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LETTER FROM AMERICA

Extracts from a letter to Mr & Mrs Brown from Mrs Ann Nally, formerly CM, 1 Ashwell:-

"It was quite a homecoming, needless to say, with...the family there to greet us (at Nashville, Tennessee). We stayed almost a month with them... It is amazing how quickly the children took over that southern US accent. At home...they use the British accent ...and I can't help but remember that Cockney 'I want to go to Southend'!

"Then on to San Angelo - and it was 106 degrees the day we arrived. You can imagine what troubles we have had getting acclimatized (acclimated, as we say) to such weather. It has remained almost this warm through September, and now it is beginning to cool down a bit... Altho I am from the south, I cannot get things done in the heat... I guess this is why I could feel so energetic in England. The weather was so much better, I think.

"We found a house we liked and bought it in the latter part of July. Our furniture did not arrive until 10 days later, but we got mattresses and sheets from the base and made out alright. Just like camping.

"The children started school in September. Mike and Pat...are well ahead in most all things - except, of course, US history. Michael is taking Spanish now instead of French. The children were a bit shy at first because they felt strange, but now they are very happy..... I have had some teary moments when I go through the scrapbooks and things about the house that remind me of what I enjoyed so much back there some 5000 miles.

"Pat is busy with the Base Scout Troop. We are in a new housing area, and there is not a local troop, but the military families are helpful in....getting the boys there.

"The Principal of Mike and Pat's school is Scoutmaster of a Troop downtown... He introduced me to the local DC and to the Council Commissioner... They want me to help train Den Mothers in San Angelo. I am very honored to help with this.... Then this past week we had a meeting... to get the Cub program going after the summer - and naturally I ended up with a job. Since Tim is 10, I am going to work with the 10 to 11 year old boys, preparing them for Scouting.

"I simply cannot say to you the words which would adequately express my gratitude for the help and encouragement...while we were there. Please, please convey these thoughts to just as many of the people who knew us as you possibly can. Everyone was so kind... and we will never forget you all. Please write - and come to see us. Sincerely, ANN NALLY"

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CUB ATHLETIC RESULTS

1...5L and 8L...11½ points each
3.....3L.....7 points
4.....1B.....6½
5...2L Friday....5
6.....7L.....3½
7.....4L.....,3
8...2L Thursday..2
9.....2B.....1
10.....1L.....0



1A, 1W, 9L did not compete this year

WE HOPE YOU GET THIS IN TIME

It's an invitation to all readers of CO-ORDINATOR for tonight! Sunday 28 October! Do come to DHQ at 8 tonight, as guests of LDRC, to hear the one and only C*O*N R*A*D A*S*C*H*E*R IN PERSON, all the way from some place called Harpenden, to tell us stories and show us slides of journeys to jamborees across the seas.

Conrad is an opportunity not to be missed. Come in uniform if you can, but come anyway.

WINTER PATROL COMPETITION FOR THE B-P GUILD CUP

This is one of the main items for discussion at the Scouters' Council arranged for Thursday evening, 8, November, at DHQ at 8.15. A Rock Council will be held at the same time in another part of the building, to decide various things like the date of the DISTRICT CUB QUIZ

"BABES IN THE WOOD"

is the SPADS' choice for a pantomime this year, and once again they offer our packs, troops and companies cheap block bookings for their first two performances. These are Tuesdsy and Wednesday 1 and 2 January 1963; the price, 2/- . Further enquiries to Mr H.W.Cadwallader, 206 Rushby Place, Letchworth.

WANTED: at least 500 old Dinky Toys, in any reasonable condition. 4L Seniors offer 3d. each. Contact 88 Southfields or Letchworth 2111

NUMBER 800

Barry Makepeeee, Cub in 2L Friday pack, just happened last week to become the eight hundredth District name in the Scout Notes since they first appeared in "The Citizen" in November 1957. Since this last Friday, the total is 814, and the Press Secretary wants more from you.

UNiform EXchange (Mrs I.J.Foster) 7 Campfield Way, Letchworth : plenty of items are now in stock, but more are welcome any time.

District Map Library (SS Michel Burnett) 41 Bowershott, Letchworth : some maps already available for hire, any number welcomed.

OPERATION NIGHTJAR

Teams of Senior Scouts (2 per team) wishing to try this night exercise should see that DSSL Jim Bruce has their names by next weekend (3 November).

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NOSH-UP MOVES OVER

5L Guides' grand nosh-up (see ← CO-ORDINATOR 41) will now be taking place at 1B Scout HQ, Park Drive. Please remember to inform the Misses Deere of expected numbers.

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GUIDES' FIRE BRIGADE BADGE

It is hoped to arrange a course early in the new year: Names and addresses of interested Guides to the DC by 30 November, please - also which day of the week is preferred, with second choice.

GUIDES' BADGE ACCOUNTS

Any outstanding bills should be settled with Mrs Hiles quickly, as she must show all such debts when sending in accounts for auditing in November.

GUIDES' A G M

Tuesday 6 November, Hillshott School, 7.30 pm. Guiders will by now have received invitations to be sent to the parents of all girls in the movement. Please get them out promptly, and do try to come yourself. All Scouters are invited to come along too.

GUIDERS' DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Next meeting: 27 November, 7.30 at the Ranger Hut. Please tell DC or Secretary if you can't come.

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FREEDOM FROM HUNGER CAMPAIGN

The Letchworth Committee has decided to help a group of villages in Assam at a cost of £450 per village. Baldock have set a £500 target but don't say yet what project they are supporting. But if Captains of all companies taking part in the 10Hitchin challenge will send money to the DC as it is earned, we can begin to see how much we are achieving. Each town's money will be kept in a separate account and finally handed to the respective town committee.

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QUOTES from last weekend's County Scouters' Conference:

----- "I was appalled by the softness and lack of zeal in this diocese. Young people have everything handed to them on a plate - they don't even know they're alive... The Scout movement must go into ways of making contact with the 80% of 'unattached' youth - without being in their eyes immediately a Scout - for our uniform scares them more than anything... We must see how to work in partnership with all the youth organizations."

(Rev. Ian Hazlewood, Bishop's Chaplain for Youth)

A Senior Scout asked: 'What is meant by 'a type' of boy?' A Scouter answered with the definition: "He's the son of 'the average man'!"

D E O V O L E N T E

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28 Jamborees Overseas, by Conrad Ascher: DHQ, 8 pm: all welcome, uniform preferred

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3 - 4 Scout Wood Badge preliminary training course (second of 2 weekends), Barnet

5 5L Guides invite you to the Nosh-up, 7.30

6 Guide LA annual general meeting, Hillshott School, 7.30

8 Rock Council, DHQ, 8.15

8 Scouters' Council, DHQ, 8.15

10-11 Operation Nightjar for Senior Scouts, 10 pm to 7 am : see top left corner of this page

11 Cub Wood Badge preliminary training course (second of 2 days), Stevenage

12 LA Executive Committee, DHQ, 8 pm

17 7L bazaar, Church Rooms

17 World Aspidistra Show, Ivinghoe Beacon, 11.45 pm

18 (not 19 as given last month) Scout Wood Badge preliminary training course (first of 3 days), Welwyn Garden City

20 First edition of "Tomorrow" on sale (6d.) at local newsagents, containing this sort of list of all local events, edited by a Scout Service Auxiliary.

25 Scout Wood Badge preliminary training course (second of 5 days), Welwyn Garden City

26 - 8 December : The Gang Show, Golders Green

27 Guiders' District Committee, Ranger Hut, 7.30

28 Last items in, please, for CO-ORDINATOR 43

29 District Gang Show Committee, DHQ, 7.45

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1 - 2 Cub Wood Badge preliminary training course (complete), Hemel Hempstead

2 Scout Wood Badge preliminary training course (third of 3 days), Welwyn Garden City

2 Distribution of CO-ORDINATOR 43

8 Rover-Ranger dance, St Paul's hall, 7.30, 3/-

27 - 5 January : Mountain Rescue course, Lochearnhead Scout Station

27 - 4 January : County Rovers' & Seniors' winter expedition, Yr Hafod

28 - 6 January : County Scouters', Rovers' and Seniors' ski course, Grindelwald

29 District Gang Show rehearsal, 6 pm

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1 5L group outing to "Peter Pan on ice"

1 - 2 Scout & Guide nights at SPADS "Babes in the wood", St Francis' Theatre

11 - 19 National Camping Exhibition, Olympia

19 4L Cubs' party, St Paul's hall

22 Scout firefighter badge course starts

26 - 27 Cub Wood Badge preliminary training course, Hertford

26-27 and 2-3 February : Leadership training course, Stevenage