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Boy Scouts—Captain Glinney's training class on
for Scout Masters—contribution of Rs. 2,500 promised.

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Telegram

From the Govt of India, Dept of
To the Secy to the Govt of Madras, Secy

"No 1232 Education. Boy Scouts Association is anxious to obtain services of Captain Gidney from G. Park during this cold weather for holding Scoutmaster training classes in various centres in India ~~will probably~~ ~~estimated~~ cost association 15,000 or 20,000 Rs. Association will itself contribute 200 pounds sterling. Govt India are much interested in the proposal which was made by Baden Powell, but feel difficulty in granting financial assistance, a matter which is clearly a transferred subject. It is thought Local Govt would like to assist. Should such assistance be decided on, it is suggested that intimate be sent direct to D.N. Basu, Honorary General Secretary, Boy Scouts Association, Calcutta. Matter is very urgent as Gidney should start at an early date and is available only this year. Govt of India will be glad

graphic intimation as to whether
local Govt are willing to contribute
and how much."

The Boy Scouts Association, India.

ALL INDIA HEAD QUARTER'S NOTICE.

No. 5.

15th July 1921.

1. Overseas Commissioner.—Intimation has been received that Sir A. D. Pickford has been appointed Overseas Commissioner, at Imperial Head Quarters, London in addition to his other duties.

2. Sir A. D. Pickford.—The Acting Chief Commissioner cabled congratulations on behalf of Boy Scouts in India to Sir A. D. Pickford on his receiving the honour of Knighthood. Sir A. D. Pickford cabled in reply and asks for his sincere acknowledgments to be conveyed to Boy Scouts.

3. "Cornwell" Scout Dacoration.—A recent application for this from India has been returned with the following remarks from the Cornwell sub-committee:—

"I much regret that the standard required for the courage test has been by no means attained. My committee purposely keep this very high, as will be seen from the fact that out of about 300 applications only 30 have been successful"

A suggestion is made that in future such applications from India may be forwarded through the Chief Commissioner, who in no case will keep it back, but merely add any remarks he may have to make.

4. Y. M. C. A. Hostel, London.—The Commissioner, Overseas Scouts, writes under date 14th June 1921 as follows:—

"With regard to the Indian Scoutmasters coming to England for training, I believe the Y. M. C. A. Hostel for Indian Students (Keppel Street, London, W. C. 1) is as good a place as any for them to live in while over here, except of course during the actual time they are at Gillwell Park."

Particulars are obtainable from a pamphlet containing the rules etc. of the Hostel, which may be had on application to the Hostel.

5. Rules.—Final proofs have been received from the press, and they will be issued at an early date. A charge of six annas per copy will be made to cover actual cost of printing. Provincial Commissioners will please communicate to General Secretary the number they require.

6. Scoutmasters Training Camps.—An effort will be made this year to enable Capt Gidney to come out from Gillwell Park and hold training camps for Scoutmasters in various parts of India. The possibility of this is largely dependant upon whether funds can be made available to cover the expenses of his visit. It is hoped that a contribution may be obtained from the Government. Provincial Commissioners and others are invited to make such arrangements in anticipation as are possible, bearing in mind the fact that the visit is not yet definitely settled.

H. G. PEARSON,
The Acting Chief Commissioner,
The Boy Scouts Association, India.

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THE BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION, INDIA.

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Offg. Chief Commissioner :-

The Hon'ble Mr. Justice

H. G. Pearson Esq.,

High Court, Calcutta.

General Secretary :-

D. N. Basu,

Barrister-at-law.

14, Balaram Ghose Street,

Calcutta.

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THE ALLIANCE BANK OF SIMLA, CALCUTTA.



"BE PREPARED."

12th September, 1921

F. J. Richards Esq., I.C.S.,
Provincial Commissioner,
Boy Scouts Association, Madras,
Fort St. George,
M a d r a s.

Dear Mr. Richards,

Your letter dated the 1st of September addressed to Mr. Justice Pearson has been sent to me for reply. Mr. Pearson has left for England for the holidays. I have to carry on during his absence or ~~any~~ until such time as ^{another} ~~any~~ man will take up the officiating Chief Commissionership.

Regarding ~~your~~ Capt. Gidney's visit I note your suggestions. Before the programme of his tour is definitely fixed I ^{shall} place your suggestions before the people who are going to fix up his tour.

As regards the expenses of Capt. Gidney's visit, nothing has been arranged as to how much the Provinces will have to contribute but the idea so far as I know is that each Province will have to bear its own expenses of his visit. I cannot give you any further information about Capt. Gidney's visit just as yet, because I have no further information to give; but you as well as other Provinces will be kept informed about further developments as regards Capt. Gidney's visit.

Yours sincerely,

D. N. Basu

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The Boy Scouts Association, India.

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Yours sincerely,

Henry General Secretary,
The Boy Scouts Association, India.

Council Buildings
Fort St George, Madras
Dated 26th August 1921.

Dear Sir;

The meeting of the Executive of the Boys scout Association will be held on Monday at 6.30 P.M. at Cathedral Garden. May I request you to kindly attend. The ^{further} Agenda for the meeting is enclosed.

1) Captain Gidney's visit. - Two letters from Mr. Pearson, the Chief Commissioner enclosed.

2) The District Commissioner, Salem asks whether there are any rules, whether there is any leaflet clearly explaining the objects and setting out the duties and principles of Local Associations to distribute among gentlemen who may become members of the Local Association. Can a small leaflet be prepared and published.

3) Can Scouts canvas for membership and for subscribers to the Journal.

Yours sincerely,

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- Present
- (1) Mr. F.J. Richards (in the chair)
 - (2) Mr. A.J. Leech
 - (3) Mr. Oakley
 - (4) Dr. Gravely (by request).

I. Captain Gidney's visit.

(a) Resolved that Calcutta should be asked if the date of the Madras visit could be changed to 11th to 26th February, visiting Jabulpore and Lucknow first, and proceeding directly from Madras to Rangoon, as the proposed dates clash with ^{the} Prince's visit, a camp could not possibly be formed on the date suggested.

(b) Resolved also to advise District Commissioners of the proposed camp, asking them to communicate the name of two scout officers who can attend the camp. The travelling and camp expenses would be borne by the respective local associations. The camp expenses are not likely to exceed Re.1 per diem.

(c) Resolved to ascertain from Calcutta the probable amount due from this Provincial Council for Captain Gidney's visit to Madras, and to enquire whether Colombo could be added to the list with a view to reducing expenses.

II. Canvassing for membership and subscribers

Read letter from the District Commissioner, Salem.

Resolved that there is no objection to scouts asking their friends and relatives

should be canvassed the general public

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III. Resolved that in accordance with Headquarters letter of August 23rd, 1921, Association stationery should bear the words 'Incorporated by Royal Charter'.

IV. Resolved that London Headquarters should be requested to supply the Madras Association with 50 additional copies of the propaganda leaflets already supplied.

I. Captain Gifford's visit.

(a) Resolved that Captain Gifford should be asked if the date of the Madras visit could be changed to 11th to 13th February, visiting Madras and Pondicherry, and proceeding directly from Madras to Bangalore, as the proposed dates clash with Prince's visit, a camp could not possibly be formed on the date suggested.

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II. Propaganda for membership and subscription.

Head letter from the District Commissioners.

Resolved that there is no objection to using posters, leaflets and other means

from the Department of Education, Government of India.

✓ We had hoped to obtain a grant towards the expenses of this visit, but you will see that the Government of India say it is a grant to be met from Provincial Revenues.

✓ This places an obstacle in the way of Capt. Godney's visit, but if it is nevertheless brought about, you will I trust be able to use the enclosed letter to induce your Provincial Government to make a Grant towards his passage and expenses in connection with any work during the time he is working x in your province.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~
Chief Commissioner, Boy
Scouts, India.

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High Court, Calcutta,
15-8-1921.

✓ dear Sir,

Gidney's visit.

Following communication has been received dated 21st July 1921 from Commissioner, Overseas Scouts, London.-

"I have had considerable difficulty in getting permission for
"Gidney to go out.

"Gidney is not in very good health and it is important that at
"the different Centres he visits he should find all local

"arrangements cut and dry. All correspondence regarding pup
"to attend the Courses must be done by Provinces.

"Tents, Cooking Utensils, Bathing arrangements, and the
"like, would have to be provided locally. I am trying to book

"passage for Gidney by the Steamer leaving Marseilles on 12th
"November. I suggest he should hold camps in Bombay, Madras,

"Calcutta, Lucknow. (or Allahabad). Jubbulpore and Rangoon.

"A possible programme might be:-

Bombay 1st to 10th December.

Calcutta 15th to 24th "

Madras 5th to 14th January.

Jubbulpore 19th to 28th "

Lucknow 2nd to 11th February

Rangoon 17th to 26th "

"Each Class should not exceed forty".

I am sending this information so that you may have the earliest information in regard to the plans for Gidney's visit.

Intimation will be similarly sent you as soon as it is definitely fixed.

The above information will be included in the forthcoming H.Q. Circular.

Sd/-

Acting Chief Commissioner

Port St. George
1st September 1921.

Dear Mr. Pearson,

Your letter of August 8th regarding Captain Gidney's visit, has been laid before our Provincial Executive Committee.

The dates proposed for Madras clash with the visit of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales. It would be quite impossible to form a camp at that time as all scouts will be busily engaged in preparing for the visit. Our Committee suggests that Captain Gidney might visit Jubbulpore and Lucknow before visiting Madras, and proceed from Madras direct to Rangoon staying in Madras from February 11th to 26th. Would this be practicable?

Our Committee also desires to know approximately what amount would have to be found by the Madras Provincial Council as its share of the expenses of Captain Gidney's visit. Would it be possible to reduce the total cost of arranging for a visit to Colombo and thereby distributing the expenses among seven instead of only six associations.

Yours sincerely,

W. A.

To

The Hon'ble Mr. Justice Pearson,
High Court,
Calcutta.

W. A.
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Boy Scouts special training
Classes by Capt. Gidney

The telegram from the foot of India
may be sent to the D.P.D. no.
for remarks in the first instance.

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U.O. Reply No. 527/2

We are already training in the Madras Presi-
dency scout-masters at the rate of at least 100
per annum, the training being given by Messrs.
Oakley, Vincent Mendis, Venkateswaran and Menon.
There appears to me no necessity for provincial
funds meeting any portion of the cost of the
Captain Gidney's visit to India. If he comes,
Madras will be very pleased to see him, but it
can very well do without his services.

17.9.21

For orders whether a reply may be
sent in the name of D.P.D. note above.

MM
17/9/21

Perhaps the Scout Commissioner,
Mr. Richards may be consulted.

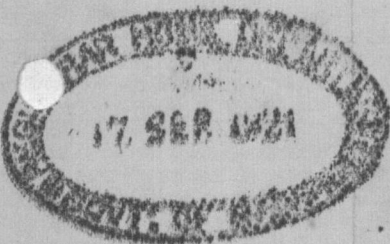
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serious problems that confronts
India, and has engaged the serious attention of Sir Robert
Baden Powell and all who are interested in the movement
ever since the question of admitting Indian Boys into the
Association was first mooted.

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The methods of training in the various provinces
differ, and no Province knows what other Provinces are
doing, and, as there are very few in the movement who have
a first hand knowledge of the recent developments of
training in Gilwell Park, the model training camp for the
whole organisation, the need for special steps to initiate
the Indian organisation into the new methods is clear.

Of the two alternatives, that of sending Indians
to England and/or of deputing a Gilwell Park man to visit
India, the latter has been chosen as less costly and more
expeditious.

If this opportunity is lost and other Provinces
have the privilege of Capt. Gidney's instructions, it is
certain that the movement in the Madras Presidency will
be heavily handicapped and will lag behind the rest of
India.

I regret that All India Headquarters have not
informed this Provincial Association as to the amount of
the share of the total expenditure which will have to be
borne by Madras Province. It is proposed that Capt. Gidney
should visit and hold one model camp in each of the
Provinces of Bombay, Bengal, Madras, C.P., U.P., Burma.
A suggestion has been made by our Provincial Council that
a seventh camp should be held in Colombo in order that
Ceylon may share expenses.

The Provincial programme is as follows.-

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Our Committee
w/ Shc
Madras from February 11th to February 26th as the Provincial dates clash with the visit of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales.

I see from the Government of India telegram that the maximum cost of the visit is estimated at Rs.20,000, and that the Headquarters Association will contribute £200, i.e., Rs.3,000. If the remaining Rs.17,000 is divided equally between six Provinces, the cost to each will be less than Rs.3,000. If Ceylon comes in, the cost will be well under Rs.2,500.

The Government of India are in sympathy with the movement and as far back as August 31st, 1921, they addressed the Provincial Commissioners with the suggestion that the several Provinces should be asked to contribute from Provincial revenues and the Telegram from the Govt. of India confirms this.

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I would point out that the movement in India is young, and that it has not advanced far enough yet to command large revenues from private subscribers. I may also add that the educative value of Scouting is acknowledged on all sides wherever scouting has been at work for a considerable period of years. The movement has admittedly succeeded in creating a spirit of self-reliance and good citizenship, and I am sure that such qualities count for nothing with the Madras Government. Capt. Gidney's visit is intended to give the new movement a good start and place it on a firm basis. The amount required is not large, but I am quite sure that our Association, which has grievous need of funds for carrying on its work, will not be able to bear any substantial portion of the cost of Capt. Gidney's visit. Other Provinces are assisting the scout movement with financial help, and I do not think any of them will refuse assistance towards Capt. Gidney's visit. I venture to suggest that, considering the objects in view and the issues at stake, a grant of Rs.2500 would be well spent.

though he objects on departmental grounds to a scouting being debited to the educational budget. His note, however, is a little misleading. By 'we are training' he implies that the Government are doing it. Of the four names he mentions, only Mr. Mendis is lent by the Government. Messrs. Oakley and Menon are not training scoutmasters, and Mr. Venkateswaran is the only other training officer that we have, and the Association cannot afford to pay more than his T.A. Messrs. Mendis and Venkateswaran cannot keep abreast of the demand for training. There is keenness everywhere, and an output of 100 scoutmasters per annum for the next year or two will be nothing like enough, unless the movement is to lag. It is needless to point out that the scoutmaster is the most important factor of the movement, and that, unless scoutmasters are properly trained the movement will collapse from inefficiency.

I hope I have made it plain that the scout movement in Madras cannot "very well do without" the services of Capt. Gidney.

Lucy Law (Ed.)

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I think we ought not to judge paying his double seem Mr. Richards suggests if we think that Capt. Gidney's visit is likely to be useful to the movement. At this point there can hardly be any room for doubt as Mr. Richards who ought to know says it will & he & I would not have proposed to bring Mr. Cap. Gidney if his visit was unnecessary. The movement is still young

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Uo. note

Boy Scouts - Special training
Classes by Captain Gidney -
D.P.G's Uo. note no 327/213 17.9.21.

The Govt consider ~~it~~

~~It is desirable that~~
Captain Gidney ^{should visit the Madras}
^{Presidency} and hold a model camp for Scouts.
They accordingly propose to make
a contribution of Rs 2,500/- (Two
thousand five hundred) ^{towards his expenses connected with the} The D.P.G.
is requested to indicate the
source from which the expenditure
can be met from the current year's
budget under E.D.

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The expenditure may be met from the antici-
pated savings in the current year's budget pro-
vision of Rs. .70 lakhs for Medical Inspection
of schools.

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Law (Edn) Dept

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Draft telegram to India
(Harry Paul Selby)
and the Boy Scouts Assn, Calcutta
subd for approval. Mr Richard
may see after issue.

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The following telegram will be
despatched: -

Boy Scouts - Captain
Gidney's training classes
for Scout Masters - contribution
of Rs 2,500 promised.

(1) Govt of India,
Dept of Education
Simla.

(2) D.N. Basu Esquire,
Honorary Secretary, Boy Scouts
Association Calcutta.

Your telegram [No]
1232 [of the] 14th Sept [1921]
[regarding] financial assistance
towards Captain Gidney's
Scout Master training classes.
Govt. Madras Govt (are)
prepared (to) contribute
rupees two thousand five
hundred.

Addressed Education,
Simla repeated D.N. Basu
Calcutta.

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1st Novr. 1921. 192

The Secretary to the Govt. of Madras,
Law (Education) Department,
Madras.

Dear Sir,

Your letter dated 12th Oct. informing me that the Govt.
of Madras are prepared to contribute Rs.2,500/- towards Capt.
Gidney's Scout Master's training classes for which many thanks.

Yours truly,

D. N. Basu

Hony. Secretary,
The Boy Scouts Association (India)

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The All-India Council of Scoutmasters
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THE SCOUTS ASSOCIATION OF INDIA
(Incorporated by Royal Charter)

YOUR LETTER DATED 12TH OCT. INFORMING ME THAT THE GOVT.
OF INDIA ARE PREPARED TO GRANT A SUBSIDY OF Rs. 2,500/- FOR THE
SCOUTS ASSOCIATION OF INDIA FOR THE YEAR 1941-42.

Yours faithfully,

THE BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION (INDIA)

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