

## DECORATIVE CONTAINERS

a bright crimson. Use a bright yellow paper for the background, with the Guide and Scout badge motif cut out in green and pasted on. The motifs are cut out quite easily by folding the paper in half, drawing half the badge, starting from the fold. Cut the double paper with scissors, and when opened up you will have a well-balanced figure (see fig. 4).

## PYRAMIDS

Can you build a pyramid—not a stone one like those of the ancient Egyptians, but one built of words? Each word has one more letter than the word before and the whole pyramid makes a sentence, something like this—

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NOT  
LIKE  
OTHER  
PATROL  
LEADERS  
SHOUTING  
AWKWARDLY  
LONGWINDED  
NONSENSICAL  
INSTRUCTIONS

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WAS  
EASY  
USING  
GUIDES'  
METHODS  
TEACHING  
IMPORTANT  
ELEMENTARY  
HANDICRAFTS  
ATTRACTIVELY

Try it in Patrol time and see who can build the best pyramid in the shortest time.

—D. H. N.

## SKIRT TIPS

After washing a permanently pleated skirt press it while still wet into an old nylon stocking. Peg the stocking to the garden line on a breezy day. The skirt will soon dry and the pleats will look like new.

### THE UMBRELLA TREATMENT

To dry a paper nylon waist-slip so that it keeps its stiffness and perfect shape spread it over an open umbrella. Never let it get really dirty before washing it, because if it is rubbed, squeezed or kneaded it will lose its papery stiffness and have a streaky appearance when dry. If it is only slightly soiled it will come clean and bright again in a few minutes if swished lightly through warm, soapy water.

### MAKE A SLIP OF IT

If a last year's summer skirt doesn't look quite smart enough for the coming summer, shorten it and wear it as a waist-slip under a new season's skirt, provided the material and colour of this are suitable. A last year's sun frock in a similar state will only need a little altering to turn it into a full-length slip to wear under new summer frocks.

—W. B.