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Beside the Home Fires

Notes on Girl Guide Work

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WOMAN who can be a good and

helpful comrade to her brother,

her husband or son along the

path of life is really a guide to him.

The name Guide, therefore, just

describes the members of our sister-

hood, who besides being handy and ready for any kind of duty are also a jolly, happy family, and likely to

be good, cheery comrades to their mankind, writes Sir Robert Baden-

Powell in his foreword to "Scouting for Girls," the American Handbook.

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lt is a book we can recommend as being specially good in its nature study, map-making, study of the stars, and camping hints. The Iris Patrol have started a library of their

own, and the book they are now enjoying is the Girl Guide Book of

Games, by Miss Behrens, they got from the Girl Guide Shop, 27 Buck-

A Guide writes to us from a remote place in Eastern Ontario, telling how they started a company a few

years ago. She says there was nothing for the girls in our district to do.

We were a long way from a town; it

seemed to us we were outside of everything. There came into our

midst a young Englishwoman who had been a Guide. She gathered us

together and told us about the work.

We sent to Eaton's for the Guide Book;

then we started and very soon passed our tenderfoot test and had three

active patrols, namely, The Pine Tree, The Oak, and The Maple. We had

one of the happiest summers of our

girlhood. We learned to love nature, to know the birds and the flowers, to track and to be observant. We were

fond of signalling, could send mes-

sages to each other over our hills. We

made collections of flowers, leaves

and insects, which we treasure still. In winter we had many happy even-

ings together studying cooking, em-

broidery, first aid, and many useful

arts. When the war came we all joined our Red Cross Circle and did

our best to help, and some went into

munition work, and so the Pine Tree and the Oak Patrol are all married

or scattered, but still some of the

Maples keep together, and one who

was a Patrol leader is trying to

gather in the Rosebuds to form a

company. Our friend who started us

has passed on, but we still love and

remember our dear Captain. 1 won-

der if she knows all the good she did

in helping us to become better and

happier women. I wonder also if

women know how much of true inter-

est, of joy of life they miss, and of

the fascination of Guide work, how

it carries you along, keeps you young.

One of the greatest needs of the day

is leadership, and as women come more into public life and to more re-

sponsibility the greater the need. The

war has shown us that women can

rise to every occasion, but how much

more efficient their work would be if

there was more real training in the

"In the Girl Guide Movement as in the Boy Scouts we have the small unit—the Patrol commanded by its

own leader. She is the responsible

officer for leading her Patrol to vic-

tory, and for keeping each member of the unit up to the mark so that

the Patrol, as a whole, does not fall

behind any other. To do this effect-

ively she soon discovers that she has

to be a leader not only in name, but in fact and in act. She has to use her

brains and thought, her initiative and

power of command, to hold and lead those under her. Having learnt how

to obey and how to restrain herself

art of leadership.

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) Girls

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w by now of the things in North isn't any food, ople are starving. t ten million peo-in that part of early, three times our crop of wheat e had no rain at that all the grain pretty badly off, 'ell, that's what's and now they are o us to help them. 't save all the peoving, still we can here. If you look over of your last v you'll see th eady been started, cent helps. I do king of China this re warm and cosy don't let it stop at want real help as

Day! What did you ip to church for a l just about noon, tes during the ser-stood in absolute emembered the war, a who had given up

We must never te near to me were uished soldiers, who rerseas, and one or The sight of tripes brought back idly. In the church lovernor-General of Duchess of Devonstood in silence I agine what it was ar away in Ling himself was unveilall who had died in ere, in Westminster buried the body of ldier, brought from have been a most and now one of the s lies in the Abbey, England's greatest

ly they paid honour he ordinary soldiers, ips get all the glory, nuch to save the Emdistinguished general on't you think it's a

ne that this letter is g, so I'd better stop. as it whom I saw on oboggan out already! good fun, too; I saw ites after I'd left the I'd been to see a sick n't been able to wa and won't be able to either! How would

affectionate

Cousin Mike,

she develops the power of command So let us hope that in all our future and her own sense of responsibility, thereby unconsciously preparing herself to take higher positions of trust in real life later on." But above all this means for each the development

of character. One wonders sometimes even in our Church Societies why the leaders were chosen as leaders, they seem to lack so entirely that gift. But there is always hope, so when this generation is grown up and trained as Guides they will know something of honour, for the first and greatest law is, "A Guide's honour is to be trusted," and another is loyalty-loyalty to friends.

organizations all the treachery and back-biting will be done away with and women will know how to "play the game," and also to learn that true religion does not consist in preaching but in doing, and doing the right thing according to the law of honour, loyalty, brotherhood and courtesy, which is the law of the Guides, that law being founded on what our ancestors called the Noble and High Order of Knighthood, and, after all, that great order of Knight-hood was founded on the law and the ideals that were taught by One Who said, "Learn of Me."

INFALLIBLE RECEIPT.

A certain field marshal, being asked how he accomplished his great and successful drives at the enemy,

"First, I decide just what I want to do. "Next, I make all preparations to

"Then I do it." Now doesn't that look like a great plan for any Lifeman?"

Decide what you want to do. Make all preparations to do it. Then do it—that's all.—International Lifeman.



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HIS aged couple, mellowed by time and the experiences of life, are happily growing old together.

They are happy because they are healthy. Life is still full of interest to them, and they are wide awake to new ideas.

These are the kind of old people that everybody likes. For, in spite of the years, they are cheerful and optimistic.

It is only natural that the blood should get thin and vitality wane as age advances, but there are ways of keeping up the quality of the blood and maintaining health and vigor.

Very many men and women have found in Dr. Chase's Nerve Food exactly what they need to restore energy and strength and keep them healthy and happy.

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("I know Mrs. Joseph Lalonde, and

("I know Mrs. Joseph Lalonde, and believe her statement regarding Dr. Chase's medicines to be true."—W. P. Flannery, Postmaster.)

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