greenish blue, often quite pale, or reddish grey with brown steaks across it.

The State of South Australia adopted this bird as the symbol of the State, and in 1927 the Girl Guides Association adopted it for their State Badge. In 1926 it was proposed that South Australia have a badge, and in September a letter was received from the Guiders' Club recommending that the magpie be used. The original idea was that it would be worn by Commissioners and Guiders only. In February, 1927, the magpie was adopted as the State Badge, but it was March, 1928, before the design was completed and accepted, and the initials S.A. added to it.



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The Royal Botanic Gardens MELBOURNE

By R. T. M. Fescott (Director)

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(Continued from November issue)

William Guilfovle, who came to Melbourne Botanic Gardens from Sydney in 1873, brought with him a very widespread knowledge of horticulture, particularly landscaping, obtained from his father, Michael Guilfoyle, a noted English landscaper. Guilfoyle's effect on the Botanic Gardens was immediate - straight, narrow walks gave way to gently curving, wider paths which made the most of the slopes; sweeping lawns, largely of buffalo grass, appeared in place of cultivated areas; large trees from Mueller's Pinetum were moved to other parts of the gardens to form the basis for good landscaping; and a fern and palm gully grew where a drainage swamp was previously.

In all of these things, Guilfoyle showed exceptional ability and initiative for a person only 32 years of age when he was first appointed. His masterly curving of the paths was in the best English tradition, while his extensive planting of the imported buffalo grass showed his appreciation of the need for a hard-wearing grass which would stand the rigours of an Australian summer. These buffalo lawns are still the pride of the Royal Botanic Gardens today. In the successful moving of large evergreen trees from 20 to 30 feet in height, Guilfoyle had perhaps his greatest triumph. It was during the summer of 1874-75 that he undertook the moving of 832 large trees, losing only six in the process. He gives as the reason for his success his observation that ". . . in my opinion in such a changeable climate as this, when a plant is suddenly forced into active growth, and this growth is observed at its commencement, evergreen and even deciduous plants may be lifted if due precautions are taken in digging far enough away from the tree so as to preserve the numerous fibrous roots which are the principal feeders of the tree." The success of his fern gully project was especially significant, as all who knew of his plans for this area predicted failure. Guilfoyle continued with greater enthusiasm than ever the extension of the work he commenced in 1873, taking in additional areas of land to the south and west of the Gardens and developing them all along the same lines.

Looking back critically at Guilfoyle's work, his greatest achievement was undoubtedly his handling of space and distance. Although the Gardens at that time occupied no more than 80 acres, the winding paths and lawns, carefully designed lakes and backdrops of trees of varied shapes, sizes and colour, all produced a feeling of spaciousness, such as would be found in a much greater area. The winding paths all present an anticipation of something different around the next curve. at the same time creating a feeling of distance. The extensive lawns, some of them 10 acres in extent, are separated from one another by paths, and broken up by garden beds containing shrubs and trees. Guilfoyle made certain that, in some areas, only a little was seen at a time with an arousing of curiosity to carry on a little further. This is particularly marked on the southern side of the Princes Lawn.

On the other hand, he created a feeling of vastness by wide stretches of lawn which lead away from the eye across the lake or some green area to finish up in a special group of a specimen tree. This is especially noticeable on the northern section of the Princes Lawn, where, from the beautiful Golden Monterey cypress on the western end, the eye is taken down the hill of the Princes Lawn to the small lake, then up the expanse of the Central lawn to the Melba tree, a golden poplar.

The Oak Lawn, probably the most popular in the Gardens, approaches most nearly the true English park and is therefore always a favourite with visitors from Great Britain and the Continent of Europe.

Guilfoyle, very early in his term as Director, stated in one of his reports, "... to pass gradually from the sub-tropical into the more temperate zone is, in my opinion, one of the chief objects to be kept in view in creating a public Botanic Garden." How well he succeeded in this worthy objective can be seen in very many different positions in the Gardens.

It was at the end of the century, in the period 1897 to 1899, that Guilfoyle was presented with one of his greatest challenges. Prior to this time, the Yarra River meandered lazily around the northern border of the Gardens, creating, on odd occasions, problems of restoration of devastated areas.

However, the decision to straighten the river at this time with the ultimate formation of Alexandra Avenue meant that for the first time an extensive lake became a vital portion of the landscape. Guilfoyle handled this position by transforming an uninteresting back-wash of a lagoon into a beautiful lake. He did this by producing winding bays and headlands, islands with willows on the water's edge, secluded areas for water birds to breed, at the same time producing overall vistas of the Gardens which have never been surpassed.

The Guilfoyle era at the Gardens ended in 1909 when he retired, a very sick man; his death followed in 1912. He must have derived tremendous satisfaction from the Gardens as he last saw them, although those of us who have been privileged to see them in the last decade now realise what Guilfoyle must have visualised in his mind when he planned them nearly 100 years ago. Guilfoyle's pride in his work was well shown at the time of his retirement, when it was suggested that some public memorial be erected to his memory. His remark, when he heard of this proposal was, "These Gardens are my memorial."

The retirement of Guilfoyle in 1909 brought to the Gardens in turn a succession of horticultural specialists and administrators who have endeavoured over the years to maintain the Guilfoyle tradition, and also effect such refinements as become necessary with the increase of knowledge in horticultural science and parks administration.

On 28th June, 1958, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II graciously granted permission for the Gardens to re-designated "The Royal Botanic Gardens, Melbourne" — honouring in a very special way the work of those early planners of such a magnificent garden of whom Arthur Connan Doyle once wrote: "I spend such time as I have in Melbourne Botanic Gardens, which is, I think, the most beautiful place I have ever seen."

What of the future? It is not enough to rest on the laurels of those who have gone before. A Botanic Garden in the truest sense of the world is a scientific institution and first and foremost with an obligation towards the scientific study of plants, their cultivation, their improvement by modern research methods, their acclimatisation in new areas, backed up by an educational programme which will take the results of this research to the public in an easily assimilable form.

In Victoria, we urgently need a second Botanic Gardens — an annexe to the present Royal Botanic Gardens, if you like — where the entire emphasis will be on the growing and improvement of Australian native plants, which have such a horticultural potential. This will be required to be located in the coastal sandy heath country within some 50 to 60 miles of Melbourne. A second essen tial is the establishment of a National Arboretum in the higher rainfall areas of the State, and yet still within easy access of Melbourne. Apart from the scientific and educational value of such institutions, their tourist potential is tremendous.



THE "B.-P. BADGE" OR "YESTERDAY'S SCOUT AND GUIDE"

Can we go forward with "To-morrow's Guide" without first re-discovering for ourselves the original trail laid down by the Founder, Lord B.-P.? Did you realize there is now a "B.-P. Badge" for Guiders?

It was with a view to finding out about this that three Victorians arrived with much trepidation at "Glengarry," the N.S.W. Guide House, one Friday evening in September last year. Here we met thirteen Guiders from N.S.W. and one Queenslander, for the first Australian Training for the "B.-P. Badge."

The session that first evening was entitled "The Basic Needs of Youth To-day." During the week-end Training Sessions followed on B.-P.'s initial ways of fulfilling the needs of the Youth of Yesterday. Sessions on rope, tools, gadget-making, compass and map reading, ceremonial, and, of course, the Promise and Law, with group discussions on how Brownie, Guide, and Ranger Tests apply to these needs TO-DAY.

All the sessions were most interesting and very well organised by the Trainers who led them, and the "B.-P. Badge" could not have been better launched.

For the next six months we were given a choice of books to be read, following the original trail laid down by B.-P. Then written questions to answer, giving our ideas on the books read. The reading was interesting and stimulating, and gave us new ideas we had to try out with our own Units.

At Easter this year we met again at "Glengarry." This time we were all old friends, and prepared for the Challenges which were to STRETCH one's abilities — Physically, Mentally, Emotionally, and Socially. Again the first evening session on "The Basic Needs of Youth To-day," this time with a film to comment on.

Next day we were all divided into pairs for a Pioneering Challenge of a lightweight overnight hike. Having packed our rucksacks and chosen any food we wanted to cook from a table full of stores, we and our packs were weighed on the scales. We then set out to arrive at a certain grid point on the map before nightfall. Do our Guides, when training for "Compass and map-reading" really follow a map to a grid point? Is the test of practical use if they don't? Our adventure involved a compass trail through the bush. The native flora is very lovely at "Glengarry," though the terrain is very rugged. Our trail had us climbing a steep and rocky hillside, with places where we had to manipulate ourselves and our packs through holes and narrow clefts in the rocks. Twice we became lost, but we managed to get our bearings again. We all arrived in time to make our bush shelters for the night, and many and varied these were!

Rising just before dawn, we all met together for prayers, facing the rising sun, while one of the Trainers with a beautiful voice sang—a truly inspiring moment. Then breakfast beside our shelters, and pack-up to retrace our steps down through the rocks again, to a spot by a stream. Here the Challenge continued with ten practical tests on rope-work activities, on which we were assessed. We were also assessed on the fulfilment of our Guide Laws in carrying out all the sections during the whole of the Challenge.

If you have read this far and are thinking: "This is only for the hardy type," I hasten to assure you I am not, and I really enjoyed every minute.

During the whole time each had an individual, continuous project to write and illustrate. These were on some subject one did not like or knew nothing about and which involved observation and research. For instance, my partner, who could not bear insects of any kind, had for her project, "Insects"! Mine was to discover the memorials around "Glengarry," and find out about the people they commemorate.

Another Challenge was on "Tenderfoot Test," and points given for each section carried out. The last day was devoted to Ceremonial in the Brownie Pack, Guide Company, and Senior Branch. Each of us had to take a Ceremony used in our own Branch.

Camp Fires were held each evening, at which each had to teach a new song or tell a yarn. The companionship of these evenings singing and chatting together round the Campfire, where all States joined in Guiding together, was perhaps the highlight of the "B.-P. Badge."

-Y.B.



BRITANNIA PARK

A very happy Christmas holiday from the Britannia Park Committee to all those wonderful people who have helped us during 1967; the friends who have come up to labour there, as well as those who have supported our Maintenance Fund, and, of course, those who have given us gifts in kind, particularly the dozens of plants we have received. If you think the property is looking good, take credit for what you, personally, did for it this year, for without all this help we could do **very** little. We hope that 1968 will bring as much co-operation from you and that it will be as happy a year for the children we serve as 1967 has been.

Help!

We need help to repair many of our blankets which need the proverbial stitch in time. The 175 blankets which we own were all washed at the beginning of November, and the Committee is asking for a couple of L.A.'s to go up to the house and cottage to mend them. With a group it would take only a couple of hours—perhaps some L.A. could plan to do this either early March or late February, on a week-day, of course.

There **are** fairies somewhere in Victoria. . . . In a parcel received by the Trefoil Club Opportunity Shop was a bottle full of money with a note saying that half was for the Shop and half for Britannia Park. We have received our share but . . . whom do we thank? Even fairies should have a receipt.

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Mrs. W. L. Larbey, Division Commissioner for Box Hill South Division, has had what we consider a brilliant idea-that each L.A. in her Division might like to maintain Britannia Park on the day of their Annual Meeting. This gives the Commissioner the opportunity to tell all the parents and friends present about this lovely property which the children own and to accept the fact that they are that day helping to maintain it. We were especially thrilled to see in Mrs. Larbey's letter that she spoke of it as "our" property. It is lovely to see that some of our newer members are beginning to think of it like that. (By the way, sometimes people double-bank on the date on which they maintain the property. Unfortunately it is impossible to avoid this and we hope very much you don't mind. In actual fact, even double-banking does not quite cover the cost of maintaining such a big property.)

Azaleas v. Natives

It has come to our knowledge that some people think that too much emphasis has been placed on Azaleas and not enough on native plants for Britannia Park. Let me assure all those who feel this that dozens of natives have been planted on the property during the last year. These were bought with money given us for the purpose, and we did not appeal for them, as we did for Azaleas. The latter have replaced a terrible tangle of Ivy, Honeysuckle and Laurels in one of the gullies. When the gardens around Continued on page 191



CAMPFIRE SONGS

THE WAYFARER'S GRACE



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FROM JAPAN ...

"The Lord is my pacesetter; I shall not rush, He makes me pause and rest for quiet intervals. He provides me with images of stillness which restore my serenity. He leads me in ways of efficiency through calmness of spirit, and His guidance is peace. Even though I have many things to do each day, I will not fret. For His presence is here, His timelessness, His all importance to keep me balanced. He prepares refreshment and renewal in the midst of my activity by anointing my mind with His oils of tranquility. My cup of joyous energy overflows."

THE TURTLE DOVE

From my sitting room window I look out on my neighbour's pleasant garden. In the far corner is a magnolia tree, in new, green foliage—its white blossoms marked the breaking of Winter.

Last year an Indian dover built her nest here, and has returned again this spring.

When I pass in the street I like to peer up at the grey, brooding bird as she sits quietly on her frail stick nest, hidden by the leaves.

YELLOW BOB

At Ferny Creek this Spring I took my first colour bird photograph. It was a yellow robin's nest, complete with mother bird brooding. The yellow robin is essentially a beginner's subject, it is very trusting.—J.H.

BRITANNIA PARK —Continued from page 189



South Croydon L.A. and "Bill" assist Britannia Park's Chairman.

the pool are finished, they will be 90% natives. So please don't think natives **versus** Azaleas; let's have both.

And please, Guiders, don't forget to water any plants you can. If we can nurse them through this Summer, they should be right.

We would like to thank the following people for their help in maintaining Britannia Park during the month of October:—

1st-1st. 2nd and 3rd. Canterbury Packs. 1st-Montmorency L.A. 3rd-Box Hill District. 4th-Bairnsdale L.A. 5th-Noble Park L.A. 6th-Mount Waverley L.A. 7th-5th Brighton Pack. 9th-Dandenong L.A. 10th-Dandenong L.A. 11th—Dandenong L.A. 12th-Miss D. Holtz. 19th-1st Victorian, Post Trefoil, 20th-1st Pinewood Pack. 21st-Sealake L.A. 22nd-Mrs. C. Osbourn Shave. 23rd—Deer Park L.A. 25th-Bennettswood L.A. 25th-Mt. Waverley Packs and Coys. 27th to 2nd November.-Extension Auxiliary for Handicapped Guides and Brownies. 31st-Mrs. G. Kirk.

Also—Omitted Last Month: August 7th—Syndal L.A.

3rd BENALLA COMPANY'S TENTH BIRTHDAY

Ten years ago 3rd Benalla Company was opened in the Benalla Migrant Centre by Mrs. D. McMillan (then Division Commissioner), at the request of the Director, who wanted to help assimilate girls of Migrant families into Australian life. A Mothers' Committee was formed, with Mrs. Tippett, the Welfare Officer, as President, and Mrs. Varnik as Secretary. They made all the uniforms for the first Guides to be enrolled just in time for them to go to Lady Baden-Powell's Rally at Lancefield.

Later other Guides joined, and these were a great help to the migrant girls. Later the Company moved its meeting place to the Benalla Guide Hall.

A Re-union Birthday Party was recently held at the present Company's Meeting in the Guide Hall. Four Guides doing their "Hostess Badge" greeted people at the door, and a big crowd arrived—one of the Guides who was one of the first enrolled, and several other "old Guides," including three of the Company's nine Queen's Guides, all with their mothers.

The evening began with a welcome to all by Captain, while Lieutenant read greetings and showed a birthday present of a Camp Song Book from our District Commissioner.

Next the Company formed into a Horseshoe for the enrolment of seven new Guides. Afterwards the new Guides presented sprays of flowers to all the "old Guides."

Entertainment proceeded, with dancing and songs from various countries in the World Association, all to guitar accompaniment, and ending with an hilarious action version of the Australian "Snowy River, Roll." Then Captain showed slides of the Company's Camps and activities over the past ten years, with many a "Do you remember this?"

Then supper, with, in pride of place, the birthday cake, made and iced with a golden trefoil by Lieutenant. Commissioner lit the candles, and the eldest and youngest Guides blew them out.

And so to the end with everyone saying "Good-bye; see you in another 10 years!"

NOTICES



ATTENTION-TREFOIL GUILDS

Thinking Day Commemoration Day weekend 1968 has been arranged in conjunction with the Baden-Powell Scout Guilds.

Commencing Friday evening, 23rd February, and finishing on Sunday afternoon, 25th February, the week-end will take place, as last year, on the C.M.S. property at Belgrave Heights.

A varied programme is being preparedand detailed information is now in the hands of all Branches.

Make sure that the Branch Recorder enrols YOU.

TRAINING CALENDAR

During re-building operations Guiders will be notified of the location for Headquarter's courses when acceptance cards are sent out.

HEADOUARTERS COURSES 1968

Details of Headquarters Courses for 1st Terms, 1968, will be published in the next "Matilda."

COUNTRY TRAININGS 1968

It is hoped to arrange Trainings in the following country regions during the first part of next year:-Ballarat, Barwon, Otway, Sunraysia, Western Border, Western Plains.

Training

Wednesday, 27th December-Friday, 5th January.

Location: Britannia Park, Yarra Junction. Fee: \$18.00.

Deposit: \$4.00.

Transport will be provided to and from Yarra Junction.

Further details will be sent to applicants when nominations have closed.

CHURCH PARADE

The Annual Church Parade of the Box Hill South Division Girl Guides was held at St. James' Presbyterian Church, Box Hill South.

Miss D. ADKINS addressed a large appreciative gathering including Councillors and visiting Commissioners.

Later our Division Commissioner, assisted by one of her District Commissioners, and her Local Association, entertained Rev. and Mrs. Howells, guests and Guiders to afternoon tea.

Earlier in the day Catholic members of the Movement, and the guests, also including Councillors and Commissioners, attended Mass at the Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Box Hill, where a topical sermon was preached for the occasion. All members were graciously welcomed by Father J. Kelly. -0. J. S.

GO BACK

"God of the hills, grant me strength to go back to my Guiding without faltering; strength to go back to my task without tiring, and with enthusiasm; strength to help my Guides who may need me.

"God of the seas, grant me Thy peace in fulness, peace to bring into this world of hurry and confusion; grant me self-control for the unexpected emergency, patience for the wearisome task and content to do small things.

"God of the Stars, may I take back the gift of friendship, of love of all; fill me with a great tenderness for the needy person.

"God of the Earth, grant that I may remember the laughter of sunny days, that I may live the truth which Thou has taught me."

-Courtesy of "Coo-ee" and "Courier."



PUBLICATIONS '67

"THE COMMONWEALTH PACK STORY BOOK," written by a former Brownie Adviser to English Headquarters and to the Commonwealth, Ailsa Brambleby, is a most suitable book for Brownie story time.

It contains eight stories about Brownies in different countries of the Commonwealth. Each story is completely different in its plot, but each exciting enough to capture the imagination of any Brownie. Preceding each story is a short preamble about the country where the story is set. The reader, for example, is told how many Brownies there are in India; that a Brownie in India is called a Bulbul, and one in Pakistan is called a Bluebird, and briefly what their uniform is like.

When information like this is followed by a lovely story about Brownies in that country, maybe a little more International training has been given.

This could well be a most useful book in any Pack library, particularly for Thinking day.

-B. L. S.

Keep your temper! No one else wants it!

NEWSLETTERS . . .

A Scout annual meeting in Seymour—a comment about newsletters and/or local contact—a suggestion that the visiting Scout speaker would send copies—and then an invitation to attend the State Scout Seminar for group magazines.

This seminar is designed to help Scouters and troops, many of whom produce their own newsletter, with production and ideas. A "Magazine of the Year" competition is also conducted.

And now? Newsletters in Seymour, more interest it is hoped from parents, stimulation and interests for companies and packs. . . . "Matilda" looks forward to hearing more of District or Division or company newsletters.

NEWS FROM WATTLE PARK ...

Brownies, Guides and Guiders of Wattle Park District spent a very enjoyable weekend at Rupanyup.

We arrived at Rupanyup by train in the early hours of Saturday morning, and later that day 1st Rupanyup Co. organized a barbecue at the Commissioner's farm. After Church on Sunday morning we were taken to the Grampians for a picnic—then back to Melbourne on Sunday afternoon after a wonderful week-end.

-Marilyn Darby, 2nd Wattle Park.

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... AND ELSTERNWICK AND CAULFIELD

Elsternwick and Caulfield Brownie Leaders planned the programme for the Combined District Brownie Revels held at Wattle Park.

A Trip by Bus to Disneyland was the theme for the Revels, and Brownies gained admission by paying into a Treasure Chest and receiving admission emblems featuring Disney characters such as Donald Duck, Mickey Mouse, Pluto, etc.

Games relating to these figures of Disneyland were played, an original story by Helen Allmand, daughter of a Caulfield Brown Owl, was read, and afternoon tea enjoyed.

The Treasure Chest raised \$8.60 for Brownie Cottage.



GUIDE HEADQUARTERS

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RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS Retirements

We acknowledge with gratitude the service given by the following Commissioners whose terms of office have now drawn to a close:-

Division Commissioners:

Mrs. E. J. Angel, Broadmeadows South; Mrs. T. John, Ballarat.

District Commissioners:

Mrs. C. Cox, Doveton; Mrs. R. F. Dixon, Horsham; Mrs. J. A. Cuming, Inglewood.

Resignations

Thanks are also due for the service given by the following Commissioners who have had to resign :-**District Commissioners:**

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