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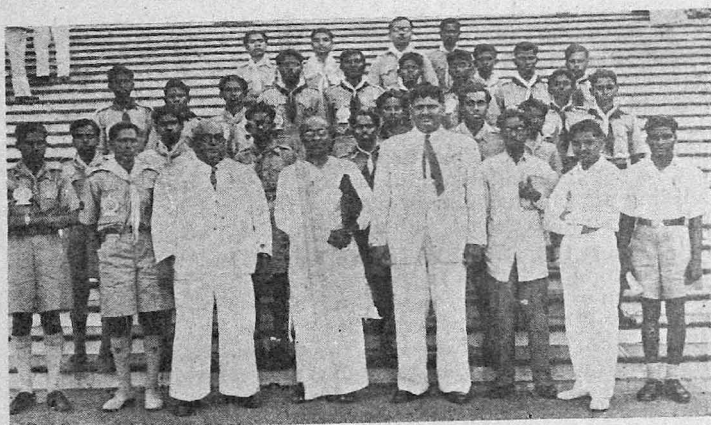
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OURSELVES

THE State Headquarters is a beehive of activities. The District Association of East Madras—the Groups in the District have been holding their Annual meetings, competitions and such activities, these months. The Divisional Council is holding its Competitions for the Districts of Madras City just now, as we go to the press. The Central Madras and the North Madras, have held their annual meetings already. The Corporation District Association has just completed two Training Courses, one for Cubmasters and another for Flock Leaders at the Besant Scout Camping Centre at which they have trained 24 Cubmasters and 32 Flockleaders. The Camps were run by Mr. M. Ram Mohan, and Miss S. P. Durairaj, respectively.

The Corporation District held a Scouters' and Guiders' Conference attended by 310 Scouts and Guide Officers, under the Presidency of Mr. V. N. Subbarayan, Commissioner of the Corporation and the President of the Association. Mr. V. S. Ratnasabhpathy, addressed the Conference.

65 Flock leaders and 20 Guide Captains attended a series of Saturday Training Courses held at Wenlock Park under the guidance of Miss S. P. Durairaj.

State Headquarters building which is regarded as one of the beautiful Scout Headquarters by the foreign visitors particularly, is now being remodelled and a hall is being added to permit holding of Committee meetings and indoor games. The Government has undertaken this improvement at our request.

Under the Social Welfare Board, India, funds necessary for running a childrens' play ground at the South-east corner of our grounds has been sanctioned. The play ground will be equipped with the Sea-Saw, the Swing, the Slide Board etc. The building as it is overlooking the sea is proving its usefulness in an increasing measure. Being summer months the Swimming Pool when ready will add a further attraction to our Scouts and Guides.

The A. P. R. O. Revision Committee

The Committee of five constituted by the National Executive to revise the A.P.R.O. met at New Delhi, National Headquarters on 27th and 28th February 1954. Mrs. Molina Dutt, State Commissioner, Guides, West Bengal, Sardar Hardial Singh, State Secretary, Punjab, Sri V. S. Ratnasabhpathy, State Secretary, Madras, Sri K. G. Vaidyanathan, National Secretary, Convener, Sri D. P. Joshi, Joint National Organising Commissioner, Scouts, (by invitation) attended the meetings.

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Founder's Day—22nd February, 1954

MESSAGE

ON the occasion of the 97th anniversary of the Birth of the Founder of the Scout Movement, Lord Baden-Powell, I send greetings to all Scouts and Scouters in all the Member-Associations.

Only a few years remain before the Scout Movement will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary and at the same time the centenary of the Birth of B.P. I hope all Associations will during these remaining years review their policies, programmes and methods with a view to ensuring their adequacy to conditions as they exist in the World of our time.

Such a study of our strength and weaknesses will provide information upon which sound plans may be developed for the further growth of the Movement during its second half century. Let us hold the mirror to ourselves and conscientiously determine whether we are or are not satisfied with Scouting as it is, not as we dream it to be.

I have no doubt such a self examination will encourage us all to recapture the full meaning and worth of the basic principles and unalterable fundamentals which our Founder bequeathed us. Such re-inspiration will give us strength and enthusiasm to take the joys and benefits of our movement to the thousands of boys of the World who want to be Scouts.

Let us hold up the mirror to ourselves—let us not be dismayed but rather let us grasp the opportunities that wait our hand.

D. C. SPRY,

Director, International Bureau

Madras Tonekala Camp Helps 'Others First'

By Jaiboy Joseph

Amoebic cyst (a malignant growth) in the intestine is hope-killing, particularly in a child. Yet that was Devaraj's plight, till he met a friend who could help. The friend was not one of his street fellows but a drugstore-keeper who knows all the waifs in his locality. This man was linkman for Tonekala Camp, 15 miles from Madras, a unique life-saving and citizen-building centre in South India. Camp operators took charge of Devaraj, referred him to doctors, and later put him on a nourishing diet in the camp's convalescent home till he became strong and well.

This is but one of the activities of Tonekala Camp, a year-round camping centre, which distributes free rice and milk daily to needy village kids in seasons of bad harvest.

The camp, run and operated by a local committee, is mainly financed by U.S. and Canadian well-wishers. U.S. funds include not only money from private philanthropists; but donations collected from American children in many camps. Camping is a large-scale institution in the United States attracting millions of young Americans annually.

Last year U.S. and Canadian donors sent Rs. 6,000. This year the operators expect more.

In direct charge of the camp is a Canadian, Wallace Forgie who has wide camping and teaching experience.

Tonekala Camp was started in 1935 under the inspiration of Mr. Forgie, who has since then lived at the camp site guiding day-to-day work. Every year some 50 sessions are conducted. Campers bring their beds and foodstuff. Camp owners supply tents and cooking utensils and pay transport expenses. In return, campers pay two annas each.

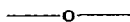
"Tonekala" in Red Indian means "Others First." By a happy coincidence those who gave the name discovered that in Tamil a remarkably similar word, "Thanakalla," means "Not For Self," a phrase which has caught the imagination of many a villager who now knows the camp as a place of help and succour.

Tonekala Camp, primarily for needy children, is used also by Cubs, Scouts Girl Guides and citizenship-training groups, who find it an ideal place for work and recreation.

Fifteen acres of wooded camp site are divided into playing fields, swimming pool, kitchens, tent spaces, convalescent home, storerooms, wells and vegetable gardens. Village boys cultivate vegetable patches and make money selling produce. Mr. Forgie, his assistant Perumal and a few helpmates dig and clean in the camp as a matter of daily routine.

Registrar of the Camp. F.T. Pithavandian, living in Madras, books camps. Along with Mr. Forgie, he is in touch with the linkmen who round up waifs for camps and medical treatment. If it is decided that a newsboy in a locality should be given a break, the linkman, who is usually a storekeeper, bookseller, or any stable job-holder with the common touch in a locality, gets the boys together.

It is a tough, full-time job maintaining the camp, but Mr. Forgie and his assistants know through long experience that every ounce of effort means new and better lives for boys who have none to care for them.



Districts at work

BHARAT SCOUTS AND GUIDES, MAYURAM

A rally of Scouts, Cubs, Guides, and bulbulus was held on the Rajanhattam grounds on Saturday the 13th ultimo in honour of the visit of Sri K. Venkatasami Naidu, State Chief Commissioner, Bharat Scouts and Guides, Madras State. About 675 Scouts and Guides drawn from 30 schools in Mayuram and Kuttalam took part.

The association colour party hoisted the National Flag and the State Chief Commissioner took the salute. He then inspected the parade. Sri T. M. Venkataramaniah, Treasurer, Bharat Scouts and Guides, Mayuram, presided over the meeting. Crisp entertainment items were given and they were very much appreciated by the State Chief Commissioner and those present. In his speech the S.C.C. stressed the need for discipline and character among the boys in general and scouts and guides in particular. The scouts and guides have a great task before them in striving their utmost to serve the country. The S.C.C. appreciated the good work done by the scouts and guides of this area. Sri M. R. Rajagopalan, Secretary, Bharat Scouts and Guides, Mayuram, proposed a vote of thanks.

1—3—1954, }
MAYURAM }

M. R. RAJAGOPALAN
Secretary

NORTH MADRAS

The 22nd anniversary of the North Madras Bharat Scouts and Guides District Association was celebrated on March 3 in the premises of the Bishop Corrie Middle School, Broadway, Mr. N. S. Arunachalam, Collector of Madras, presiding. Mr. C. S. Natesa Mudaliar welcomed the gathering and Srimathi K. Sakunthala, Honorary Joint Secretary of the Association, presented the annual report, Srimathi Ahalya Santhanam distributed the trophies awarded to different School-teams in the various competitions held during the year. Mr. N. Lakshmanaswami proposed a vote of thanks.

SOVIET CULTURAL DELEGATION

In connection with the performance of the dance and songs programme by the Cultural delegation from Russia at Kala Mantap, service was rendered by the Scouts of East Madras District, 100 in number under the leadership of the District Commissioner, Mr. M. D. Janardhan on 15th February 1954. A gathering of nearly 6,000 witnessed the dance performance, and the District Association of East Madras deserves every praise for this successful service.

CENTRAL MADRAS

The 24th Annual Scout Rally and public meeting were held at the Wesley High School grounds on February 13, Mr. Justice A. S. P. Aiyar presiding. About 600 Scouts and Guides participated in the Rally. Mr. Kazim Khaleeli welcomed the president. Mr. K. M. Koshy, Secretary, read the annual report. Mr. M. Nooruddin, Assistant District Scout Commissioner, read the messages received wishing the function success.

Presiding over a rally of Cubs, Scouts and Bulbuls held at the Pallavaram parade grounds on February 13, Mr. K. Rajaram Naidu, Minister for Local Administration, appealed for public support to the Scout movement in the country. Messrs. N. D. Sundaravadivelu, Deputy Director of Public Instruction, G. E. Muthirulandi, District Collector, and T. Purushothaman, M.L.C., addressed the scouts. Earlier, Mr. R. Messiah Doss presented a report on Scout activities in Chingleput district. Mr. P. T. Jagannatha Iyengar proposed a vote of thanks. The day's function was inaugurated by Mrs. I. L. Chambers under the presidentship of Mr. T. R. Kothandarama Mudaliar.

In connection with the Arudra festival a service camp was run under the auspices of the Chidambaram Local Association of the Bharat Scouts and Guides for three days from the 19th to the

21st instant. The rovers and the members of the Rural Civic and Social Welfare Organization of the Annamalai University and the scouts and scouters of the Ramaswami Chettiar's Town High School, Sri Arumuga Navalar High School, Sri Ramakrishna Vidyasala and the Government Nandinar High School, numbering 75 in all participated. The campers were housed in the Sri Arumuga Navalar High School. Besides guiding the pilgrims and regulating the crowd, which was unprecedented this year, three first aid units were organized of which one was mobile.

The camp broke up at 3 P.M. on the 21st instant after tea. Sri S. Ramaswami Aiyangar, Assistant District Commissioner was AT HOME to the campers.

Yours in scouting,

V. RAJAGOPALAN.

Joint Secretary.

OBSTACLE EXPEDITION

1. Cross the River about 12 feet broad and 25 feet deep and full of Crocodiles—by any methods you like. The River is marked on the Southern side of the Scout Statue.

2. After crossing the River, you will come across wounded way-farers and you will attend on them. They must be carried very carefully to the Doctor in the Jamboree hall.

3. Communicate a message to the Ship-wrecked Sailors whom you can easily spot on the shore of the Bay of Bengal—No messenger can leave the camp-site premises.

4. Now take rest. Prepare tiffin and Coffee or Tea. Report to the undersigned.

JOISMUT

Dated 6th March 1954

Officer-in-Charge of Expedition

IMPORTANT INVESTITURE CEREMONY

The Investiture is a sacred ceremony which should be conducted by the Scouter (C.M., S.M., R.S.L.,) of the Group concerned and not by any body else. He should personally invest the Scout with the badge and not ask any body else to do it. This has a great significance and should be observed all through.

SCOUTING IS ESSENTIAL FOR WORLD PEACE

By M. S. RANGASWAMI (ROVER)

(Buddha Scout Group)

This is an era in which the human race is threatened and disturbed, by immense upheavals and worldwide conflicts. Mankind seems to be on the verge of yet another conflagration which may mean the destruction of all human civilization, but yearns for peace, which has for ever been eluding its grasp. Attempts have been made again and again to achieve the ideal of human unity and world peace through organizations like the League of Nations and now the United Nations, without success. What is the reason for the present chaotic and uncertain state of world affairs? And what is the remedy? The cause of the present world tensions is the division of the peoples into two camps which might at any moment enter into open conflict. The feeling that war is inevitable exists rather because the ideological struggle is being used as a pretext for world domination than because the co-existence of the opposing ideologies. If this idea of world domination is eliminated, a world in which the two ideologies could live together need not be out of question. In the words of Bertrand Russell, we "should make clear not merely as an intellectual proposition, but as something that the heart spontaneously believes, that it is not by making others suffer that we shall achieve our own happiness, but that happiness and the means to happiness depend upon harmony with other men..... If men could think and feel in this way not only their personal problems but all the problems of world politics, even the most abstruse and difficult, would melt away". The remedy, then, is a spiritual or psychological one. It is a change of heart that is most necessary and urgent for the attainment of world peace.

What could be the means of creating this change in the hearts of men and women of different races and faiths? It ought to be an organization which will emphasize the universal brotherhood of man, which will stress the common feelings, common sentiments, common hopes and aspirations of men all over the world. It is in this context that we can appreciate the value of the Scout Movement, as an international organization uniting men of all nations and creeds as members of the family called mankind, and more particularly as a great organization devoted to the service of mankind, for the promotion of harmony among men and peace in the world.

The first aim in Scouting is to develop a boy's personal character and initiative. Scouting instils in young men personal

initiative, self-control, self-reliance, and a sense of honour, duty, service and responsibility. These qualities form the basis on which a proper manhood can be built, a manhood which by reason of its foundation and training in handicrafts and good turns will merge into the useful citizen, not a mere citizen of any particular country but a true citizen of the world. The whole foundation of Scouting rests upon the Scout Law and the Scout Promise and the meaning and spirit they carry with them. The Promise is the source from which the whole of our Scouting springs; it is the force which gives it life. Like the Law it represents a high ideal, an ideal made possible by our promise to do our best. Through the expected performance of at least one good turn a day, the Scout gradually, but surely, acquires the habit of self-sacrifice. Through devotion to the Scout Law the Scout learns the art of self-control. His games and practice put that art into effective use and strengthen it to meet the demands that will be made on it in later years. In short, Scouting teaches boys and men brotherhood, unselfishness, self-control and tolerance. And these are just the qualities that men have to develop in themselves if there is to be peace and harmony on earth.

Scouting can help men if peace is to be established on a firm basis, peace based not on the shifting sands of nationalism or political expediency, but on the secure foundations of international law and international agreement and—greater than these—international brotherhood and sympathy.

HARD WORK

“Our progress towards a better life cannot be a matter of gift. It will depend very much on our own efforts—our skill, intelligence and hard work.”

GULZARILAL NANDA,
Minister for Planning

THE RAMANATHAPURAM DISTRICT SCOUT RALLY, SIVAGANGA

A Rally of scouts belonging to 15 registered groups in the district was held at Sivaganga on the 9th and 10th January under the auspices of the Local Association of the Bharat Scouts & Guides. Camp routine was followed during those two days and there were instruction classes but no competitions. In the absence of Mr. Rajagopalan S.O.C., the District Commissioner opened the Rally at noon on the 9th. In the evening there was a route march round the town with the group flags and other paraphernalia. The main object of the Rally was to enable the scouts to qualify themselves fully for the II class tests. 180 scouts participated in it. The scout craft exhibition was opened by Mr. V. Nallaswami Pillai, Advocate and Mr. V. K. N. Kannappa Chettiar of Nattarasankota hoisted the flag on the second day. On the evening of the second day a public function was held presided over by Janab Sirajuddin, Divisional Engineer, Highways when there was an exhibition of scout craft by the scouts besides a march past. The president in his address stressed on character building aspect of the scout movement and how a high code of honour and dignity was to be built up among the younger generation. The public of Sivaganga took a great interest in it by attending in large numbers. The total number of scouts and scouters that participated in the Rally was 252. The Local Association, Sivaganga played the host.

A refresher course for scoutmasters was also held lasting for four days 9th to 12th. Mr. T. N. Bhuminathan was in charge of the course. 20 scoutmasters took the course. Much credit for the success of the functions was due to the able body of Assistant Scout Commissioners and Rovers. Special mention should be made of Mr. K. Visweswaran who with his experience of the recent All India Jamboree at Hyderabad was able to train the boys for the Rally, March Past and the Torchlight tatoon. One good result of the Rally was that a good number of scouts were able to pass the major number of II class tests and it is hoped that all of them will complete them ere long.

P. SOMASUNDARAM

District Scout Commissioner

January 15, 1954



Resignations Confessions of a D. C.

Things I have learned—mostly the hard way.

That is the best way to ensure that a man resigns to give him a job to do and then to hurry him constantly in order to see that he is doing it.

That if resignations come, the best way is to accept them at once without appeals to reconsider, but with appropriate thanks for services rendered. No one is indispensable, however exalted. If this system is operated, the frivolous and temperamental resigners resign no more, and only the earnest resigners remain—and their resignations have to be accepted any how.

That the ways of lady Akelas are entirely beyond comprehension, and that are best left strictly alone under the leadership of one of their own kind.

That the only real gift a D.C. requires is the ability to sort the utterly reliable from the probably reliable, and then to provide each of the former class with a job worthy of his particular talents.

That it is fatal to go cap in hand to local government departments, but that the impression to convey to them is that you are getting £2,000 p.a for your job as D.C. and consider yourself under-paid. This mental outlook is particularly well understood and appreciated by the Education Department.

That a good lady A.D.C. for Wolf Cubs is a most precious acquisition but that she should never be asked why she is pursuing a certain course of action. That it is far safer to assume that she knows what she is doing and leave it at that.

That the craze for reunions of the Scouters of the Troop and Pack on any conceivable pretext may be due to reasons which have no connection with Scouting at all, and are therefore none of your business.

That in a big L.A. it is terribly easy for the welfare of the Groups and the boys in them to become of secondary importance amid a welter of Gang Shows, District Events and "reunions".

That the boys—as usual—keep things in the right proportion, for in any Troop 100 per cent of them know all about their S. M. but only about 50 per cent know what the initials D. C. stand for.

That with a good team of A. D. C.s “passing the buck” can be a most skilful and joyous game played in both directions.

That the bush telegraph methods of an African tribe for passing information are very crude compared to those operated by the adult personnel of a large L. A.

That the only really safe way of keeping the telegraph silent is to confine one's conversation to a series of non-committal grunts.

That good Scouters are not expendable material and that if Sponsoring authorities will hamstring and frustrate their efforts after the position is explained to them the best course is to close down the Group and remove the Scouter to where his efforts can bear fruit.

That the reverse is sometimes true and bad Scouters can frustrate the efforts of good Sponsoring authorities.

That in this case, if a good Scouter is not available, the decision seems to rest on whether the poor one is doing more good than harm or more harm than good.

That Rover-Ranger Co-operation can very safely be left to the Rovers and Rangers to organise in their own inimitable way, and that they certainly do not require any assistance in doing so.

That in a large L. A. with a team of A. D. C.s. attendance at Group and District events should be shared out to avoid a galaxy of A. D. C.s arriving at the same spot on the same evening.

That if a G. S. M. is a dead loss and throttling a potentially good Group by sitting on correspondence and returns the only thing to do is to tell him so quite bluntly and hope for the best in the course of a post or two.

MINOS.
The Scouter



**COPY OF A LETTER RECEIVED FROM
COL. J. S. WILSON**

*Hon. President, Boy Scouts International Committee,
dated February 8, 1954*

Dr. Hridayanath Kunzru,
National Commissioner,
The Bharat Scouts and Guides,
New Delhi (INDIA) :

DEAR DR. KUNZRU,

We have been very distressed to read of the tragedy at the Mela. I sympathise with you all very deeply, having some knowledge of the reason for and the meaning behind what is regarded as the World's greatest religious festival. I know, too, how easy it is for a crowd of people to get out of hand for no seeming reason and without any realisation of the possible consequences.

To us there is one ray of light in the dark picture from which you can derive some thankfulness. That is the manifest exemplary behaviour of the Bharat Scouts and Guides, who were rendering service at the Mela, as has been the custom on many previous similar occasions.

This service has been given honourable mention in the London Press. As an example I quote from the "THE OBSERVER" of Sunday, February 7th 1954.

"Out of the same crowd had sprung up the splendid, patient soldiers who fought to save life, the tireless boy scouts and calm officials, the brave young girl guides and nurses who fought their own fear to save a child from the trampling feet".

We share with you not only our sympathy but also a legitimate pride in the brave and unflinching service rendered by the Girl Guides and Boy Scouts of India.

I am, dear Dr. Kunzru,

Yours very sincerely,
Sd. J. S. WILSON



The South Madras Bharat Scouts and Guides

The Cub Central Camp

For the first time in the annals of the South Madras District Association, a very successful Central Camp for Cubs was organised and conducted at B.S.C.C. Adyar from 19-2-'54 to 21-2-'54 with the District Commissioner (Scouts) as the Camp Chief and the District Cub Master, Sri K. Madhavan, as the Deputy Camp Chief. Over 170 boys attended the Camp drawn from the Packs, Prathaps, Shivajis, Subramanias, Vasanthas, Olcotts, Ramakrishnas, Gadhadars, Narendras, and Vivekanandas. Messages wishing the camp success were received from His Excellency, Shri Sri Prakasa, Governor of Madras and the State Chief Commissioner, the Hon'ble Sri K. Venkataswami Naidu. The programme included a treasure hunt, an inter-pack competition and practical demonstration and was very lively and enjoyable from start to finish. The Camp was inaugurated on 20-2-54 at 9 A.M. by Sri C. R. Patrabhi Raman. Sri V. S. Ratnasabhapathy, State Secretary spoke on the occasion. The Camp fire on 20-2-54 was presided over by Sri V. K. Narasimhan, Assistant Editor, The Hindu. It reached a high level of excellence with a good gathering of parents and Scouters attending. To commemorate the event, a small but highly informative SOUVENIR was brought out on the occasion. The Camp was thus a huge success.

Cleaning Campaign

Over 30 members drawn from the Shivaji Scout Group, Mylapore and the Arundale Rover Crew Adyar as also the District Rover Scout Leader Sri T. M. Muthukannappan and the District Commissioner (Scouts) participated in the Cleaning Campaign of Tiruvanmayur arranged by the Bharat Sevak Samaj on 14-2-54, Adyar. The Scouts presented a possee of welcome to the Hon'ble Sri Manickavel Naicker, Minister for Revenue, who presided on the occasion and took part in the Cleaning Campaign launched later. The Scouts did a good lot of work with the spade and baskets in their hands.

Scout Camp

Over 17 Scouts of the Vasantha Scout Group, Adyar went on a Camp to Gingy Fort from 20-2-54 to 21-2-54 with Scouter Sri M. V. Krishna Sastri as the Camp Scoutmaster. The visit to temples, Camp fire for villagers and mountaineering were the highlights of the Camp. The Vasantha Guides also accompanied the Scouts under Miss P. K. Rajeswari, Group Leder.

Sarvodaya Day

The Subrahmanya Scout Group, Mylapore observed the Sarvodaya Day with Sri S. R. Venkataraman, Secretary, Servants of India Society in the Chair. A number of colour slides dealing with the life and achievements of Mahathma Gandhi was projected on the screen.

The Prathap Scout Group, Mylapore observed the day with Sri S. V. Venkatasubramanya Iyer, Advocate, as the president. The programme included short speeches, Ram Dhun and songs dedicated to the memory of the Father of the Nation.

The Scouters' and Guiders' Club

The Scouters and Guiders met on 28-2-54 at the Headquarters of the Vasantha Scout Group, Adyar with Sri V. Subramaniam, Cubmaster Ramakrishnas in the Chair. The Vasantha Scout Group treated the members to tea and also put up a few nice entertainments on the occasion. The Club is now vigorous and live organisation, thanks to the unremitting efforts of the Joint Secretaries.

Service

The members of the Prathap Scout Group and the Shivaji Scout Group did service in connection with the Tamil Writers' Conference held recently in the City at St. Marys' Hall, George Town.

H. RAMANATHAN,
District Commissioner (Scouts)



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OURSELVES*(Continued from 2nd cover page)*

The Memorandum of the Association and the constitution were revised and submitted to the National Council for their consideration. The amendments including the new Badge etc. suggested by Dame Leslie Whately, Director of the World Bureau of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts were scrutinised and adopted for the acceptance of the National Council. The suggestions made by various State representatives were also scrutinised and changes to be incorporated in the A.P.R.O. were considered. Further changes will be finalised at its next meeting.

Youth Welfare Seminar

Under the auspices of our Association a Seminar on Youth Welfare is being held for five Saturday evenings beginning from 13th March 1954 with the object of considering all problems relating to Youth, concert measures to co-ordinate the activities of Youth Movement and to draw up a common programme of activities for the benefit of the Youth. Mr. Robert J. Mac Alister, Deputy Director of Cultural Affairs, United States Information Service will initiate the proceedings by giving a talk on Scouting and Guiding in the United States which will be continued by talks and demonstrations on the importance of good public relations with parents, Civic groups Youth Groups and activities in America, such as 4-H Clubs etc. "Youth and Community Projects in the Five Year Plan" and Service Camps and work among street boys, destitute and delinquent children etc. will also be considered. The Seminar is open to both men and women Youth workers, specially to Scouters and Guiders. It is hoped that the Seminar will prove a great help to our workers.

Camping Centres

Three Camping Centres are to be fitted up with necessary equipments such as tents, cooking utensils, camp gear etc. One in Stanley Park Training Centre for the Western region, another in Madras for the Madras division and a third one at Mathurai or Tanjore for the Southern division to enable training courses and regular Camps for Scouts and Guides to be held throughout the year.

Training Courses for Summer months

A series of Training Courses are being planned for summer months both by the Districts and by State Headquarters which include not only preliminary Training Courses but also a Commissioners' Training course and a Himalaya Scout Wood Badge Course at Stanley Park. For details please apply to State Headquarters.

Editor