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It is with a great deal of pleasure that I publish a message from our Hon. Vice-President on this very special occasion, one which I am sure will be a milestone in the history of our Club in the years to come.

BOY SCOUTS INTERNATIONAL BUREAU,
Commonwealth Building,
77 Metcalfe Street,
Ottawa, 4, CANADA.

Having played a small part in the formation of the Scout Stamps Collectors Club five years ago, I am very glad to take this opportunity of greeting all members young and old.

Ours is a doubly interesting Club because it combines two interests - Scouting and Stamps. I am sure it is the same with most members.

It is a continual encouragement to all of us in the Boy Scout Movement that so many postal authorities continue to give recognition to Scouting through the issue of special stamps. This surely is an indication of the value and importance of Scouting in the eyes of the various governments.

It is for Scouting to ensure that it continues to merit this recognition by training boys to be the sort of men all our countries need. It is for us, as members of the Scout Stamps Collectors Club to encourage new young people to join our membership and to provide them with information, and ideas, and contacts helpful to them in the pursuit of their hobby.

I hope every member will introduce at least one more person to the Club, as a way of marking our 5th birthday.

Good Scouting, and Good Hunting to you all.

Yours sincerely,

Hon. Vice-President.



By the Editor

We felt that we could not allow this number of the Journal to go by without giving Junior members something special: The Secretary-General has very kindly sent me two copies of Mr Harry D. Thorsen's Specialised Catalogue of Scout Stamps and Scout Seals with a suggestion that I arrange a competition for you. These in the past have not been very successful, have they? This time, however, the prizes are something special, so perhaps we shall have a good number of entries. Please send me your answers so that they reach me by April 21st (for those living in Great Britain) and by June 16th (for those living elsewhere). The first correct solution opened on these days from these two areas will each receive a copy of this Catalogue, and I will publish their names in the May and July Journals respectively.

Here are the questions: -

- 1. Several countries have issued stamps which have the likeness of B.P. on them. List the countries and the stamps.
- 2. Which countries have issued stamps for World Jamborees?
- 3. Which Scout stamps have been issued that show St. George and the Dragon?
- 4. One Scout stamp has been issued which was printed by three processes. What country issued it and what processes were used?
- 5. Some countries have issued Scout Stamps but no longer do so because they are under Communistic rule. Which are these countries?

We have no objection to your asking adults to help you, but do try to do it yourself. Good luck in your searching and I hope I shall receive a lot of entries.

FIFTH ANNIVERSARY "CONVENTION" AT B-P HOUSE

By Howard L. Fears

Baden-Powell House, Saturday February 9th, 2.30 p.m., in the "Quiet" Room. And no less than 39 Club members and friends had assembled for the opening of the 5th Anniversary Meeting.

After a welcome to all by Club President Roy Rhodes, I was called upon to give a report of the year. There was a certain amount of competition from the loudspeaker, but I managed to give details of most important features. First of all there was the Journal, with its new cover and printing changes. Then the Gilwell Park Wood Badge Reunion meeting was considered, and also the Club Constitution and Committee elections.

Turning to the finances, the large new membership had helped to secure a useful improvement in the credit balance. At the end of January 1961 the credit was little more than £16; at the end of this January the credit was over £34.

Before ending the report I gave details of expected Scout stamps and cancels in 1962 - which all serves to underline the common-sense in joining the Club Cover Service and also the Mint Stamp Service.

The next stage of the "Convention" took the form of displays. I showed some very recent material and Roy Rhodes followed with some early (and priceless) items. This gave an inevitable introduction to the final "swopping" and bourse. Committee members present crept away for a meeting, interrupted only by calls to duty. Numerous requests were received for the Meeting to become an annual event.

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APPROVAL SERVICE

David Start who organises the Service writes that he has recently obtained a few covers printed and issued by a Scout Troop in Mafeking. These covers, postmarked MAFEKING 22.2.57 were issued to celebrate the centenary of the birth of Baden Powell; they also boar a reproduction of a photograph of B-P token during the siege of Mafeking. Only 100 covers were printed and the majority of them remain in the hands of members and friends of the Troop concerned. David is offering copies to members of the S.S.C.C. at 12/6d. each and has circulated far more members than he has covers. A prompt remittance would probably be important.

MINT STAMP SERVICE

By Howard L. Fears

The support for this Service has been very considerable - far more members have enrolled than the minimum considered necessary, so the service is now ON. Any member who has not yet joined the service and wishes to do so is invited to write and tell me straight away. If you want anything unusual, this can often be organised, given sufficient notice, e.g. corner block of 4, or a pair of each issue. After all, we do try and help.

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NEWS FROM HERE AND THERE

In the presence of relatives, friends, and members of the 1st Berkhamsted Group the District Commissioner, Mr E. J. Williams, recently unveiled the memorial to the late A. S. M. John Rance.

The memorial, in the form of an oak panel, is fixed to a wall in the Group Room of their Headquarters and will serve not only to keep John's devotion, loyalty, and active interest fresh in the minds of members but to serve as a means for inscribing the name of the winner of an annual achievement.

There are no set rules for this but the Scouters will decide towards the close of each year and choose the Scout who in their opinion tried to do his best to follow the example of John Rance.

The 'Scout of the Year' 1961 was John Blight who has been a junior member of the S.S.C.C. since May 1958 (No. 129). He has been presented with a book trophy from his Group and has the honour of being the first one to have his name inscribed on the memorial panel.

As well as being an enthusiastic Scout and a keen member of the S.S.C.C. (he won the prize in the competition for juniors at our B.P. House gathering) he is also a member of the Parish Church choir.

F. S. B.

Our overworked Membership Secretary, Stanley Blunt, has been concentrating on preparing the new Membership List - a truly gigantic task as you will see from your copy which accompanies this Journal - This would not have been possible had it not been for the untiring efforts of a good friend of his, Miss Dorothy Hull, who nobly vol-

unteered to undertake the typing of this list together with much of the preparatory work. To this lady we send a Scouty BRAVO along with our grateful thanks. He does not mention whether she is connected in any way with the Scout or Guide Movements; if she isn't, she certainly portrays their spirit of Service.

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(With apologies to R.K.)

If you can keep your stamps when those around you
Are selling theirs for profit - or for fun;
If you can find a "snip", yet refuse to buy it
Because the wife has said, "It can't be done";
If you can show your treasures, and with honesty
Say what you've paid for each and everyone;
If you can exhibit your unique collection
But congratulate your rival because he's won;
You're not human, my son.

If you can keep your stamps in superb condition
And mount them neatly and in order, one by one;
If you can take a hinge and with your tongue extended
Lick just sufficient of the gum for it to run;
If you can print in ink without it smudging
So that it's legible for all to read when done;
If you can tell by merely glancing quickly
That the "B-P Mafeking" is a 'cracked plate' one;

You're a blinking marvel, my son.

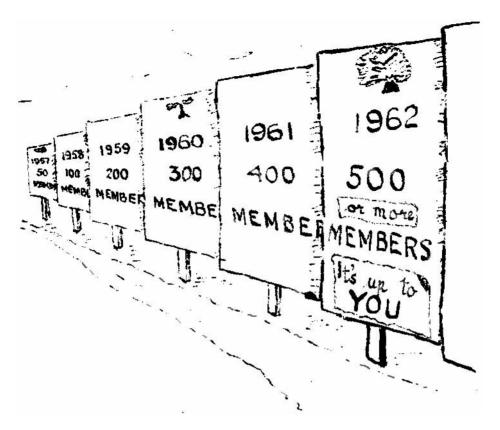
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MEMBERS WANTS

Collects items associated with transit systems, e.g. omnibus, trams, undergrounds, etc, including transit maps, "transfers" and pictures when available.

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ACORNS GROW INTO SOMETHING BIGGER

By Howard L. Fears

If your membership number is less than 100 you may have read before of the early days of S.S.C.C. But it is quite a cry from the meeting early in 1957 in the office of General Dan Spry at the Ebury Street headquarters of the Scouts' International Bureau, when a handful of enthusiasts thought of the need for a Club based in England for collectors of Scout stamps and cancels. It really was a handful, but you will be pleased to know that every one of that original band is still an active, enthusiastic supporter. Of course, the band has grown and the Club has spread throughout the world, but it says much for the plans made that evening that not one of the basic decisions has been changed in the course of five years.

How has the Club grown? Almost by fits and starts. The first member was registered on February 20th 1957 and as interest

grow as the result of the Sutton Coldfield Jamboree, enquiries came in. Within 6 months we had passed our 50, and in January 1958, 100 was reached. At that stage, the number of Club officials was small - President, Secretary, Editor, and everything could be handled by one person, not by being "passed down the line". Before 1958 was finished, our second hundred members had been enrolled - on December 29th to be precise.

Hereafter, for a while, growth slowed down in terms of new members, but not in respect of organisation. Expansion of Club facilities, aided by many more helpers, meant that for his subscription each member was getting even better services than at the beginning, and this expansion of facilities has continued ever since. But as 1960 closed, we "clocked up" our 300th member, and the pace was getting hot again. From then on the stream of new enrolments became a torrent, and as news of the Club's existence has grown, so enquiries have been continuous. October 1961 marked the 400th enrolment, and perhaps 1962 will see 500 - I think I shall be surprised if it doesn't.

What of future membership? Club organisation is now sufficient to handle the present growth, due to the very large band of voluntary helpers. When limiting membership was mentioned some time ago, there was quite an outcry - "the Scout Movement opens its doors to all, and if we aim to serve the Movement, then we must do likewise", as one member wrote. But speaking personally, I must say that one of the greatest joys I have experienced through S. S. C. C. is the tremendous volume of real friends I have gained. I am proud to have been able to serve, and my own toast on the Club's fifth birthday is a personal as well as a Committee one - "To Club Members everywhere, bless 'em."

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SALES BUREAU

By Charles Seaton

Dear Members,

Thank you for your orders and enquiries of "Sales Bureau" items and it is regretted that some delay has been caused through an attack of influenza.

Advertised items are not usually in large supply and my advice to prospective buyers is to order as soon as possible, for

market prices are rising quickly these days. Study some of our prices and those from outside sources. The "Thorsen" catalogue of Scout stamps and seals may seem rather expensive at 14/- but the information it contains is well worth the money; furthermore, I am prepared to send it on approval if the prospective buyer is prepared to pay postage costs.

This is all for this month - except a list of items I have in stock - I get a lot of enjoyment from doing this job especially as I like writing to people and, of course, receiving their letters. You will find my address in the inside cover.

Stock Items

Back dated copies of the Journals: - Vol.1, Nos. 1, 2 and 3. Vol.2, Nos. 2 and 5. Vol.3, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5. Vol.4, Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 5. Vol.5, Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 5.

All numbers at 1/- a copy which includes postage.

First Day Covers				
Second Caribbean Jamboree, 4.4.61	3s.	4d.		
Sankt Georg. 22.4.61				
Gilwell Reunion (singles)				
B. P. Guild		9d.		
2nd Whitton Scout Group, Silver Jubilee (sold only				
through the Sales Bureau)	1s.	Od.		
Philippines 1960 Girl Scout	1s.	6d.		
" 1961 Scout Week	1s.	9d.		
Sundry items				
Index to Vols. 1 & 2 of Journal		3d.		
Illustrations of cancellations (Oct. 1958)		3d.		
" " (Nov. 1959)		3d.		
Thorsen Catalogue of Scout stamps and seals 14s. 0				
Sheet of Australian Jamboree seals 9d				



Member Stanley Hunter (51) has sent me some details of an interesting private "mark" which was applied to postcards flown over Plymouth during "Scout Week" in 1938, and issued by the Air Patrol of the 30th Plymouth. This patrol was one of the air "pioneers", since Air Scouts did not become a special section until 1941. He came across these details in a copy of "The Scout". The "mark", which I doubt can be termed a postmark in the true sense of the word reads "30th Plymouth Air Patrol/FLOWN OVER PLYMOUTH/BY/SCOUT WEEK/JUNE 19th-28th/PLANE" in six lines on the right with a Scout badge on the loft, contained in a rectangle 62mm by 30mm. Can any member throw further light on this and does anyone possess one of these cards?

He also refers to the information included on page 90 of the July Journal, received from our member Francisco Valedez Jr. concerning the use of a special cancellation for the 1st. Central American Camporee at Managua (?) (In the July number the venue is quoted as Chiltope!) Francisco doubted the use of a special cancellation but Stanley has been doing some digging and has

unearthed the following: -

Firstly, according to the S.O.S.S.I. Journal, there was a cancellation used in Nicaragua on November 29th - or thereabouts: from the "Scout Philatelic Gazette", he goes on to quote - "While the (1948) sheet used on piece or cover is quite rare, so is the special cancel which reads 'For the 1st Central-American Scout Jamboree at Managua, 1952'. It will be interesting to note what price this lot brings. It is the first such cancel which we have over seen"

There still appears something peculiar about this 'quote' and further information is essential before we can be certain the cancellation mentioned is not a privately sponsored one.

(Incidentally, Stanley was asked to provide a Scout stamp display at the recent Queen Scout reception hold in Glasgow and was commended by the Chief Scout in person. Good show. Editor)

Our correspondent, Leong Ghee Kong (222) of Singapore, writes that he has been in touch with the Director of Posts (Finance) who has corrected the information Keng supplied me and which I published in the September Journal about the cancellation used at CAMP SEMANGAT. Here I quote the Director of Posts:-

"Regarding the postal services provided at CAMP SEMANGAT, CHERAS, the following facilities were provided between the hours of 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. during the period 7th - 11th August 1961, by a Mobile Post Office, (a) sale of stamps (b) acceptance of items and parcels for registered post, (c) sale and encashment of postal orders etc., including issue of money orders and delivery of correspondence, registered articles and parcels."

Some covers apparently received the special cancellation CHAMPOREE, and others did not.

Thanks, Keng, for sending this official information.

Howard Fears has passed no a copy of the official information issued by the Crown Agents Stamp Bureau, concerning the Ceylon Golden Jubilee, 35 cent stamp which was due for sale on February 26th. I have extracted the more important details for your records. The stamp has been produced by Helio Courvoisier S.A. of Switzerland from a design by W.A. Ariyasena and features the Ceylon Scout badge

in buff on a blue background. Printed by the photogravure process on unwatermarked paper, the size is 36mm x 26mm, perforation to perforation.

Some relevant notes on Scouting in Ceylon also accompanied the bulletin as well as a photograph of the stamp.

Scouting was first introduced into Ceylon in 1912 by Mr F. Stevens, a British Engineer, attached to the Public Works Dept, who later was appointed the first Colonial Commissioner. The Movement quickly spread and the first big rally was held in Havelock Park, Colombo in 1916. The following year an "All Ceylon" rally was held and the first Sea Scout Troop was formed at Trincomalee. Baden Powell paid his first official visit to Ceylon in 1921, accompanied by his wife and in 1924, the first Scout Wood Badge Course was held. Ceylon Scouts represented their country at Wembley in 1924 and at the World Jamboree at Copenhagen and at all subsequent World Jamborees and many other overseas gatherings.

The Ceylon Boy Scout Association was granted International status as a self governing association in 1953, and in 1961 the census figures for all ranks was 19,865.

I am sure many of you will find the information collated by the Crown Agents Stamp Bureau interesting and useful. Many thanks, Howard.

Two members have written to the Secretary General separately but with roughly the same ideas. Both suggested that each issue of the Journal should include an up-to-date listing of a country - I presume stamps and not cancellations are intended - even when earlier numbers of the Journal have recorded some details, e.g. January issue - Denmark, March issue - Norway, and so on. An additional suggestion from one correspondent was that the listings could occupy the centre pages of the Journal so that members could, if they so desire, detach such pages and gradually build up a reference catalogue. He further suggested that extra copies of each insert should be printed as some members may like to purchase an extra copy.

Whilst the Committee members are always willing to try to adopt members suggestions and ideas, I feel that there are two disadvantages in these referred to above: - One, that few listings

of the stamps of one country would completely occupy a double page i.e. a four sided insert and in many cases quite a lot of space would be wasted; two, at the present rate of new Scout stamp issues, quite a number of listings would be out-of-date before twelve months had elapsed.

Personally, although I think there is some merit in the ideas put forward, I rather doubt whether any member would be prepared to act as collator of these listings.

I appreciate that the Priced Catalogue which is issued biannually does not include all the information many members may wish for, and perhaps it may be possible for some compromise to be made when this is next prepared. It depends, I think, on what the majority of members want - a very brief description of the issues with the catalogue numbers and realistic pricings or more emphasis on details of the stamps themselves, i.e. face value, colour, printers, numbers printed, perforations etc.

What do YOU think?

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GILWELL PARK WOOD BADGE REUNION 1962

By the Secretary-General

The arrangements in 1961, whilst showing what could be done, have made us more ambitious for 1962. Instead of a short meeting at a fixed time, it has been suggested that a permanent stand from, say, Saturday mid-day to Sunday p.m., would enable many casual enquirers to learn about the Club. We could have material on display and a Club Member on duty all the time (or nearly), with relevant details. Perhaps a few items might even be available for sale on the Club's behalf. (All of this, of course, subject to approval from Gilwell). Then we could finish, as last year, with a small meeting at a specific time.

Committee members have promised to do what is necessary, but obviously the more helpers there are, the less onerous will be the obligation on any one person. So, in short, can you spare any time over the first weekend in September? I know it's a long way off, but I also know that it only seems like yesterday that I was thinking about Christmas - and now it's nearly Spring. So

suggestions and offers of help to me, please. If enough offers are received, it should mean that an hour per head would be adequate. (Now then you Wood Badgers, see what you can do! Editor.)

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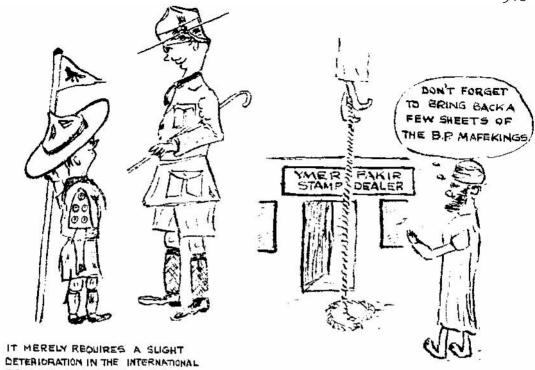
From Portugal I have received notice that the Philatelic Section of the Portuguese "B-P Guild" of former Scouts and Guides are holding their second Philatelic Exhibition of "Scouts on Stamps" at Lisbon in April. On behalf of the Club I have sent a message of fraternal greetings.

This leads me to another topic, suggested to me at B-P House by Tom Holton. From time to time requests are received for material for display purposes (only last week a Canadian Scouter in Europe wrote to me and enquired whether I had anything available for display). Might it be a good idea to form a Club Collection - it need not be retrospective, and could be based on Permanent List Distributions, plus any gifts, etc. Nothing yet has been decided, but if members have views, please write and tell me.

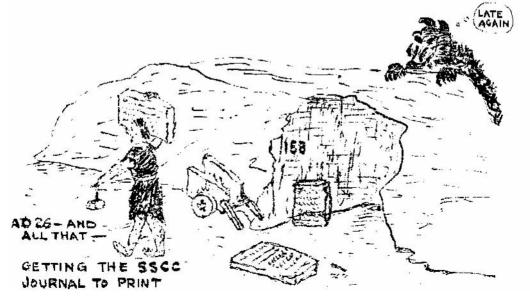
I must mention the very noble work in spreading news of the Club being carried out in Africa by member Malcolm DONALDSON. The

PHILATELIC TERMS ILLUSTRATED.
(No Prize For The First Correct Solution Received)





DETERIORATION IN THE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION, FORTESCUE MINICR, AND YOU MAY FIND YOURSELF ALERTED FOR GUARO DUTY AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE.



list of countries for which he is providing details of the Club is most impressive. Thanks Malcolm.

One volunteer - grateful thanks to new assistant D.C.D. POTTER, who has agreed to help as Hon. Auditor. This is not one of the glamorous jobs, frequently in the limelight, but very essential, nevertheless.

(Anent our Secretary's remarks concerning the formation of a Club Collection, there is the question of who would take over the job of mounting and writing up the collection and keeping it up to date. Maybe our Secretary has someone in mind!! Editor)

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THE DE LUXE SHEETS OF THE FRENCH 1947 JAMBOREE STAMPS

Contributed by Claud Marchal, Member 140

(Claud mentions that the following article has been made possible, thanks to the co-operation he received from Mr Burka, the world famous specialist of French de luxe sheets and proofs. Editor)

The first die was made for a 3f.50 stamp that was never issued, as the postal rate was changed in the meantime. The die was never hardened and there should not be more than 50 artist's proofs, all in brown, signed by the artist Piel, in existence. I have one such proof that is on a sheet of white paper 145 by 145mm, the inner frame being 70 by 80 mm. I have also a reception proof of this die in black on a sheet of brownish paper 113 by 142mm. the inner frame being 69 by 78 mm. The design is almost identical to that of the issued 5f. stamp except that the 'O' of 'JAMBOREE' is leaning to the right. Both stamps were meant for rotary printing.

The official Post Office printing was done by the 'ATELIER DU TIMBRE' which is a Government workshop, all stamps printed there being like those we all know, i.e., the '9' of '1947' is narrow. The colour proofs are very scarce as there are only 18 available, one for each colour; actually, 3 of each colour were made, but one was stuck down hard in a scrapbook belonging to the workshop, another is in the Post Office Records and has a drymark, whilst the third was given to Postal or Government Authorities who were able to sell them. I have one of these proofs which is on

white paper, the sheet being 140 by 110 mm: the inner frame is 32 by 49mm. These sheets have the special three perforations at the bottom, i.e. two lozenges, and in the middle, a hind of semicircle. There is also an official de luxe sheet that was printed in the colour of the stamp, with the words ATELIER DE FABRICATION DES TIMBRES-POSTE PARIS, printed in the lower right corner of the sheet which is a white paper measuring 155 by 127 mm: the inner frame is also 32 by 49 mm.

Where does this wide '9' type fit in? It was once thought that an official post card, like the 1938 one, would be issued, using the same stamp, but for some reason -- probably the change of postal rate and the lack of time -- the idea was dropped and no post cards were printed. 1947 was only two years after the end of World War II and the official workshop could not work both problems together, so a private company which does not exist any more -- the L'INSTITUT DE GRAVURE -- was put in charge of working out a die for flat printing. This is the main reason for the slight differences from the rotary printed stamps that were issued.

This private company did two kinds of proofs, some on official white paper; there should not be more than 18 colours of which 3 of each were given to the Post Office and used the same way as for the other official proofs of the stamp itself. But who knows whether the company got hold of more than 18 times three of these sheets? Anyway, these proofs are on white paper size 138 by 105 mm. the inner frame being 34 by 49 mm. They also have three official perforations. I have five different colours, but I must say that like all colour proofs, it is absurd to have all 18 as some shades vary so little.

There also exists those on brown or cream paper which measures 136 by 111mm, the inner frame being 34 by 48 mm. without the three perforations. Who knows how many of these exist -- perhaps the dealer who bought the stocks may!

What are reasonable prices for this material? I have really no idea; but I can tell you I paid \$44 for the 'real' colour proof and \$12 in 1952 for the 'post card' - large '9' ones.

(Thanks a lot, Claud, for shedding a lot of light on this little known issue. Editor)

SCOUT ANNIVERSARY FROM BELGIUM

By Howard L. Fears

In May 1962 will be celebrated the 50th Anniversary of the V.V.K.S. Flemish Association of Catholic Scouts. For the following details I am deeply grateful to our Belgian member, Miss SUY, and her father:

Arrangements are in the hands of 35 sub-committees. On May 19th competitions will be hold between 11 Scout Judo Clubs for a championship in the exchange and commercial building in Antwerp. (All the celebrations are centered on, Antwerp). The same afternoon the international exhibition of Scout stamps, cancellations seals, etc, will be opened. A permanent post office will be at the exhibition and a special cancellation applied to all mail posted there. The cancel will read - "50 JAAR KATHOLIEKE SCOUTING IN VLAANDEREN", i.e. 50 years of Catholic Scouting in Flanders. A new issue of Scout stamps can be ruled out completely, but there is a possibility that the 1957 pair will be re-issued, appropriately overprinted.

Special seals or labels are already in use. At the exhibition a metal pin badge will be on sale to commemorate the occasion. Also on May 19th the organising committee will be received at the Town Hall and will be decorated and awarded with a medal in honour of 50 years service for Flemish youth.

Sunday May 20th will be the BIG Day. 30,000 Flemish Scouts, in not less than 550 buses are due to converge on Antwerp, and a procession will take place lasting at least 3 hours. 60,000 parents and relatives are expected, plus foreign Scout delegations etc. On Sunday afternoon there will be Scouting Displays at the Antwerp Sports Stadium.

A special song has been written for the occasion, and there will be coverage by T.V., radio and the press. Not less than 7 police and army wireless stations will be organised to arrange communications and messages throughout Belgium. The local Antwerp police force will be assisted by Rovers to ensure that the schedule is kept exactly.

From our particular point of interest, apart from the special cancel, I am advised that 2 maximum cards and a cover will be on sale at the Exhibition. Now please note the following very carefully - At the very kind invitation of Mr Suy, I shall be present

in person at the Exhibition, etc. and I hope to take a few items for display. This means to say that I hope to be in a position to deal with philatelic requirements personally. For instance, if time permits I will send the set of 2 cards and a cover direct to each member of the Permanent List, each one individually addressed, genuinely posted at the Exhibition. If I am really pressed for time I shall have to use a rubber stamp and send them to myself, but I shall try and arrange direct despatch. If you want extra covers or cards, or if you are not a member of the Permanent List and would like me to send these to you, or if you wish me to try and secure any special souvenirs, etc. write and let no know. I can only promise that I will do my very best and the list will be compiled on the basis of "first come, first served". So let no know at once if you require covers etc.

I really am most grateful to our Belgian friends for the invitation, and regard this as one more proof, not only of the universality of Scouting, but also of our own common interest in stamps.

(The Secretary-General's offer is certainly a very "Scouty" one for it entails doing a great deal of hard work. Editor)

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COMPLETE LIST OF SWISS SCOUT CAMP CANCELLATIONS, PRE CAMP MACHINE SLOGANS, LABELS AND HANDSTAMPS FOR OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS

By Fredy Scherb, Member 293

(The following list of Swiss Scout Camp cancellations etc. has been sent by our Swiss member, Fredy Scherb, No. 293. This is the type of article which I am always pleased to receive as it is so useful to so many members particularly as it gives a complete listing. He acknowledges the kind help given by Mr W. Grob, a member of our counterpart in America, The S.O.S.S., International. Thanks a lot, Fredy.)

A. CAMP CANCELLATIONS

- 1925 <u>1st National Scout Camp, Bern.</u>
 Black Roundstamp "1. Schweiz Pfadfinderlager Bern 1925"
- 1931 <u>Internat. Rovermoot, Kandersteg</u>
 Black Roundstamp "Internat. Roverlager 1931 Kandersteg"

- 1932 2nd National Scout Camp, Genève,
 Black Roundstamp "Camp Nat. Eclaireurs Suisses Genève"
- 1938 <u>3rd National Scout Camp, Zürich</u>
 Red Handstamp "Zürich, 3. Schweiz. Pfadfinder-Bundeslager
 1938" + black Roundstamp "2 Schweiz. Automobilpostbureau"
- 1948 4th National Scout Camp, Lugano-Trevano
 Red Handstamp "Campo nazionale esplaratori svizzeri LuganoTrevano 1948" + black Roundstamp "2 Ufficio Postale Automobile"
- 1953 Rovermoot, Kandersteg
 Black Handstamp "Rovermoot Kandersteg 29. Juli-8, August 1953"
 " black Roundstamp "2 Schweiz. Automobilpostbureau"
- 1956 <u>1st Swiss Scout Airmail, Col do Jaman Sion</u>
 Green Handstamp "ler Vol Scout Suisse Col de Jaman Sion
 26 février 1956 par l'aviateur des glaciers Hermann Geiger"
 " black Roundstamp "Sion 26.11.56"
- 1956 <u>5th National Scout Camp. Sainelégier</u>
 Large black Roundstamp (lily inside) "Sainelégier 5e Camp
 National des Eclaireurs Suisses"
- 1957 Internat. Girl Scout Jubilee Camp Goms-Ulrichen
 Black Handstamp "Robert Baden-Powell 1857-1957 Lager/Camp/
 Campeggio Goms-Ulrichen" + black Roundstamp "2 Schweiz.
 Automobilpostbureau"

B. PRE CAMP MACHINE SLOGANS

- 1938 Black Machine Slogan "Schweiz. Pfadfinder-Bundeslager Zürich 25. VII-3. VIII" + black Roundstamp "Zürich 1, Briefversand" do. 3 variations
- 1956 Black Machine Slogan "Bienvenue au 5e Camp national des éclaireurs suisses Sainelégier 24 juillet-2 août 1956" + black P.O. do. Le Locle, Bienne/Biel and Neuchâtel

C. LABELS

- 1916 black-white print, large size round old Scout Seal (Armbrust over Swiss cross)
- 1922 red-black-white print, high size Swiss flag and sitting Scout, 1912-1922

- 1925 black-red-yellow print Scout in foreground and Bernese Cathedral with bridge in background. 3 variations:
 - a. "Schweiz. Pfadfinderlager Bern 1925"
 - b. "Camp Suisse d'Eclaireurs Berne 1925"
 - c. "1. accampamento svizzero Berna 1925"
- 1937 light-brown print, large size Scout bust and lily for Jubilee 25 years Swiss Scout Assn.
- 1938 multicoloured print, high size Scout bust with flags in background, 3. Schweiz. Bundeslager Zürich
- 1939 red-black print, high size
 Lily and Slogan for Scout journal "l'eclaireur"
- 1948 multicoloured print Scout looking out of Swiss map, Campo Nazionale Esploratori Svizzeri Lugano-Trevano 1948
- 1956 green-black-blue print
 - a. Label "Pro Jura" (Jura pines) with black overprint "5e Camp national 1956 Franches-Montagnes"
 - b. do. red overprint
 - c. Label "Pro Jura" (Lake of Gruyère) with small black overprint "5e Camp national 1956 Franches-Montagnes"
 - d. do. thick black overprint
- 1957 blue-black-white print
 25 years Catholic Scout Association

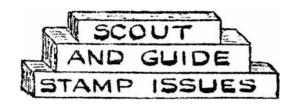
D. HANDSTAMPS FOR OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS

Handstamp Kandersteg "Pfadfinder-Chalet Kandersteg"

Handstamp Adelboden "Chalet Mondial des Eclaireuses OUR CHALET Adelboden"

- 1956 Camp Sainelégier
 - a. red Handstamp "5ème Camp National 1956 Franches-Montagnes"
 - b. black "Sous-Camp mécanique Unterlager 367"
 - c. black " "Unterlager 366 Spiel und Sport"
- 1957 Handstamp high size "1857-1957 100e anniversaire BP 22 février Rassemblement Régional du Château Lausanne 22.2.57" + P.O. Machine Slogan "N'oubliez pas les enfants suisses à l'étranger"

Bern, November 1961



IN THE WORLD OF SCOUT STAMPS AND CANCELS

By the Secretary-General

In the following review I cannot hope to cover every known stamp set or special cancel expected, but by deductions,

(logical or otherwise) I am predicting or recording the position for 1962 as so far known to me:-

JAPAN Third Nippon Jamboree. Aug. 2nd - 7th. Probably held neat Mt. Fuji. Cancel expected.

ICELAND * 50th Anniversary of Scouting - National Jamboree, July 28th to Aug. 7th. Camp will be at Thingvellir. Special stamp issue promised, camp cancel probable

HAITI * 22nd Anniversary. Scout stamp issue (not overprints) for February.

HONG KONG * Golden Jubilee Jamborette. Dec. 27th 1961 - Jan 2nd 1962. Camp at Kowloon. Special cancel.

AUSTRALIA * 7th World Rover loot. Dec. 27th 1961 - Jan. 7th 1962. Clifford Park, Melbourne. Special cancel and Registration label.

* Silver Jubilee of Girl Guides. 10m. stamp. issue date Feb. 22nd.

CANADA 4th Canadian Rover Moot. Aug. 28th - Sept. 4th. Laurentian Mountains. Cancel possible.

NEW ZEALAND* Jamboree. January 6th - 13th. At Dunedin. Special cancel.

CEYLON * Golden Jubilee Jamboree. Feb. 22 - March 3rd. Colombo. Special stamp and camp cancel.

U.S.A. * 50th Anniversary Girl Scouts of U.S.A. Special cancel in use in 26 different cities, starting Jan. 1st 1962.

THAILAND Third Far East Regional Scout Conference, December 5th - 12th. Bangkok. Cancel possible.

COLOMBIA * Scout issue forecast late in 1962. 5 or 6 values anticipated.

BELGIUM * 50th Anniversary V. V. K. S. in May. Celebrations in Antwerp. Special cancel.

SWITZERLAND * 50th Anniversary. Special cancel.

PARAGUAY Special stamp issue predicted.

CANAL ZONE* 50th Anniversary. Special stamp.

LIBYA "Philia" for Arab Scouts. Cancel possible. Labels already issued.

PORTUGAL * Scout stamp issue expected in May.

ARGENTINA National Jamboree. May be cancel.

BARBADOS 3 values of Scout stamps to be issued to mark Golden Jubilee of Barbados Boy Scout Association.

LEBANON Scout set of 8 values promised.

GREAT BRITAIN* In connection with the National Stamp Exhibition "STAMPEX 1962" a Miniature Sheet of British stamps will be issued including a reproduction of the 1957 Jubilee Jamboree 2%d value.

* = Stamps and covers expected through the Club Permanent List and Mint Stamp Service. Others are still being chased-up!

Late amendments to the foregoing: -

As I was about to send off the report on anticipated Scout items in 1962 several late news items reached me, viz:-

CANADA No special cancel now considered likely.

JAPAN Not only a cancel, but a stamp issue is promised.

LEBANON Issue due for release on Feb. 15th.

HAITI Scout issue due for release at end of February. But 50,000 each of 4 values of this set is to be overprinted for the International Airport!

PARAGUAY Stanley Blunt has sent me a First Day Cover released on Feb. 5th. It's a ghastly looking set, printed in Paraguay, without consultation with the local Scouts. It seems there are 5 ordinary values, 10c, 20c, 25c,

30c and 50c, plus airmail values 12c, 45, 36 and 50 Gs. There is also a souvenir block with the 50 Gs alone. Oh yes, some perf. some imperf, special blocks - the lot.

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NEW MEMBERS

A very warm welcome is extended to the following who have joined the Club since the issue of the last Journal.

My apologies for omitting to include the following member in the January Journal:-

425 Mrs T.W. Gentles 19 Marchmont Gardens, Bishopbriggs, Nr. Glasgow.

and also referring to Members 437 and 438 as 'Juniors': please delete the asterisk against these two names.

439	C. J. Bachmann	Boy Scouts of America, Hq, S.A.Com, G.1. APO 407, US Forces. (New York, U.S.A.)
440*	L. A. Malcolmson	No.2 R.D. Pukekohe, Auckland, New Zealand.
441*	Geoffrey R. Chant	70 Broomloan Lane, Sutton, Surrey.
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443	Martin T. Mills	2 Queenswood Road, Bridgwater, Somerset.
444*	Jacob Gelman	Ave. San Felipe, Qta. Degania 43 La Castellana, Caracas, Venezuela.
445*	Rodney J. Hartman	6 Cullinan Court, Boulder Road, Selcourt, Springs, Transvaal, South Africa.
446	J. M. Berry	c/o Healey & Wise Ltd, 14 Wormwood St, London, E.C.2.
447	George Oue	25 La Gauchetiere St, E, Montreal 1, P.Q., Canada.
459*	Miss Cynthia Long	RR 1, Box 145, Algona, Iowa, U.S.A.

458	William Turney	1306 Cottonwood Crescent, North Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.
460	Mrs J.R.Bridgewater	8229 Chesterfield Drive, 7 Knoxville 19, Tenn., U.S.A.
461*	Irving Radnor	Fast Park Home, 1092 Maryhill Rd, Glasgow, N.W., Scotland.
462	Denis Lewis	16 The Slieve, Handsworth Wood, Birmingham 20. F.S.B.

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We hope you have enjoyed reading this Fifth Anniversary number. I have a pile of letters still unanswered but the passing away of my mother and the work involved in attending to her business has unfortunately given me little time for correspondence. I trust those of you to whom I owe a letter will bear with me.

> Sincerely yours, WILF NODDER.

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PHILATELIC TERMS ILLUSTRATED

Here are the answers to the illustrations: -

- a.
 - top left -- A Catalogue b. top right -- Dandy roll
- c. bottom left -- Re-entry
- d. bottom right -- Rocket Post

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ADVERTISEMENTS

For the benefit of members who wish to include advertisements, additional to the free one allowed each member annually in the Journal, the following information is given: -

For the occasional advertisement 1s. per line

For the regular advertisement (i.e. each issue of the Journal and which need not be Please forward copy of your advertisement, free or otherwise, so that it reaches me by the 18th of the month prior to the issue of each number.

- 1. Member 354 L. DEWHURST, 125 Whitegate Drive, Blackpool, Lancs, England. Collects all Scout badges and crests. Will swop N.W. Lancs. County badges in bulk (up to six) for all others. Please enclose S. A. E., Commonwealth or International Reply Coupon.
- 2. Member 81 JOHN J. JUHASZ, P.O. Box 412, Bound Brook, New Jersey, U.S.A., would like to exchange U.S. Commemoration F.D. Covers for any Scout item such as stamps, covers, badges, pennants, neckerchiefs, woggles or what have you.
- 3. Member 347 MISS A.C. HAMMERSLEY, Quadrant Cottage, Rear the Quadrant, Buxton, Derbyshire, wishes to correspond with members abroad and to exchange stamps, matchbox labels and postcards.
- 4. CAN I HELP YOU? CAN YOU HELP ME? As many members may know I am connected with the Insurance "Industry". I am in a position to arrange all private insurances household, motor, life, travel, etc. at most competitive rates. In addition I can offer all Scout Group insurances, e.g. Group property, and cover on camping equipment, including to, at and from camp in U.K. & abroad. Also insurance of stamp collections arranged. Any enquiries greatly appreciated. H.L.FEARS, 11 Salisbury Road,
- 5. SCOUT STAMP PRICE LIST. Over 180 different items are listed and priced in this latest edition. Should be seen by all serious Scout stamp collectors. Sent free en receipt of a S.A.E. We also welcome enquiries and "Wants" lists HEALEY & WISE, LTD, 14 Wormwood Street, London, E.C.2.
- 6. MR. R.G. AUCKLAND, 60 High Street, Sandridge, St. Albans is a collector of "Aerial Propaganda Leaflets" and would be pleased to hear from any member with any of these items for disposal.
- 7. 20th Chiswick Scout Group, 30th Anniversary, St. Georges Day 1962. A special cachet is to be issued to commemorate this event. Covers posted 23rd April 10d. each. Please apply to PETER DUCK, (Member 212), 84 Chiswick Lane, London, W. 4.

8. WILLIAM ANDERSON of 3803 Almeda Drive, Toledo 12, Ohio, U.S.A. can supply all new issues, mint and on cover as well as many of the older Scout stamp issues. Write him, stating your "wants".

Advertisement received too late for inclusion in January Journal: - JOHN E. HOBBS, 16 Blandford Avenue, Whitton, Middlesex, has for exchange: -

- a. 1957 Jubilee Jamboree F.D.C. signed by the Chief Scout, Lord Rowallan.
- b. 1853 Cape of Good Hope triangular 1d. Only the two accepted will be advised.

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WHO'S WHO. (Continued)

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20 Lytherton Avenue Cadishead
Manchester

APPROVAL SERVICE Apply to - D. Start, Esq.

34 Woodriffe Road London, E.11

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By addressing your enquiries or correspondence to the person concerned you will ease the work of others and ensure a prompt reply. Many thanks.

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