

# THE BHARAT SCOUTS & GUIDES BULLETIN

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## OURSELVES

### **New Members of the Committee**

At the last meeting of the Executive Committee held on the 17th Nov. '57 at the State Headquarters, Mrs. Kunjitham Guruswamy, District Commissioner (Guides) of the Madras Corporation Area, and Superintendent of the Girls Schools, Corporation of Madras was elected unanimously as a member of the Executive Committee in one of the vacancy of the two seats for District Commissioners (Guides) as decided by the State Council.

Mr. Kathi Arunachalam, A.D.C. Ramnad and Mr. N. Venugopal Naicker, Member of the Association and Secretary, Central Industrial

Museum, Madras have been co-opted as members of the Executive Committee for a term of 3 years. We welcome Mrs. Kunjitham Guruswamy, Messrs Kathi Arunachalam and N. Venugopal Naicker as members of the Committee and wish them a very useful career.

### **State Jamboree of Scouts and Guides (Second Class only)**

It was also decided to hold a State Jamboree for Second Class Scouts and Guides in April, 1958 and a Committee consisting of the State Chief Commissioner, State Commissioner (Scouts), State Commissioner (Guides), State Treasurer, State Secretary, Miss G. R. Samuel, Dr. K.

G. Ramabadrán and Sri H. Ramanathan with powers to co-opt was appointed. It was suggested that a suitable site on the banks of Cauvery River should be fixed preferably in the Tiruchy District which may be central for all the Districts in the State. It is hoped that a large number of Scouts and Guides of the Second Class standard and above will attend the Jamboree.

#### **Finance Committee**

A Finance Committee was also appointed consisting of the State Commissioner (Guides), State Treasurer, State Secretary, Mr. T. R. Kothandaram Mudaliar, Asst. State Commissioner and Mr. H. Ramanathan, District Commissioner (Scouts), South Madras with State Treasurer as the Convener.

#### **Awards**

Thanks Badges were recommended to Messrs T. S. Rajam, T. K. Rama, R. Nagaraj of Madurai and Sri Appavu Jain of Conjeevaram. They have done, valuable services to

the movement in their respective Districts.

#### **Students' Rally**

In honour of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, a Students' Rally was held at the Corporation Stadium grounds at Madras on 7-12-57. The Bharat Scouts and Guides, consisting of the Mazumdar Air Rovers, the (land) Scouts, Sea Scouts, Guides and the Rangers of the Queen Mary's College marched past, Pandit Nehru taking the salute. The Officers in charge of the March-past were Miss S. Bakkiamuthu, Miss M. Vadivambal, Miss Rani Williams, Mr. H. Ramanathan, Mr. S. Subramanian, Mr. John Jayaraj and Mr. D. S. Gururaj, supported by the State Organising Commissioners Mr. R. Messiah Doss and Miss C. John.

#### **Mrs. Jadhav felicitated**

The State Headquarters put on a festive appearance on the 9th Dec. '57 when Mrs. Clubwala Jadhav, Chief Commissioner (Guides) India was felicitated on her election

to this high office in the Guide movement in the country.

Commissioners (Scouts and Guides) and Secretaries of the City attended the Tea Party. The State Chief Commissioner Sri K. Venkataswami Naidu spoke of the high qualities of head and heart of Mrs. Jadhav. State Commissioner (Guides) Mrs. D. L. Gopal Ratnam who organised the function on behalf of the Guide section extended a cordial welcome to Mrs. Jadhav and others. Mrs. K. Sundaravadivelu, Headquarters Commissioner thanked the Chief Commissioner and the State Chief Commissioner and others for their presence.

The Guides of the Madras Corporation District gave an entertainment of dance and song under the direction of Mrs. Gopichandra, A.D.C. Corporation District, which was very much appreciated. In her reply the Chief Commissioner (Guides) gave valuable suggestions to develop guiding and Scouting in the country.



**Dr. G. S. ARUNDALE**

December, 1st, is always a memorable day to us because it happens to be Dr. Arundale's Birthday. It is Dr. Arundale who helped Dr. Annie Besant to organise Scouting for Indian boys and girls at a time when the privilege was not extended to them. If today, our movement is strong in the country and has taken deep roots in the soil and grown into a mighty youth organisation catering to the needs of the youths of the land, it is not a little due to the leadership given by Dr. G. S. Arundale. Therefore we owe a great debt of gratitude to him. His leadership will always remain a shining example of love and service for us to follow.

### We stand For

We are specially happy to welcome the services of an experienced Scout Commissioner in the matter of contributing a series of articles on "What our Movement stands for". He does not want to advertise his name. He believes in "unostentatious Service", as he puts it. This series will begin from Jan. '58. We are sure that the articles will be a special feature of our Bulletin and will be of great benefit to our workers.

#### State Organising Commissioner, (Guides)

Miss C. John, has been appointed State Organising Commissioner (Guides). Miss John is an experien-

ced Guide leader. She has to her credit, Campers Licence, Lotus Medal and authorisation as Assistant Deputy Camp Chief. She has run and attended number of Training Camps, both here and in Ceylon, and also attended the Wood Badge Course at Hyderabad recently. She has also worked for the handicapped Section in Blind School and Deaf and Dumb School in Palamcottah. She therefore should be able to take up her work as Organising Commissioner with confidence and do successful work.

We wish her a useful career.

—*Editor.*

## GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

**Health, Education and Local Administration Department**  
Memorandum No. 97293/E1/57-2 Education, dated 24th Oct. '57,  
Sub: Government Servants—Participation in ceremonial functions—Ban—clarification—issued.

Ref: G.O. Ms. No. 2096, Public (Special) dated 8-1-57.  
From the Director of Public Instruction, Re.  
No. 1024 C5/57, dated 4-9-1957.

The Director of Public Instruction is informed that the ban imposed in the Government order read above will **not** apply to the activities of the Bharat Scouts and Guides, which may be taken as "approved activities".

V. RAMASWAMI,  
*Deputy Secretary to Government.*

# THE BHARAT SCOUTS AND GUIDES, MADRAS STATE

## Warrants Issued for the year 1957-58

### SCOUT SECTION

Warrant No.	Date of Issue.	Name	Area
<b>District Commissioners</b>			
53	26- 7-1957	Sri C. Govindan	Nilgiris District
54	11- 9-1957	Capt T. N. Ramaswamy	Tiruchy District
55	8-11-1957	Sri T. M. Kumaraswamy	Coimbatore District
<b>Asst. District Commissioners</b>			
252	21- 8-1957	Sri C. James	Kanyakumari District (General)
253	21- 8-1957	Sri A. Jacob Justus	Kalkulam and Vilvancode Taluks
254	11- 9-1957	Sri S. Sivaramakrishnan	Coimbatore District Board Mathurai
255	11- 9-1957	Sri N. M. R. V. Mahadevan	Thirumangalam, Kalligudi and T. Kalupatty.
256	11- 9-1957	Sri M. Arunachalam	Tirunelveli District (General)
257	11- 9-1957	Sri R. Venkatachari	Tirunelveli and Palamcottah
258	11- 9-1957	Sri K. Venkataraman	Tirunelveli Municipal
259	11- 9-1957	Sri N. S. B. Murthy	

## GUIDE SECTION

### District Commissioners (Guides)

Madras Corporation Dt.  
Madurai District.  
South Madras  
Kanyakumari

7- 9-1957  
14-11-1957  
14-11-1957  
27-11-1957

38  
39  
40  
41

### Assistant District Commissioners

Saidapet Taluk  
Viruchunagar  
Pattukkottai

11- 9-1957  
25- 9-1957  
30-11-1957

57  
58  
59

## Warrants renewed for the year 1957-58, valid upto 31st March, 1958.

S. No.	Warrant No. & Date	Name	Rank	Area
1.	2/ 7-12-51	Mrs. A. Gurupatham	A. D. C.	Gudiyatham.
1.	39/21-5-53	Dr. V. Krishnamurthy	D. C.	South Arcot.
2.	127/21-5-53	Sri S. Ramaswamy Iyengar	A. D. C.	Chidambaram.
3.	129/21-5-53	Sri J. K. R. Subrahmanyam	A. D. C.	Valavanur.
4.	234/ 7-8-56	Sri V. Thiruvengkatachari	A. D. C.	Chidambaram.

### 3. South Arcot (Guides)

NIL

#### 4. Chingleput (Scouts)

1.	74/24-10-52	Sri D. Samuel Guru Raj.	A. D. C.	Saidapet Tk. & Chingleput
2.	75/24-10-52	Sri Edward Samuel	A. D. C.	Kancheepuram.
3.	162/16-11-53	Sri J. D. Devakadaksham	A. D. C.	Madurantakam.
4.	215/15-12-55	Sri P. C. Manicka Raj	A. D. C.	Chingleput.

#### 5. Chingleput (Guides)

1.	30/29-11-54	Miss Grace Solomon	D. C.	Chingleput.
2.	43/ 9- 1-56	Mrs. S. M. Doss	A. D. C.	Chingleput.
3.	49/13- 9-56	Miss T. A. Tilakavathy	A. D. C.	Chingleput.

#### 6. Coimbatore (Scouts)

1.	2/17- 9-51	Sri K. Viswanathan	A. D. C.	Bhavani.
2.	151/14- 7-53	Sri T. S. Ramalingam	A. D. C.	Kollegal.
3.	152/14- 7-53	Sri E. M. Annamalai Pillai	A. D. C.	Erode & Dharapuram.
4.	153/21- 7-53	Sri T. Raja Iyengar	A. D. C.	Coimbatore.

#### 7. Coimbatore (Guides)

1.	25/ 9-12-53	Mrs. I. Roy Chatterjee	D. C.	Coimbatore.
2.	35/14-10-54	Mrs. G. Arulanandam	A. D. C.	Coimbatore.

#### 8. Madras North (Scouts)

1.	51/31- 7-56	Mr. M. Noorudeen	D. C.	North Madras.
2.	238/19- 9-56	Sri N. K. Aravamudan	A. D. C.	North Madras.
3.	239/19- 9-56	Sri A. Natesan	A. D. C.	North Madras.
4.	240/29- 9-56	Sri Meghraj Joshi	A. D. C.	North Madras.

#### 9. Madras North (Guides)

1.	6/ 7-12-51	Miss. G. Joseph	D. C.	North Madras.
2.	19/ 3- 1-53	Miss. M. Phanuel	A. D. C.	North Madras.

- 10. Madras South (Scouts)**  
 Sri H. Ramanathan D. C.  
 Sri S. Subramanian A. D. C.  
 South Madras.  
 South Madras.
- 11. Madras South (Guides)**  
 Mrs. Sundari Subramanian A. D. C.  
 South Madras.
- 12. Madras Central (Scouts)**  
 Sri John J. Jayaraj A. D. C.  
 Sri R. P. Joseph A. D. C.  
 Sri D. S. Mathias A. D. C.  
 Sri S. Raja Ram A. D. C.  
 Central Madras.  
 Central Madras.  
 Central Madras.  
 Central Madras.
- 13. Madras Central (Guides)**  
 Miss S. Bakiamuthu D. C.  
 Miss M. Vadivambal A. D. C.  
 Central Madras.  
 Central Madras.
- 14. Madras West (Scouts)**  
 Sri W. Santanagopalan A. D. C.  
 West Madras.
- 15. Madras West (Guides)**  
 Miss L. Vedanayagani D. C.  
 Mrs. L. Muthiah A. D. C.  
 West Madras.  
 West Madras.
- 16. Madras Corporation (Guides)**  
 Mrs. J. Gopichandra A. D. C.  
 Madras Corporation.
1. 42/17- 8-53  
 2. 224/13- 7-56
1. 53/12-11-56
1. 33/ 6-10-51  
 2. 229/ 2- 8-56  
 3. 235/ 7- 8-56  
 4. 246/11-10-56
1. 26/ 5- 8-56  
 2. 51/11-10-56
1. 65/28- 7-52
1. 7/ 7-12-51  
 2. 7/ 7-12-51
1. 39/ 1- 8-55

## 17. Madras East (Scouts)

1.	5/17- 9-51	Sri M. D. Janardhanam	D. C.	East Madras.
2.	149/13- 7-53	Sri T. S. Santhanam	A. D. C.	East Madras.
3.	181/12- 8-54	Dr. P. Vadhiraja Rao	A. D. C.	East Madras.
4.	225/13- 7-56	Sri R. Elumalai	A. D. C.	East Madras.

## 18. Madras East (Guides)

1.	20/25- 6-53	Mrs. Ahalya Santanam	D. C.	East Madras.
2.	38/ 3- 2-55	Mrs. Lalitha Jayaram	A. D. C.	East Madras.
3.	55, 7- 3-57	Mrs. K. Rajeswari	A. D. C.	East Madras.

## 19. Mathurai (Scouts)

1.	30/16-10-51	Dr. K. G. Ramabadrar	D. C.	Mathurai.
2.	141/ 5- 6-53	Sri P. S. Ramasubramaniam	A. D. C.	Mathurai City Central.
3.	166/16- 1-54	Sri D. I. Ratnaswamy	A. D. C.	Usilampatti Local Area.
4.	168/16- 1-54	Sri D. S. Chelliah	A. D. C.	Theni & Chinnamanur Area.
5.	179/ 6- 8-54	Sri S. Theertham	A. D. C.	Mathurai City East.
6.	180/ 6- 8-54	Sri T. S. Raju	A. D. C.	Mathurai City North.
7.	201/ 6- 1-55	Sri K. S. Sampath	A. D. C.	Organisation.
8.	204/22- 7-56	Sri K. Rajagopal	A. D. C.	Mathurai (Service)
9.	206/22- 7-55	Sri N. Ocha Thevar	A. D. C.	Nilakottai Tk.
10.	251/ 5- 2-57	Sri K. Ramalingam	A. D. C.	Mathurai City South.

## 20. Mathurai (Guides)

1.	44/ 9- 1-56	Mrs. Kamala Samuel	A. D. C.	Mathurai.
2.	54/ 3- 2-57	Mrs. Viola Raj	A. D. C.	Mathurai.

- 21. Nilgiris (Scouts)**
- |    |             |                 |          |                    |
|----|-------------|-----------------|----------|--------------------|
| 1. | 79/29-10-52 | Sri Eric Willy  | A. D. C. | Ooty Municipality. |
| 2. | 92/ 3-12-52 | Sri A. Krishnan | A. D. C. | Kotagiri.          |
- 22 Nilgiris (Guides)**
- |    |             |                            |       |           |
|----|-------------|----------------------------|-------|-----------|
| 1. | 34/13- 7-56 | Mrs. R. E. MacLaine Clarke | D. C. | Nilgiris. |
|----|-------------|----------------------------|-------|-----------|
- 23. Ramanathapuram (Scouts)**
- |    |              |                       |          |               |
|----|--------------|-----------------------|----------|---------------|
| 1. | 47/12-11-55  | Sri A. R. Arunachalam | D. C.    | Ramnad.       |
| 2. | 42/16-10-51  | Sri Kathi Arunachalam | A. D. C. | Ramnad.       |
| 3. | 43/16-10-51  | Sri K. Visveswaran    | A. D. C. | Ramnad.       |
| 4. | 44/16-10-51  | Sri K. S. Seshadry    | A. D. C. | Sivaganga.    |
| 5. | 219/30-12-55 | Sri T. M. Kanthimathi | A. D. C. | Virudhunagar. |
- 24. Ramanathapuram (Guides)**
- |    |             |                   |       |         |
|----|-------------|-------------------|-------|---------|
| 1. | 34/13- 7-56 | Mrs. T. Vargheese | D. C. | Ramnad. |
|----|-------------|-------------------|-------|---------|
- 25. Salem (Scouts)**
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|----|--------------|----------------------|----------|---------------|
| 1. | 7/17- 9-51   | Sri S. V. Lakshmanan | D. C.    | Salem.        |
| 2. | 23/19- 9-51  | Sri C. M. Malliah    | A. D. C. | Kelamangalam. |
| 3. | 51/11- 1-52  | Sri P. G. Jayaraman  | A. D. C. | Salem.        |
| 4. | 139/ 5- 6-53 | Sri G. Narasimhan    | A. D. C. | Salem.        |
| 5. | 170/ 1- 2-54 | Sri K. Varadarajan   | A. D. C. | Salem.        |
| 6. | 223/13- 7-56 | Sri S. Srinivasan    | A. D. C. | Namakkal.     |
| 7. | 244/11-10-56 | Sri M. Vadivelu      | A. D. C. | Attur.        |
| 8. | 245/11-10-56 | Sri B. V. Srinivasan | A. D. C. | Salem Town    |

## 26. Salem (Guides)

Mrs. R. Seethalakshmi	D. C.	Salem.
Mrs. K. Kurses Begum	A. D. C.	Salem.

## 27. Tanjore West (Scouts)

Sri A. Y. S. Parisutha Nadar	D. C.	West Tanjore.
Sri G. Deva Irakkam	A. D. C.	West Tanjore.
Sri P. Srinivasan	A. D. C.	West Tanjore.
Sri H. Krishnamoorthy	A. D. C.	West Tanjore.
Sri V. G. Kaliaperumal	A. D. C.	West Tanjore.
Dr. V. K. Pandian	A. D. C.	West Tanjore.
Sri M. Swaminathan	A. D. C.	West Tanjore.
Sri A. Swayambu	A. D. C.	West Tanjore.

## 28. Tanjore (Guides)

Mrs. Indira Nagarajan	D. C.	Tanjore East & West Dts.
Mrs. V. Savithri	A. D. C.	Tanjore West.
Mrs. Edwards	A. D. C.	Tanjore East.
Mrs. H. M. Pandian	A. D. C.	Tanjore West.
Mrs. K. G. Mangalam	A. D. C.	Tanjore West.

## 29. Tanjore East (Scouts)

Sri J. S. Nesayya	D. C.	East Tanjore.
Sri K. S. Sundaresan	A. D. C.	East Tanjore.
Sri S. Balasubramaniam	A. D. C.	East Tanjore.
Sri K. Varadharajan	A. D. C.	East Tanjore.
Sri A. V. Ramanathan	A. D. C.	East Tanjore.

## 30 Tiruchirappalli (Scouts)

Sri A. D. M. Prakasam	A. D. C.	Musiri.
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1. 29/19-11-54
2. 46/14- 3-56

1. 27/ 6-10-51
2. 88/ 3- 1-53
3. 89/ 3- 1-53
4. 90/ 3- 1-53
5. 91/ 3- 1-53
6. 226/13- 7-56
7. 227/13- 7-56
8. 228/13- 7-56

1. 32/ 2-11-53
2. 7/12-12-51
3. 40/ 1- 8-55
4. 41/ 1- 8-55
5. 45/ 3- 2-56

1. 26/ 6-10-51
2. 48/16-10-51
3. 49/16-10-51
4. 73/24-10-52
5. 183/27- 9-54

1. 248/ 8-11-56

### 31. Tiruchirappalli (Guides)

Mrs. Lily Charles  
Miss. Ponnamal

Tiruchy.  
Tiruchy.

1. 21/17- 9-55
2. 24/17- 9-53

### 32. Tinnevelly (Scouts)

Sri T. V. Arumugham  
Sri A. S. B. Philip

Tinnevelly.  
Palamcottah & Melapalayam.

1. 33/25- 8-52
2. 230/ 7- 8-56

### 33. Tinnevelly (Guides)

Miss G. Pakenham Walsh  
Miss Elizabeth M. Swingle

Tinnevelly  
South Tinnevelly.

1. 37/20- 2-57
2. 22/ 4- 9-53

1. It is suggested that one should not hold more than one Office, to admit of greater concentration and to enable more workers to share the work.
2. It is also recommended that every Commissioner should try his best, to run a Group, of his own.

(BY ORDER)

V. S. RATNASABHAPATHY,  
*State Secretary.*

**MRS. MARY C. JADHAV,**

**M. L. G., J. P.,**

*Chief Commissioner (Guides) &  
Sheriff of Madras.*

Philroy,  
Nungambakkam High  
Road,  
Chetput, Madras-31.

writes

I have great pleasure in greeting you as your newly elected Chief Commissioner (Guides) and I thank you and your State for the honour done in electing me to this highest office in the Guide World and I hope with all your support and guidance to fulfill my duties to the best of my ability and to further this great, unique and wonderful movement.

The census figure given in our Diary for 1957 under the Guide Section shows:—

1953-54  
68,118

1954-55  
83,342

1955-56  
91,999

You can see how rapidly our Guide figures are increasing each year. I hope that in the coming year we shall have attained the one lakh mark.

Now that I have taken over the post of Chief Commissioner (Guide) a new International Commissioner (G, India) will be appointed. I would like to take this opportunity of thanking you for all the support and co-operation that I have received from all States in the setting up of International Committees. I trust the other States who have not done so, will do so ere now.

I am now giving extracts of materials which I just received from the World Director Dame Leslie:—

**Thinking Day—22nd February, 1958:** In sending her greetings for 1958 Dame Leslie conveys gratitude for the generous response for more money.

She writes:—

“Once more, therefore, may we ask you to accept this letter as an expression of tremendous gratitude as well as conveying our warmest Thinking Day greetings.”

At the time of writing this, some countries are still celebrating Centenary Year and a special appeal has gone out for funds to provide a new Home for our Ark and the World Bureau. She adds in her letter the following:—

“In conclusion, may we add that it is because of the Thinking Day Fund and all it has meant and done for

the promotion of Guiding and Girl Scouting all over the World that this very lovely prayer by Rabindranath Tagore bears even greater significance and might serve as an inspiration to Guides and Girls Scouts everywhere :

“ Thou hast made me known to friends whom I know not  
 Thou hast given me seats in homes not my own.  
 Thou hast brought the distant near and made a brother  
 of the stranger .....

Through birth and death, in this world or in others, where  
 ever  
 Thou leadest me, it is Thou, the one companion of my  
 endless  
 Life, who ever linkest my heart with bonds of joy to the  
 unfamiliar. When one knows Thee, then alien there is  
 none,  
 Then no door is shut”

Dame Leslie has further given a report on the ways in which Thinking Day contributions have been spent in 1957.

I hope in the coming three years of which I have the pleasure and honour to serve the Movement as Chief Commissioner, Guides, that it would be possible for me to tour all States, meet with the Commissioners and the children and others.

I would like to mention that the Indian Council of Child Welfare dealing with all work for children and schemes for children in our country is an organisation with which we can collaborate with all forms of service by our young Guides to the young people in these institutions. In many States the Guides are assisting in entertainments, camps, sponsoring groups, flocks and helping handicapped children. Perhaps these may have already been undertaken by some States but these may be considered by other States also. I also know that in Delhi State the Bharat Scouts and Guides are participating in the Small Savings Scheme.

I had requested Mrs. Mazumdar to kindly continue as Deputy Chief Commissioner on the 3rd November but she regretted her inability as she had sent her resignation on the evening of the 2nd to Mr. Vivian Bose. I again requested her on the 7th but she declined. We shall be informing you in due course of the selection of a new Deputy Chief Commissioner.

With Guide greetings to you, your State President, State Commissioner, Guides and Scouts and your Council, Commissioners, A.D.C. the Bul-buls, Guides and Rangers.

Yours in Service,  
 MARY JADHAV,  
 Chief Commissioner (Guides)

# Cricket Team - work and discipline

## NAYUDU'S ADVICE TO YOUNGSTERS

Col. C. K. Nayudu, former India Cricket Captain, who is now in Madras in connection with the Rajkumari Amit Kaur Coaching Scheme, broadcast a talk on cricket from the Madras Station of the All India Radio on the night of December, 4. In the course of his talk he paid a handsome tribute to the cricket tradition of Madras.

Addressing young players, Col. Nayudu said :

“What I would like to impress on many of the young cricketers who are not likely to be with me, is the need for developing a sound mind in a sound body which I think is very important. Discipline plays an equally important part in shaping you both as a good citizen and as good player. If you learn to obey rigidly your captain in the same way as you will obey your class teacher, you will ultimately become a good leader yourself. If you do not follow this principle, but wish to become a leader, you will find that you will have no following. More than what you do in the field of play, what you do off it is important. It is not enough if you make a hundred or take seven or eight wickets but how you achieved them and how modestly you take your success are very very important. I mean character is very very

**important.** If this game does not help you build character, it is not worth playing.

### Physical Fitness

“I hold that the most essential thing you must possess is physical fitness, hundred per cent. If you are not physically fit you will be letting yourself down as well as your side. When I say the side, I lay great emphasis on team-work. Cricket is not an individual game although a few individual performances make for success, but it is out and out a team game. You have to knit yourselves into a perfect unit if at all you wish to succeed. Therefore this game is so very interesting and entertaining.

### Emphasis on Fielding

“In bowling and batting you may have your off-days, but remember you can never have an off-day in fielding, which unfortunately few realise. A good fielding side will make an ordinary bowling combination appear formidable. But an indifferent fielding team will make formidable bowling look mediocre. Fielding must be a must in your equipment.

-Cricket teaches you how to fight to the last. Do not give up any match as lost until the last ball has been bowled. Be always ready to take advantage of any luck that may come

your way and press it home. Have firm determination, full concentration and the dynamic will to give your very best to the team as long as the match lasts".

Col. Nayudu concluded; "Play this game in the way it should be played. Be cheerful whether you win or lose, accept defeat with a smile and

bear victory with modesty. Don't argue with the umpire if the decision goes against you. You will find that sometimes you have received decisions in your favour".

Col Nayudu's talk has many valuable hints to us in the Scout and Guide movement.

— Editor —

## SCOUTS AND VEGETARIANISM

Sir,—While fresh stress is being laid on the cult of vegetarianism now, the contribution of Scouting to the cause is not much known. Lord Baden-Powell, in his first edition of "Scouting for Boys" published in 1908, gives the following piece of advice to Scouts :

A good many illnesses come from over eating or eating the wrong kind of food. A Scout must know how to take care of himself, else he is of no use. He must keep himself light and active, by taking the right kind of food. Eustace Miles, the ex-tennis champion, never eats meat. English people as a rule eat more meat than is necessary ; in fact they could do without it altogether if they tried, and they would be none the worse. It is an expensive luxury. The Japanese are as strong as Englishmen are ; but they do not eat any meat and only eat small meals of other things.

R. Srinivasa Iyengar.

Coimbatore.

# Patrol Leaders

## OUR IMPORTANT LINK IN THE CHAIN

"Wanted-Leaders" - is a cry heard every where - all over the the World! Where to find them? When to train them?

To a Board of Directors an enthusiastic Principal of an Institution was giving a glorious report of the splendid success achieved during her first period of office. The first question asked by the Board was "Well, - Whom are you training to take your place"?

The question came as a shock. "But - but - (What ingratitude. They don't appreciate my work. I must carry on for some more years if this high standard is to be kept up. None of the assistants can come up to the mark. They have no ideas, no originality). Perhaps this was the reply trembling on her tongue.

From the time we take up any responsibility, we should begin to train another one to step into our place when any emergency comes. This is real Leadership. This is "Being Prepared". If the work we organised successfully for several years, collapses the moment we leave the scene, it reveals, that we failed miserably in the very important task - that of training others to carry on.

**PATROL LEADERS** - How far do they hold the "Petrol" of the Patrol - that, **DYNAMIC POWER**?

Central Madras District Association had planned and made

provision for their Patrol Leaders to have a Training day just by themselves to see a little of the powerful magic they have in their hands - to obey before they can make others obey, to control themselves in order to keep the Patrol in control.

It was from Monahan Girls' High School and Church Park High School - these enthusiastic youngsters trooped into Wenlock Park on Saturday 30-11-57 with their ropes, notes and lunch packets not forgotten! In the morning Miss Gwen Clarke from the School for the Deaf, Mylapore gave them very useful teaching about their responsibilities and duties as Patrol leaders and how best they can assist their Guide Captains. They enjoyed learning new songs and games. In the afternoon they tried out some new compass games. It was great fun to see how they came forward to conduct those games, gaining confidence and a sense of discipline.

After an exhaustive day of intense training, when their respective Guiders came to take them home, these youngsters were requesting them to be allowed to conduct some competitive game they themselves had thought out! It was thoroughly enjoyed by the girls as well as by their officials in-charge:

My thanks are due to Central Madras Commissioners,

(Guides) Miss S. Bakkiamuthu and her Assistant District Commissioner Miss M. Vadivambal and Church Park School for the happy time I had with the 38 Patrol Leaders.

### Some Games played

#### Spotting The Sattelite

1. Guides run about - Guider calls out "The Sattelite is seen in the - EAST" The players quickly turn to the east, stand still, pointing to the east. The first player to take the correct position is given a point. The Guider calls out "The Sattelite is seen in the SOUTH-WEST - etc.," The player who gets the most points wins.

It is great fun when the Guider calls out "The Sattelite FLOPS" and the players fall flat on the ground!

2. "The Ship Sails" - Patrols stand in files, holding on to the one in front, to re-

present ships. The Guider calls out "The Ship sails - NORTH-EAST". The ships quickly take position heading north-east. (If the Patrol leaders turns to the direction called out the whole Patrol can quickly swng into file behind her). Points given to the first Patrol **that takes the correct direction.**

3. "The Wind blows" - As in the previous game patrols stand in files holding on to the one in front - The Guider calls out "The wind is blowing from the - SOUTH". (South wind carries the ship to north, so the Patrols turn to the NORTH) Points are given to the patrol that takes the correct position first. This game helps the Guides to locate the compass point exactly opposite to the one called out, and thus a more thorough grasp of compass points is gained.

C. JOHN

*State Organising Commissioner. (G)*

### "THE SEASON IS ON"

Madras has put on a gay appearance with flowers and smiling faces all round; (inspite of the struggles for human existence). This means that the Season is on. Busy preparations are going on for activities of various types, such as, Conferences, Conventions, Seminars and meetings besides entertainments and concerts etc. usual during the Christmas week. Our hearty greetings to you and our very best wishes for a happy and useful year in 1958.

*-Editor*

## DISTRICTS AT WORK

### TIRUCHIRAPALLI

#### N. C. B. Aryan Secondary School, Tiruchy

The Scout Week of our troop was celebrated from 26-11-57 to 2-12-57. Sri K. V. Ratnam, District Secretary, Bharat Scouts and Guides, Tiruchirappalli, inaugurated the Scout Week. Messrs. Sri T. N. Krishnamoorthi Iyer, B. A., L. T., Headmaster, of our school, Sri T. S. Paramasiva Iyer, B. A., L. T., Assistant, N. C. H. Tiruchy, Dr. S. V. Radhakrishna Sastrigal, Sri Jayaraman, Rover Leader, Shivaji Rover Crew, Tiruchy, and Sri K. S. Krishnamoorthi Rao, B. A. L. T., Assistant N. C. H. S. Tiruchy, participated in the week.

On 1-12-57 the troop celebrated the "Parents Day" Sri A. D. M. Prakasam, Assistant District Commissioner, Secretary J. R. C. Tiruchy unveiled the portraits of "Henry Dunant" and Baden Powell and opened an exhibition organised by the Scouts. He spoke on "Red Cross and Scouting".

Sri T. V. Vasudevan, Scoutmaster welcomed the gathering and Sri Ananthanarayanan, Assistant Scout Master proposed the vote of thanks.

### NILGIRIS DISTRICT

A Rally was held at Nanjanadu District Board High School ground on Wednesday the 13th November 1957 at 3-30 p.m. when Dr. H. S. Lowrence District Educational Officer, Nilgiris addressed the Scouts. Sri V. P. Ramaswami, A. D. C. C. taught, Scouts games and Scout tests etc. The Headmaster proposed vote of thanks.

Universal Children's day was celebrated by the Scouts, Guides, and Bulbuls on Thursday the 14th November 1957 at 10-30 A. M. at M. M. H. E. School ground, Kullakombai, when Mrs. H. E. Maclaine-Clarke, District Commissioner (Guides) presided. Mrs. Sundar Raj, Guide Captain welcomed the audience. Flag was hoisted by the District Commissioner (Guides), and presented the Badges

to 11 Guides when Mrs. Hepsibah Asst. Guide Captain conducted the enrolment ceremony in Tamil. Display of Guide Law, song, mass Drill by Scouts, Ring Drill by Bulbuls, Kolattam by Guides, & Fancy Dress were held.

Mr. Chinnaswami, President, Melur Panchayat Board spoke on the significance of the day. Mrs. R. E. Maclaine Clarke, District Commissioner Guides spoke on Mr. Nehru's life very briefly, and spoke about her experience of the centenary World Jamboree held at London in August.

### COIMBATORE

#### Doings of the District

The Annual General Body meeting of the District Association was held on 20th November, 1957 under the presidency of Sri T. T. Ratnasabhapathy Pillai Sri S. Arulanantham, Secretary presented the Annual Report. The following were elected:—

President: Sri T. M. Lakshminarayanan, I.A.S., District Collector.

Vice-Presidents: 1. Sri T. T. Ratnasabhapathy, Pillai, 2. Mrs. Savithri Shanmugam, M. L. A. 3. Sri N. Mahalingam, M. L. A. 4. Mrs. Rajeswari Ramakrishnan.

After chalking out a programme to be followed in the coming year, the meeting terminated

### MADURAI DISTRICT

A meeting of all Scouters and Guides of Mathurai City was held on 9-12-1957 at the Madura College High School grounds, Madurai.

After prayers Sri N. D. Sundaravadivelu, State Scout Commissioner and Director of Public Instruction, Madras invested Mrs J Isaacs as the District Guide Commissioner and Messrs. M. Arunachalam and N. M. R. V. Mahadevan as Assistant District Scout Commissioners in a short and solemn ceremony.

Sri R. Nagaraj, Vice-President of the Association who presided wel-

comed the Chief Guest and the other Educational Officers.

Dr. K. G. Ramabadrán, the District Scout Commissioner in his speech related the various aspects of Scouting and how they relied upon help from the State Association and the Educational Department for promoting Scouting in the District.

Sri N D Sundaravadeivelu, in his address, stressed the need for Scouting in the educational system. He said that education was not mere

development of brain and brawn alone but development of discipline and character and therefore Scouting which strives to form the character of the youth and instil discipline in them, makes itself an essential part of the activities of any educational institution.

Sri P. S. Ramasubramaniam, Asst. District Scout Commissioner proposed a vote of thanks and the meeting concluded with the singing of the National Anthem.

## ACORN GREW TO TREE FOR BOYS TO CLIMB

Sutton, Coldfield, England.

In 1900 Robert Baden-Powell, the youngest Major General in the British Army, was a national hero. During the war between the Boer Republic and the British Government in South Africa in 1899 he had defended the small but strategic town of Mafeking against overwhelming odds for the astonishing period of 217 days.

It was then that General Baden-Powell's reputation as an Army scout and his writing on military scouting principles suddenly fired the enthusiasm of the youth of his own country. He became their hero and unwittingly the founder of the Boy Scout movement.

The beginnings of this movement as such were spontaneous, following events in which General Baden-Powell played a prominent part. In 1907 he

held an experimental camp for boys, and in the following year he published a fortnightly series called "Scouting for Boys." These booklets, of a strictly non-warlike nature, were destined to interest boys especially those living in the industrial cities—in the beauties of the countryside.

### Momentous Decision

The booklets sold by the thousand, and before long boys and girls—were forming themselves into unofficial patrols of Scouts.

General Baden-Powell had intended "Scouting for Boys" not as the text book of a new youth movement but as a stimulus to already existing organizations. However, the number of Scouts so grew that he was faced with a momentous personal decision.