

GIRL LEADERS OF

"A LTHOUGH boy offenders are in the majority, the number of girls has increased enormously, and often they are the ringleaders of boy gangs," declared an official of North London Juvenile Court during the week-end.

Child crime has increased so much in the Court's area that magistrates have had to sit for two days in succession for the first time.

And what some child offenders think of magistrates and probation officers would sur-

prise you, according to Mr. E. H. Holmes, Chief Constable of Blackpool.
Addressing the week-end school of the Lancashire and Cheshire branch of National Probation Officers, he declared:—

"If you heard what youngsters say about leading us up the garden path when they are going out of court, and some of the language about the police, magistrates and probation officers, it would make your hair curl."

Eve's Fault Again

There seemed to be a tendency to blame anything or any social condition for invenile delinquency, he maintained, rather than face the simble fact of original sin.

"Special Courts are a ghastly mistake." he said. "We have to take children away from police buildings and we must not show a man in uniform and a policeman must not look like a policeman

a policeman.

"Yet children, I think, are better to-day than you and I were but I believe in strict discipling."

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Referring to the Chief Constable's remark about original sin, Mr. H. E. Norman said:—
"Evidently juvenile crime started with Eve in the Garden of Eden. It seems as if we shall have to abolish women and let men go back to their simple life."

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spinning 'em a yarn in the West Indies. And he'll have another to spin to the folks when he gets home. He's seeing

stories . . . He's

the world in H.M.S. Vindictive.

SCOTLAND YARD believe that the mystery 'phone caller who threatened M. Bohus Benesh, nephew of the former President of Czechoslovakia, may be an agent in London of the German Secret Police, the Gestapo.

Co-operating with the Foreign Office and the Secret Service, Yard detectives visited at the week-end a number of German restan-ants in London, believed to be frequented by German agents.

The latest threat to the Benesh family was received by Mme. Benesh, wife of M. Bohus Benesh, at her home in Putney. A voice over the telephone told Mme. Benesh:---

"I am Inspector Allison, of Scotland Yard. I have been told to warn you that unless your

I have been told to warn you that unless your husband stops talking politics he will be deported from this country."

Mme. Benesh said the man spoke in English, with the trace of a German accent. She reported the incident to Scotland Yard and to the Foreign Office.

A Foreign Office official stated that Scotland Yard precautions have been taken to prevent Mme. Benesh being worried in the future.

TOURS PIONEER DIES

Within a few hours of being rushed to London from France after a West Indies cruise, Sir Henry Simpson Lunn, world famous as founder of the travel organisation which bears his name, died during the week-end at the St. John and St. Elizabeth Hospital, St. John's Wood. He was seventy-hine.

£250.000 FOR A E GHT weeks after the death of her seventy-year-old millionaire husband, Lady Charlotte Deterding, aged forty, has given birth to a daughter in a

Berlin nursing home. Under the terms of her oil-magnate husband's will the child will inherit about a quarter of a million pounds.

Lady Charlotte is to name the baby after her husband, Sir Henri Wilhelm August. The baby will be christened Henrietta Wilhelmina

Sir Henri left more than £2,000,000, but the

son by his first marriage told the Daily

"Lady Charlotte was terribly fond of Sir Henri. His death came as a great shock to her. But she seems happy now she has the baby.

"She didn't mind whether it was a girl or a boy. In either case, she was determined it should be named after him.

exact figure is not yet known.

Lady Charlotte was Sir Henri's third wife. They were married in 1936.

She was formerly Fraulein Charlotte Knaack and acted for some time as his secretary.

Mrs. Henry Deterding, wife of Sir Henri's his three marriages, said Mr. Deterding.

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