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Editor: Wilf Nodder

As these notes are being written, it is snowing outside and I feel a little envious of those who are on their way to take part in the Australian World Rover Moot. I am certain they will receive as warm a welcome from their brother Rovers as the Australian sun will undoubtedly be.

It is perhaps rather difficult for those who have never experienced an old-fashioned snowy Christmas as seen on Christmas cards, to imagine what it is like, but the true spirit of this festive season can still prevail whether one is sweltering under the heat of a tropical sun or trying to keep oneself warm in front of a blazing fire. How much better this world would be if all peoples had the Christmas spirit — the spirit of goodwill toward one another; the Scouting spirit, where all men, irrespective of colour or creed, are brothers. Maybe, one day, it will come.

We, the officers of the S.S.C.C. would like to send a personal New Year greeting to all members -- May YOU have the best of everything throughout the coming year.

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S.S.C.C. "CONVENTION" - A VERY SPECIAL NOTICE

By Howard L. Fears

Following the recent suggestion of Stanley Blunt, I have been making enquiries regarding a "CONVENTION" to mark the Club's fifth birthday, with the hope that it may hereafter become an annual event. The detailed arrangements are as follows:-

PLACE: Baden-Powell House.

DATE: February 10th, 1962 (a Saturday).

The actual highlights will be the Annual General Meeting, starting at 2.30 p.m., followed by a display, chat, "swopping", etc. However, members may wish to make a week-end of it, and more elaborate plans are available for those interested. If anyone likes to arrive during the morning of Feb. 10th. I will try and arrange a visit to places of interest in London. Similarly, it may be the wish of members to stay over night at B-P House (Feb. 10/11th), and, if desired, we will endeavour to secure seats at a Show.

Firstly, if you intend attending the afternoon sessions, please write and tell me at once. Secondly, if

you reserve it, you may have accommodation at B-P House - this you must do yourself, but you must let the Warden know at once. Incidentally, all meals may be secured at the first-class Restaurant; lunch from I - 2 p.m., Evening Meal 6 - 7 p.m. For those intending to stay, you may wish to bring your wife, or even some Scouts. This may be arranged; for example, Scouters are accommodated in 3 or 4 bedded rooms at a cost of 14/- per night bed and breakfast. For Scouters with wives, twin bedded rooms are available.

However, I repeat, you must book at once, for accommodation write to the Warden, Mr W. J. Rapley, at Baden-Powell House, Queen's Gate, South Kensington, London, S. W. 7, mentioning that you are a member of S. S. C. C. Whether you will be staying on, or not, let me know without delay if you are attending in the afternoon. Friends may be brought, all are welcome, and it is up to members to make this a first-class affair. Please - oh, please, make the effort. And why not bring along a potential recruit? Committee members, please note that a Committee meeting will be held as available - no other notice, and we will fix it in as occasion offers. Finally, if you have a query, write and ask me.

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STAMPING GROUND By CROSS-RHODES

AND there are a few things to be cross about, too!

For example, why, oh why does a country like Haiti overprint no less than three Air mail stamps to commemorate an event in Lisbon, Portugal? It is objectionable that our Movement should be 'used' for an undisguised mercenary motive. (There are many more, Mr President, who think like you, for it isn't the first time it has happened. Unfortunately, boycotting such an issue doesn't help.

Again, the appearance of yet more 'miniature sheets' produces a similar reaction -- Korea (Guide), Afghanistan (Guide) and YES, YOU'RE RIGHT -- Haiti!!

On to more pleasant things. From an old and valued friend -- a fine registered cover from Liechtenstein; "LAGERPOST GUSCHA-BALZERS" last day, 31.7.61.

Two new cancellations from Austria -- (a) 50 JAHRE IN DIENSTE DER GUTEN TAT. OSTERR. PFADFINDERBUND 1912-1962, dated 1.10.61 and (b) "I. EUROPAISCHES JUNGPHILATELISTEN-LAGER, TRAUTENFELS" dated 3.8.61. Although there is a fleur-de-lys incorporated in the central design, consisting of a large 'E', made up of a mixture of national flags, the connection with Scouting seems rather remote and unlikely. Has anyone details, please?

And finally. A few years ago - 1957 - when our Society was comparatively small, it was suggested that a "club packet" circuit would be a good thing. Members were duly circulated for potential support but the response was insufficient, and that was that! However, since then the Society has grown and the idea has been mooted again. Committee member, John Hobbs, has kindly volunteered to handle the whole thing should there now be enough interest. If you would like to be in on this, either as a contributor or on the receiving end, or both, then drop a line to John right away and we'll see how it works out.

(Although our President does not mention it, I think the above would only apply to those residing in the United Kingdom, at least for <u>receiving</u> the packet. High insurance premiums and customs duties would prevent packets being circulated abroad. Contributors from anywhere in the world would, I am sure, be most acceptable. Editor)

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MEMBERS WANTS

- No. 433 Has an unusual hobby, that of collecting News-paper Titles, as well as stamps of all countries.
- No. 435 Would like to hear from other members interested in Aircraft spotting.
- No. 436 Is a collector of County, District, and special Jamboree badges.



I have received quite a number of letters from members dealing with a variety of subjects which I feel will interest you. Here they are -

An interesting letter from John Hobbs (Member 38) who gives us some information relative to Stanley Hunter's article, "Sources Of Scout Stamp Design" which you were able to read in our Nov. Journal. The names in the Scouts portrayed on the Trinidad and Tobago 2nd. Caribbean Jamboree set of stamps are, reading from

left to right - Howell Johnson, 4th. Trinidad Sea Scouts; Robert Huggins-Chan, 1st. Trinidad Sea Scouts; Donald Joseph, 6th. Port-of-Spain Group; Brian de-la Roas, 5th. Port-of-Spain Group. The design was taken from a coloured picture of these Scouts, Negro, Chinese, Indian and European, showing the various nationalities among the Trinidad Scouts and, at the same time, signifying the motto of the Jamboree - UNITY.

He also very kindly sent a copy of a publication he purchased in Switzerland - "PFADFINDER BRIEFMARKEN SAMMLER", by Norbet Thiele, Price Pcs. 4., - for me to look at and comment upon. These details should be added to Stanley's article "SCOUT STAMP BIBLIOGRAPHY II" which was published in the September Journal. It is an excellent, well printed and detailed booklet, on glossy paper and in German and includes illustrations, details of numbers printed and date of issue

of all Scout and Guide stamps, including miniature sheets, which have appeared up to and including 1958. A great deal of useful information even if one cannot read German! One thing I did notice - No numbers have been given for the two Syrian Pan Arab Jamboree of 1958. I have yet to see this information in any publication. Thanks a lot John, for the information and loan of the book.

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A letter from our member E. Edmonson of Toronto, Canada, who mentions among other things that he would like to learn how other members mount or display their covers, cachets and souvenir cards, which, if mounted in blocks or groups, make such an unattractive display. Perhaps some of you might like to help him; if so, may I suggest you drop me a line telling me how you mount yours, what you use to mount them and anything else you think might be of use to him. I know he would appreciate it.

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Here is another aspect of stamps and Scouting that I have not heard of before. In a letter, Mr R. Allen (Member 320) writes that he is trying to complete his collection of "Scout Patrols on Stamps" and enlists other members help. His requirement is as follows: - The name of country, face value of stamp, date of issue and general description, (with, I suggest the catalogue number, quoting which one used), on which is depicted any of the birds or animals (i.e. the Patrol emblem) in the list below:

Bittern, Blackbird, Bulldog, Chough, Corncrake, Gannet, Gargeny, Golden Plover, Hawk, Hyena, Kestrel, Merlin, Mongoose, Nightjar, Pochard, Snipe, Starling, Stoneshat, Stormy Petrel, Widgeon, Woodcock, Rattlesnake and finally, Sir Francis Drake.

His only stipulation is that they must be visibly to the naked eye and not be so minute that a magnifying glass is required. He also tells me that he is putting this collection, with some Scout covers, on show next March at the Central Lambeth District Association's Annual Hobbies and Handicrafts Exhibition. I hope some of you will be able to help him. We wish him luck in his venture.

From my good friend Francisco Marcias Valadez (Member 59) of Mexico, copies of the October and November issue of (Revista Scout de las Americas) in which I notice he has contributed his usual article on Scout stamps and cancellations and has included some information about the S. S. C. C. We appreciate his kindness in helping us in The R.S.A. is certainly an excellent publicathis way. tion, printed on fine glossy paper and has many good reproductions of Scouting photographs of the Americas. although it is in Mexican, this does not prevent those who are unfortunately poor linguists from following his articles. I notice that several of the reproductions of the Scout cancellations have been taken from the illustrations which I drew and included in former issues of our Journal. much better they look when properly printed on glossy paper! Very many thanks, Francisco, for sending the magazines to me.

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Enclosed with the Journal should be an illustrated folder which includes a map of Sweden. This should prove useful to those who collect Swedish Camp cancellations to tie up with the actual locations of these camps. It has been sent with the compliments of the President who, in his letter to me, says that he has available about 20 of each similar brochures of Austria and of Finland. Those of you who are interested in obtaining copies of these should write him enclosing 3d stamp for postage. Naturally, first come, first served!

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Have any of you - and this applies, of course, to members - thought about entering for STAMPEX 1962 Trophy competition? There is a class for thematic collections. Only selected pages from one collection may be submitted by a Society, thus, if several S.S.C.C. members wish to enter, it will be necessary to select the best individual entry. May I suggest that those of you who are interested drop our Secretary-General a line, but please do so as soon as possible.

A letter from Llong Chee Keng (Junior Member 222) with which he sent me a sample of a cover used at the Penang Golden Jubilee Jamborette hold at Jubilee Camp, Telok Bahang, Penang, Malaya, from 6th to 11th December. Over 400 Scouts from ten states attended and a special cancellation - the Penang M mark (Mobile Post Office) and cachet were used. The description of the cachet is as follows: - A thick lined diamond shaped cachet with PENANG JAMBORETTE at top JUBILEE Camp at bottom, map of Malaya with Scout badge superimposed and 'Dec' on left and '1961' on right of map. In black.

He has a very small supply available but there is no guarantee that it will last for long! Covers of the Jubilee Champoree (uncacheted) referred to in the November Journal are now selling for \$2 - \$3 U.S. Keng considers that as there have already been two special camp cachets in Malaya it is likely that further ones will appear at future camps.

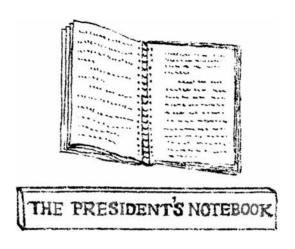
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MEMBERS WANTS

No. 422 Collects Foreign badges and Patches. County badges and Pennants. Neckerchiefs and woggles. Will be pleased to send Malayan State badges in exchange.

He would also be pleased to correspond with Scouts who are interested in Scouting, badges, stamps and view cards. All letters welcomed and answered via air mail.

- No. 437 Has held many ranks in the Guide Movement and is an interested collector of Guide and Scout County badges.
- No. 439 An American member at present serving in Germany collects Boy Scout miniatures and Foreign Scout badges of Rank.



THE OUTLOOK

by the President

Since the publication, last January, of the Club Catalogue, the past year has shown once again, an all-round hardening of the market in the material we all seek so avidly. Mafeking Siege items in the more prominent Auction Catalogues have been fetching realisations that can only be described as staggering. Siam and Czecho-slovakia are still high - even if you can find them at ALL! If you want the biggest shock of the year, go out and get a set of 1953 Liechtenstein - you will find that it's "new issue price" has multiplied itself by SIX!

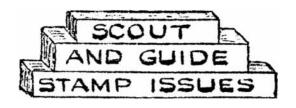
It seems to me that the situation can be reviewed with somewhat mixed feelings. On the one hand, we have that inward glow of satisfaction at the financial appreciation of our collections - only to be horrified by the colossal prices we have to pay for new acquisitions.

The upward trend marches relentlessly on - and those "in the trade" know it. Our course is plain - the neverending search must be equally relentless - that elusive item <u>must</u> be found - and found quickly - time is our enemy!

Now let us turn our attention to another aspect. The increasing difficulty of obtaining USED sets looms ominously over the horizon. Why is it that mint sets are far and away easier to find? The following thoughts come to mind:-

- (1) Can it be that our dealing friends are getting no demand for "C.T.O." by their "new issue service" customers? Has there been a decline somewhere?
- (2) Maybe used are a more hazardous investment than mint, that enjoy the protection of their face value.
- (3) Perhaps the increasing interest in those beautiful highly-coloured F.D.C.s is the real cause of the problem. Let's ask ourselves if we had to choose between an attractive "serviced" F.D.C. or a plain, but genuinely commercially used cover which would we pick a referendum on the subject might produce an interesting result.
- (4) It must be borne in mind that LOW values do not leave their Country of origin in large numbers UNLESS they are deliberately imported by the dealers. You don't believe it? The writer confidently states that of our 300 odd members, those that have a used copy of 1949 Nicaragua 5 cent blue can be counted on one hand yet it can be bought mint even now quite easily for less than a bob!
- (5) A look through our carefully prepared catalogue shows that a large percentage of our stamps can be classified as "Charity" stamps 25 ¢ postage + 5 ¢ sort of thing 1932 Roumania, 1957 Neth. Antilles, 1960 Denmark (Guide) and the recent Haiti set are random examples. The collectors and the general public are invariably sympathetic to this method of raising funds, but let's face it, commerical firms rarely touch 'em business is business consequently the stamps just don't turn up in "Bank" Mixtures.

It may well be that in time to come, the degree of rarity will supersede the "face value" and other considerations, and genuine used will dominate the scene. Talking point, Gentlemen?



By the Editor

Details of new Scout and Guide stamps which have recently been issued are given hereunder. These will be included in the S.S.C.C. Catalogue when the next edition is published.

AFGHANISTAN. Two stamps, 50 P, red and black, and 175 P, green and purple, both similar in design depicting a Girl Scout. Stamps bear Afghanistani characters at top and left with '1961' and 'SCOUT' on right and POSTFSAFGHANES at bottom. Miniature sheets, unperforated and perforated, each containing both values.

REPUBLIC OF HAITI. Three stamps, current air mail issue, 20c, 1g and 1g50c, overprinted in small black letters "18e CONFERENCE INTERNATIONALE/DU SCOUTISME MONDIAL LISBONNE/SEPTEMBRE 1961" in three lines, with Haiti Scout badge to right. Surcharged + 0.25 in black. First day of issue 30.9.61.

REPUBLIC OF TOGA. Six stamps of different design, 0.50F orange showing Daniel Beard U.S.A. with American Scout badge in green on right; 1F, purple, Baden Powell with Scout badge, in red; 10F, dark grey, Togo Scout (?) with the three Scout Association emblems; 25F, blue and Togo Scout with National flag at top and Scout badge left centre; 30F, green, white and brown triangle symbolising three tents and a camp fire in centre, Scout badge in red at top left; 100F, red, three hands, making Scout salute, probably symbolising the black, yellow and white races, Scout badge in green on right.

THAILAND. Three stamps to commemorate 50 years of Scouting in Thailand: 50 St. red, showing "Wild Tiger" Scout badge on left and hand making Scout salute on right with Siamese characters superimposed; 1B, green, Scout with flag, on left, and Scout saluting, on right, with camp scene in centre; 2B, King Vijiravudh (?) on left, with Cub, Guide and Scout marching, on right. First day of issue 1.11.61.

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I understand that registered covers from the 18th Scout International Conference held at Lisbon, with the full set of Portuguese "Europa" stamps affixed, are very scarce items. Verb sap.

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by Stanley K. Hunter, Member 51
Supplement to Part I (Periodical Literature)

LINN'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS (U.S.A)
Scout and Guide "special editions" appeared in the following issues: 25th May 1953, 27th June 1955, 29th June 1959, and 27th June 1960.

THE SCOUT (Boy Scouts Association)
Scout issue, dealing with Roumania, Russia,
Hungary, Netherlands, Dutch Indies and Lithuania,
appeared (p. 282), 22nd Jan. 1942.

THE SCOUTER (Boy Scouts Association)
An article, "Scout & Guide Stamps" by D.C. Vosper,
appeared in the September 1949 issue. Correspondence on this article appeared in the November issue (pp. 220-221).

THE SCOUT PHILATELIC GAZETTE This monthly was published in Canada, from about 1955 to 1959. A Scout Stamp Catalogue was also produced, annually, by the publisher. As mentioned

in my original notice of this paper, I would be

grateful to be able to see this Gazette and the Catalogue.

(Acknowledgments to Brian Lamb (Member 365) Rostislav Polchaninoff (Member 166) and Frederick J. Oppliger (Member 160) for details.

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<u>SALES BUREAU</u> by Charles Seaton

May I wish each of you "A Happy and Prosperous New Year" and perhaps, in a nostalgic mood, to my Scottish compatriots -- "A Guid He'erday" with the hope that the shortbread, "Petticoat Tails" and the "Black Bun" tasted as good at Hogmanay as I remember it many years ago. It has been a pleasure to deal with enquiries and orders since I took over from John Wilson, who left me everything in such good order. In 1962 I hope to receive many orders and I will do my best to let you have delivery as soon as possible.

Here is a list of items in stock at present:

1957 ... July, August, October, December.

1958 ... March, September.

1959 ... January, March, May, July, September.

1960 ... March, May, July, September, November.

1961 ... March, May, July, September.

Price .. 1 shilling each: no postage charge is added.

Covers

G.G. of Australia. Golden Jubilee Jamboree, 29.12.60	1	sh.
2nd. Caribbean Jamboree, 4.4.61	3	sh. 4d.
Sank-Georg, 22.4.61	1	sh. 6d.
1960 Conference of European Scouts, German (Card)		
1 only	2	sh. 2d.
Irish Girl Guide Jubilee (Card) 1 only	1	sh. 4d.
Gilwell Reunion, Set of 5 covers, Aug. 29th - Aug. 2nd	5	sh.
Gilwell Reunion, Singles		10d.
B.P. Guild Cover		9d.
2nd. Whitton Scout Group Silver Jubilee (Only		
obtainable through Sales Bureau)	1	sh.

Mint stamps

Boy Scouts of America, block 4, 3 cent sepia 2 sh. 6d. Sundries

Please address correspondence for any of these items to:

20 Lytherton Avenue, Cadishead, Manchester, Lancs.

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By le Presidente

Well, gentlemen, once again the auction has come to a successful conclusion. All 40 lots have been sent to the highest bidders and fetched a total of £9. 18. 3. The highest lot realised 21/6 and the lowest 1/6. Actually, one bidder stuck his neck out by bidding 2/- on EVERY lot - the one that went for 1/6 was owing to an oversight on my part, and the gent who got that can consider himself lucky. I will be sending a cheque to our worthy Secretary just as soon as all the money is in. You may be surprised to note that only 12 people sent in bids, of which two were unsuccessful, so the whole works went to 10 people. Let's hope the competition is a bit livelier next time.

May I at this point, on behalf of the Society, thank each and every one who contributed to it so generously.

Some contributions arrived too late to be included, and will be held over until the next time - they'll be worth more by then, I shouldn't wonder!

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SCOUT STAMP BIBLIOGRAPHY - V

By Stanley K. Hunter, Member 51
Supplement to Part II (Catalogues, etc.)

BOY SCOUT CACHETS OF THE UNITED STATES, 1956
By Sheldon S. Levy. 56pp. Illus. US \$2.

This book illustrates about 200 Scout "cacheted covers", issued in the United States from 1930 to 1956. Of special interest are the illustrations of practically all known cachets used for the First Day Covers of the American 1950 Scout Stamp.

A numbering system makes each cachet design readily identifiable for correspondence, wants-lists, etc.

BOY SCOUT CACHETS - SUPPLEMENT No. 1, 1958

By Sheldon S. Levy & Frank L. Jones. 7 pp. US 35¢.

This duplicated addition to the above was produced to include the 1957 Jubilee Year. The Author of "Boy Scout Cachets" tells me, however, that the deluge of cachets which has appeared since 1957, has forced the discontinuation of any further supplements.

(Acknowledgment to Sheldon S. Levy (Member 68) for details).

Should you know of any further omissions or possible additions to this Bibliography, please contact me. My address is - 34 Gray Street, Kelvingrove, GLASGOW, C.3, Scotland.

NEW MEMBERS

Here is another list of new members to whom we extend a very hearty welcome.

(*Indicates Junior member)

415*	Gregory Smith	c/o A.C.Smith. No. 6 R.D. Te Puke Bay of Plenty. New Zealand.
416	Stanley H. Lea	1 Rosedale Crescent, Earley, Reading, Berks.
417	Mrs M. E. Kennett	8 Barclay Road, Croydon, Surrey.
418	Norman Booth	18 John Street, Wombwell, Nr Barnsley, Yorks.
419	Mrs M. L. Pegler	64 Magdalen Road, North End, Portsmouth, Hants.
420	C. P. Tong	15 Southcote Farm Lane, Reading, Berks.
421*	David Griffith	6 Russell Street, Nelson, New Zealand.
422*	N.P. Waran	2 Railway Quarters, Batu Gajah, Perak, Malaya.
423	Henrik Wirzenius	Spireavagen 10, Haga, Finland.
424	H. E. Steffensen	Strandvejen 354, Espergaerde, Denmark.
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427	Miss J. Quinney	51 Heathfield South, Twickenham, Middx.
428	Miss N. C. Denny	Queen Margaret's School, Box 98. Duncan, B.C. Canada.
429*	Brian Sleeman	6 Derwent Road, Whitton, Middx.

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430*	John Pickett	27 Derwent Road, Whitton, Middx.
431*	Norman Thiel	306 W. Sixth Street, Derry. Penna. U.S.A.
432*	Kevin M. Huggett	75 Redfern Avenue, Hounslow, Middx.
433*	Ian T.T.Wilkins	63 Mill Farm Crescent, Hounslow, Middx.
434*	Michael Guess	37 Strathearn Avenue, Whitton, Middx.
435*	Martin G. Cain	30 Montrose Avenue, Whitton, Middx.
436*	David John Jones	31 Underhill Road, Matson, Gloucester.
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438*	Lauren R. Bradley	P.O. Box 607, North Adams, Mass. U.S.A.

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To celebrate the FIFTH ANNIVERSARY of the formation of the S.S.C.C. and to give members a permanent record of such an occasion, we are preparing a special number of the Journal for March. Some interesting articles from some of our members have already been provided, but I could do with a few more. Why not send me something for inclusion in this special edition of our Journal? I'm sure many of you can - and I hope will do so.

Sincerely Yours, WILF NODDER

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ADVERTISEMENTS

1. 31	d Canadian	Jamboree Items			
	Crests (Patches)		50¢	each
	Stove pla	ates		40¢	each
	Pennants			\$1	each
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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. MARCH 1962

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FIFTH ANNIVERSARY ISSUE

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.

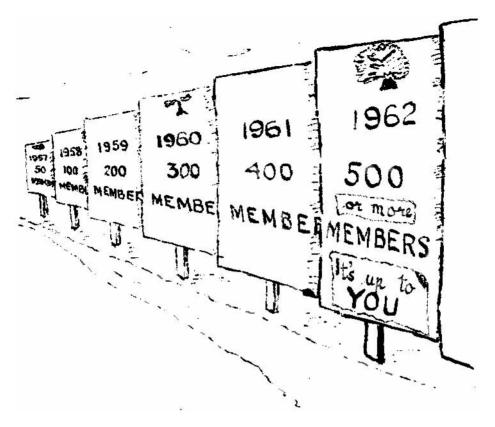
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MEMBERS WANTS

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	1s.	6d.
Gilwell Reunion (singles)	/	10d.
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.	Od.
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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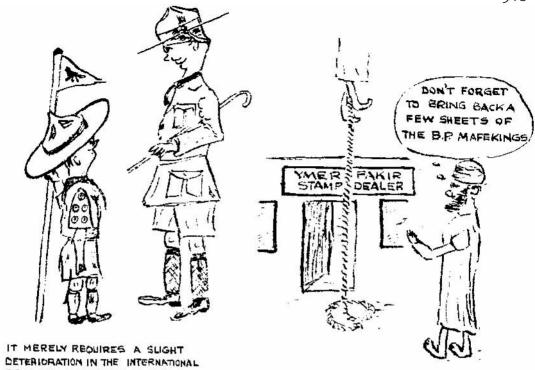
From Portugal I have received notice that the Philatelic Section of the Portuguese "B-P Guild" of former Scouts and Guides are holding their second Philatelic Exhibition of "Scouts on Stamps" at Lisbon in April. On behalf of the Club I have sent a message of fraternal greetings.

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.

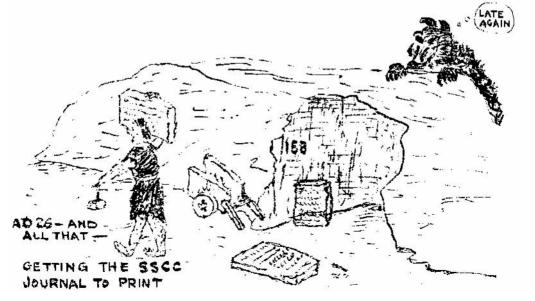
I must mention the very noble work in spreading news of the Club being carried out in Africa by member Malcolm DONALDSON. The

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





DETERIORATION IN THE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION, FORTESCUE MANCE, 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

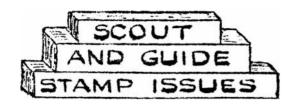
D. HANDSTAMPS FOR OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS

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 21/2d 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.

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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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and MINT STAMPS

Apply to Secretary General

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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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Editor: Wilf Nodder



From the philatelic press, it would appear that we can expect a considerable number of Scout and Guide issues during 1962.

This is not unexpected - for two reasons - One, because several countries will be celebrating their half century in the Movement and two, because, unfortunately, postal authorities realise that there is money to be made from the issue of Scout and Guide stamps.

I am sure collectors do not object to the first reason, but the issue of stamps by one country to celebrate a Scout or

Guide event in another is to be deplored, as is the issue of perforated <u>and</u> imperforate stamps, miniature sheets and the like.

It is in connection with this that I am including three letters I have received. Each member can draw his or her own conclusions. How to prevent such issues is an entirely different matter: it can be done by every collector refusing to purchase them, something which I fear will never happen. The fact that catalogue editors omit them from their lists has, unfortunately, little weight; the average stamp collector naturally wants to have in his or her collection items which other collectors do not possess and postal authorities throughout the world are aware of this.

Maybe you do not agree with what has been said in the letters which follow. If not, why not write and tell me your reasons?

RECENT ISSUES

By le Presidente

It appears that there is some cause for alarm arising from recent issues of Scout and Guide material. I refer to a sudden spate of "Miniature Sheets", produced deliberately for purely mercenary reasons and, as often as not, offered at highly inflated prices to the long suffering philatelic public.

Make no mistake, this is by no means new so far as Scouting is concerned. Perhaps the following list, showing the approximate retail prices will refresh your memory:-

<u>Date</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Set</u>	<u>Sheet(s)</u>
1956	Egypt	(3) 3/-	(2) £15
1957	Nicaragua	(15) 10/-	(2) £1
11	Dominican Republic	(10) 10/-	(4) £ 15
"	South Korea	(2) 2/6	(1) £15
1958	Philippines (Jamb.)	(7) £1	(1) £1

These, I suppose, can be regarded as "isolated" cases and, although protest occurred at the time (particularly Egypt, owing to the "condition of sale"), they have fortunately receded into the past - Time, the great healer and all that. But now take a look at the recent masterpieces - ALL since August 1961!!!

<u>Date</u>	Country	<u>Set</u>	<pre>Sheet(s)</pre>
1961	South Korea	(1) 6d.	(1) 8/6
11	Haiti	(3) 8/6	(1) £9!!!
1962	Afghanistan	(2) 5/6	(2) 17/6
**	Togo	(6) 8/6	(4) 32/6
**	Liberia	(3) 5/6	(1) 8/-
"	" (IMPERF.)	(3)42/-	(1) 82/6
"	Paraguay	(10)30/-	(1) £5

As if 5 in five years is not enough, we are now confronted with 7 in as many months! Note that these are, without exception, small countries who resort to this kind of thing to augment their national income. I put it to you, gentlemen, to consider the desirability of the Movement being used for this purpose, and what effect the continuation thereof may at length have upon the good name of our World Wide Youth Organisation. It may be argued that one is under no obligation to buy this material, but nevertheless do not lose sight of the possibility that the very EXISTENCE of it may be enough to do the damage.

Haiti and Colombia have announced forthcoming issues; what if Liechtenstein, Monaco and a host of others

Suffice to say that the gravity of the situation has already been reported to International Dept., Headquarters for onward transmission to the International Bureau in Ottawa in hope that, in due course, some influence may be exerted to discourage this unhappy state of affairs.

To The Editor of the S.S.C.C. Journal.

Sir,

From the Swedish Stamp Journal (SFT) I have taken the following notice:-

"Paraguay has 'paid Homage' to the Scout Movement with 8 stamps - along with variations - in the values of 10, 20, 25, 30 and 50c. together with air mail stamps 12, 50, 36 and 50g. The stamps have been issued not only perforated and imperforated, but also as perforated and imperforated miniature sheets. As one series has the nominal value of almost 100g, collectors will have to pay 400g for a complete issue. It would be the day's 'good turn' if collectors of Scout stamps would give up obtaining these stamps."

I myself want to support this suggestion and do hope that these stamps will not be on the Permanent List. Of course we collect Scout stamps, but that really does not mean that we have to accept all attacks from the Postmasters General on our purses. The only way to stop such speculations is refuse to buy such stamps.

Sincerely yours,

Claus Ohrt (Member No. 15)

SCOUT PHILATELY

The world of Scout Philately is being flooded with issues of postage stamps honouring Scouting. We believe this is good. We like to see stamps depicting Scouting in circulation and giving needed publication to our Movement. However, we believe that the

Scout philatelist should require certain standards of quality and price range.

There are many nations issuing too many Scout stamps at too high prices. We have never approved of souvenir sheets. We see no philatelic value in them in spite of their attractiveness. We like to think of stamp collecting as an enjoyable hobby. When it comes to saving peculiar combinations and sheets for monetary reasons then it is no longer a hobby. However, this is one opinion and there are many others.

We do believe, however, that some souvenir sheets are too expensive. How many <u>Scouts</u> can afford to buy them? Some sets are too expensive. Again, how many Scouts can afford them? Then there are the issues in "limited" quantities and the Scout overprints on overstocked and insignificant issues.

Let's demand quality. Let's demand fairly priced value. You say we can't demand? See how many Scout stamps would be issued if collectors didn't buy!

Above all, we have always believed that Scout stamp collections should be for Scouts too. This should be a guide in issuing them.

Jim Sanzare. Editor
The International Panther.

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<u>IMPORTANT NOTICE</u>, No. 1 - <u>BOOSTING THE S. S. C. C</u>.

As a follow up to the wish expressed by our Vice President in his message to us all last March - that each member would try to introduce at least one more person to the Club - you will find enclosed with this Journal a membership form and special complimentary envelope. Would you, when writing to a fellow stamp collector or to someone whom you think may be interested in joining the S.S.C.C., kindly enclose with your letter, the form, using the special envelope to send them in.

IMPORTANT NOTICE, No. 2 - S. S. C. C. MEETING

Make it a date! Society Meeting at Roland House, Stepney Green at 2.30 p.m. on Saturday June 23rd. Yet another opportunity

for a good natter and a spot of "trading". <u>All</u> members of the Club are cordially invited to attend. So let us have a good turn-out and make it a real "swingin'" session.

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By the Editor

It certainly seems that competitions are unpopular with Junior members, for I only received two entries from those living in the United Kingdom. These were from: - H.C. Symonds (239) and A. Baxter (334). Unfortunately neither were completely correct, the former omitted Poland from the countries which have issued Scout stamps but no longer do so because they are under communistic rule, and the latter forgot to add Belgium to the list of stamps bearing the portrait of B.P. Incidentally, neither included Greece under the countries which issued a stamp showing St. George and the dragon!

Well, I did say the first correct solution opened on April 21st. would win the prize; as neither was correct, I had to make a decision. I have therefore sent on the book to H. Symonds whose entry I considered was the better because he gave his answers in greater detail, but for submitting a jolly good "second", I have sent A. Baxter a consolation prize. Thank you both for "having a go" and I hope you enjoyed doing the competition and will find your prize useful.

Perhaps we shall have more entries from abroad. Anyway, the result of the second "leg" of the competition will be published in the July Journal. Until then, good stamp collecting to you all.

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CENTRAL AFRICAN JAMBOREE, 1959, RUWA PARK, SALISBURY, SOUTHERN RHODESIA

Contributed by Jack Wishart (Member 306)

This Jamboree, the first held in Central Africa, took place at Ruwa Park, near Salisbury, and was held during the period 4th to 11th May 1959.

Ruwa Park is twelve miles from the centre of Salisbury and over 150 acres in extent, being the Camping and Training Head-quarters of the Mashonaland Province of Southern Rhodesia.

The four sub-camps into which the Jamboree was divided were named after places of historical and topical interest in the Federation, these being Victoria Falls, Matopos (Hills), Zimbabwe (Ruins) and Kariba (Dam), while the Headquarters Camp was named Birney after the first Commissioner in the Colony.

A feature of the local scene which can be reached by a short hike is the "Balancing Rocks" caused by the erosion of the rock formation by the elements over thousands of years leaving the harder rocks behind, and this rock formation was taken as the Jamboree emblem and appeared upon the Jamboree Badge.

The Jamboree Post Office was in the charge of a Salisbury Scouter seconded to the post for the period of the Jamboree by the G.P.O., and comprised a rough wooden building approximately 10 feet by 4 feet by 8 feet high. Adjoining this was the Scout Shop, a building of similar size and construction.

The shell of the Post Office building was constructed from rough timber from the gum trees in the Park and the roof was of corrugated iron, the front of the building having a hinged portion which lowered inwards to form a working counter.

All normal P.O. business was transacted, i.e. Postal Orders, Money Orders, Savings Bank, telegrams and stamps and a special handstamp postmark was in use for the period of the Jamboree.

(This was illustrated in the November 1959 Journal, Vol. 3, No. 6. Editor.)

Two telephones were installed, one direct to the "Phonogram" section at Salisbury G.P.O., and the other connected to a central exchange on the Camp and manned day and night.

Security was very strict, especially around the P.O. and this was provided by Askaris (Native Troops) together with the Special Camp Police who performed many other duties.

Mail despatches from the Camp were organised by the Jamboree Transport Section and were usually effected twice daily from Ruwa to the Salisbury G.P.O.

The staff employed in the Post Office were the Scouter-Post-master plus an African Messenger for the delivery of telegrams etc.

As the sub-camps spread over about 8 square miles, a bicycle (the only one allowed on the camp) was used for the delivery of the telegrams.

No information is available regarding the number of handstamps used or the period each was employed and I have been unable to obtain any statistics on the various types of business transacted.

The above has been collected from material supplied to me by John Bell, the Scouter in charge of the Jamboree P.O. and we are greatly indebted to him for it.

(As far as I know, only one type of handstamp was used - the double circle type - for cancelling mail. Knowing something about Rhodesian postal history, I was very surprised that the postal authorities prepared this type of handstamp for such an event: the normal procedure in the past has been for them to provide a temporary handstamp, i.e. a single circle "skeleton", with loose type, for special events of this nature. Thanks a lot, Jack, for passing on the above information. Editor.)



By Howard L. Fears

The variety of topics about which members write to me each month is very vast. Could I mention a few of them:-

50th Anniversary Celebrations of V.V.K.S.
in Belgium. Yes, I shall be there, perhaps by the time you receive this Journal. I will endeavour to secure covers etc. for everyone who has asked me, plus pennants, badges, brooches - anything I think you will like. I shall probably look like a travelling

commercial traveller by the time I get back - no offence meant to commercial traveller readers, since I mean rather one of the old-style village to village pedlars.

<u>World Jamboree in Greece in 1963</u>. We hope, as a Club, to be there in some capacity or other, and I hope to attend in person.

Advertisements. Strictly speaking, this is Wilf Nodder's province, but I know he will not mind my reference to this topic. We welcome small ads. from members, even to the extent of a free one each year. You do not have to advertise Scout stamps - indeed you may record something like "Fashionable blonde wanted", or "Winkle-picker shoes for sale". At least it will keep the family atmosphere we encourage in the Club. Longer ads. may produce revenue, but not a great deal, and we may tend to look like the housemagazine for certain dealers.

<u>Publicity</u>. Thanks to R. Lambert from Sittingbourne for press cutting from "East Kent Gazette" giving a most useful build-up for the Club. It is surprising how many enquiries come in from such publicity (especially if the article can include a name and address to which readers can write for details). If any members

are able to "copy", please do so.

Pen-Pal. Our very good friend Claude MARCHAL from France has sent me details of a French Scout who would like a pen-friend. He is ALAIN POULESUEN of 35 RUE DES REMPPARTS, BREST, a member of the 10th Brest Association. He is aged 1329 and would like correspondence in English or French or both. And, of course, he is keen on philately. So any young members may write direct, and any other Scouters who have one of their Scouts anxious to take up correspondence of this nature are invited to forge a link-up.

<u>Information about Scout Stamps and Cancels</u>. For the purposes of the Permanent List I like to have details of expected issues, etc. and I am most grateful for any information. But if you wish to record a new "find", or you have a query about earlier items, etc. please write direct to Mr Nodder so that he may record it in the Journal.

One last, but rather special, point. Over the years many members have asked for hints on mounting covers or keeping duplicates. To place them in an album is alright unless there is something on the reverse of the cover which would also be interesting. Following enquiries, therefore, I have been exploring the market for a really good cover binder into which you can slip covers, protected by clear cellophane or plastic. And I think I have now come across a variety, in several sizes, which may do the job exactly, and at a reasonable price. By the time you receive the Journal, I should know, so if you are at all interested, just drop me a line.

 $\underline{P.\,S}$. From America a Permanent List member wrote: - "The cost of your Barbados F.D.C. was less than the price I paid for a mint set - how do you manage it?" Sometimes I wonder myself, but at least you too can benefit from the Cover Service if you want to.

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<u>A FEW WORDS ABOUT ADVERTISEMENTS</u>. <u>Every</u> member is allowed one free advertisement a year, but we do ask for this to be short, concise and to the point. Advertising rates were given in the last Journal, for additional inserts. Here again, we regret that very long advertisements cannot be accepted under any circumstances at the rates quoted.

RUSSIAN BOY SCOUT POST

Contributed by R. Polchaninoff (Member No. 166)

Shortly after the capitulation of Germany "UNRRA" (United Nations Reconstruction and Relief Activity) began to create special camps for D.P. (Displaced Parsons) on territories not covered by German laws.

Near Kassel (U.S. Zone) a whole row of camps was created, as in the town itself, in Moenchehof, Fuerstenwald, Zierenberg and Rotwesten, with nearly 3000 Russians and Ukrainians. All of these camps in spite of distance of 20 km. from each other were governed by the same UNRRA team 505.

In the beginning the German post could not cope with the postal needs due to the war damages. This inspired the local organisation of Russian Boy Scouts to set up its own post for camp needs.

On April 18, 1946, during the Russian Easter, it was decided to issue Easter greetings cards and special stamps. The proof was made by the artist Boris Kirushin (12 pf. portraying church and 24 pf. Easter egg) and these stamps were printed in a small quantity on a mimeograph machine, as the stencils soon spoiled, and on the same day, a second set of stamps was issued with a simpler design - Scout lillies - based on a drawing by Scm. A. Postal rates based on the rates used by German post were established - 12 pf. for a postcard and 24 pf. for a letter. At the same time other camps had fantastic prices on their stamps. The second set included a postage due stamp of 50 pf. to cover mail thrown into postal boxes without stamps. 10 days later the 2nd issue was re-issued and was used until the end of the year, at which time a 12 pf. stamp appeared featuring Ukrainian Hetman Bogdan Khmelnitzky, designed by B. Kirushin and printed at the camp typography.

It was impossible to obtain good paper in the destroyed Kassel. The first set was printed on old blue German forms, the 2nd on rose coloured ones. The stamps printed by typography on old Russian calendars, which were printed on good white paper, watermarked wavy lines falling from left to right. A few were found printed on sheets having watermark running in the opposite direction.

The stamp portraying Bogdan Khmelnitzky, was but the first

of a set designed by B.Kirushin. The cliches portraying Peter the Great, Suvorov, Pushkin and Moscow's Kremlin were held up because of a complaint against the Scout Post. This coincided with the screening of D.P's due to liquidation of UNRRA and transfer to IRO. As a result of screening, many families of Scouts were deprived of D.P. rights and were transferred over to the German economy, i.e. to various camps set up for German refugees. The Scout Post organised contact between these separated members of the organisation.

Camp Moenchehof situated 4 km. from the German village of the same name, where a post office existed. The German postmen delivered letters to the Camp office, and those receiving them had to pick them up there. From February 1949, Scout Post delivered mail from camp post to the houses at an extra fee of 2 pf. per letter and 15 pf. for a package, from the German post office in the village, as the Germans delivered only letters and money but not parcels. Scout Camp P.O. had similar postal rates as the German P.O., i.e. 8 pf. for town post card and 10 pf. for town letter. People used the camp post until the liquidation of the camp in the summer of 1949. In other camps the Scout Post, from the beginning, remained internal in function.

As many Scouts moved across the ocean, Scout Airpost was needed. Stamps of new denomination were needed. Old stocks of stamps were utilized, but as they were already overprinted, they were perforated (set of Jan. 1 1950) and sold at new prices. Imperforate stamps were sold at old prices. On Jan. 25, 1950 air postcards were issued, as well as aerograms, and until they appeared, plain sheets with hand inscription were used franked with imperforated stamps.

Air postcards without inscription were prepared for the Jugoslavian Scout Post, but as the aforementioned order was not picked up, these cards were sold to collectors to defray cost of printing.

The last set printed in Germany was for special Camp Post for the 8th World Jamboree held in Bad Ischl, Austria. Afterwards Scout stamps were issued in New York, where after the departure of D.P's a Centre for their activity was set up. The Scout Post today represents a private, inter-organisation post, which is of interest to philatelists-specialists.

(I am only too pleased to publish the above article which provides us with some useful information. A big "thank you" to our member. Ed.)

A CALL TO ACTION

by Howard L. Fears

I am sure that every member is interested in the growth of the Club and our range of countries from which members come. In the commercial field it is not enough for a business to stand still. To stand still is to stagnate, and once stagnation has started it will require a new injection of life-blood to advance.

What has all this to do with the Club? Well, I can recall the time when the Club looked like standing still because the facilities for progress were too limited, but as the result of an action started at that time, and continued over since, we have been able to let the Club grow. That particular action was the appointment of Stanley Blunt as Membership Secretary, which saved an immense amount of my effort, and produced scope for new drive. Subsequently we have "broadened our base" by the appointment of Mr Wishart as Renewals Secretary and Mr Hobbs in the Publicity Department. In addition, a whole team of helpers has come forward to deal with two other aspects - the distribution of Journals, the Permanent List, Sales Bureau, Approvals etc.

The team in now very strong, but this does not mean that opportunities for active help no longer exist. Let me take a few examples:-

Gilwell Wood Badge Reunion. Although it is only the first weekend in September as far as time is concerned, there is a real need for a volunteer to help in tying-up the ends - e.g. working out all angles of S.S.C.C. participation, displays, notices, details in official programme, rota of helpers, and so on. If a special cancel is available. Gilwell might welcome help in handling requests for covers. So here is need for a volunteer.

International Weekends at Gilwell and Conferences at B-P House. This is a similar task - might even suit the same volunteer. The difference is in the International angle, and this job, like the former, is aimed at presenting information about Scout stamps in general and S.S.C.C. in particular, with a view to creating an interested public and securing new S.S.C.C. members. In September the Second Conference of European Scout Organisations is being held at Hove (I have the question of a cancel under close observation!) and we have been approached on the subject of a display. This is a similar type of opportunity.

Regional Supplements to the Journal. The Club operates in many regions and countries, and whilst it is obviously impossible to cater for every individual, it should not be beyond the realms of possibility to produce an occasional supplement for a particular area. I have in mind a recent suggestion from Canada on this subject, but there are several suitable regions in which we have enough members to justify an effort at least. Anyone interested?

In general, I have found that an active member is a more constant member, and any resignations from individuals usually follow from a period of stagnation. That is why every member is being invited to recruit a new supporter. We all feel the present organisation is strong enough to stand a fair bit of expansion, so let's see the new applications come tumbling in. The latest number I have is 480, so we should reach our 500th enrolment 'ere long. But in 5 years there have been inevitable lapses, and it would be fine if we rise to an active membership of 500. So the call is on - the call to action.

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Our Publicity Secretary, John Hobbs, in a recent letter to me, mentioned that he arranged to have nine covers sent him from the Australian World Rover Moot, posted on the last day of When he rethe camp. teived them, eight bore the handstamp dated JAN 9 and one NVf 9 (i.e. month inverted). He asks if any other member has a cover so stamped. He presumes that after this latter cover had been cancelled. the error was noticed and the date stamp changed before cancelling the remainder.



This seems quite a feasible explanation especially as it is most probable that a member of the postal staff would have cleaned the handstamp before use on that day and could easily - and inadvertently - have re-inserted the month portion of the handstamp upside-down. Conceivable also that being the last day of the Moot, there would be a rush to dismantle the temporary post office. Thanks, John, for sending me this information.

You will remember that our member, E. Edmonson of Toronto, asked in the January Journal how other members mounted their covers, souvenir cards, etc. I have received a short letter from our member C. T. King (member 118), in which he mentions that he uses acetate F.D.C. albums. Covers are mounted on a sheet so that two covers can be seen, one on each side. I, personally, have not come across this album. He mounts his stamps in a separate album whilst his miniature sheets are placed in special transparent envelopes so that they can each be neatly mounted and seen: presumably these are a kind of pochette. The greatest danger that can arise from the use of transparent covers is that, unless they are made from high quality material, they are liable to crinkle, thereby damaging the contents. I use transparent photographic corner mounts which I find most effective, four per cover, - cost, 71/2d. per 100. Disadvantage? One's albums tend to become bulky. Another method I used some years ago was to mount my covers each on a separate plain card, and filing the cards in a cabinet. Again there are disadvantages - covers are not always of the same size and two types of cards are thus really necessary; also this method is not ideal for display purposes. It is, however, exceedingly useful for mounting a reference collection. Now, fellow collectors, surely there must be some among you who mount your covers differently from any of these ways! Why not write and let me know?

From Les Sharp, member 200, of Auckland, N.Z., comes a letter in which he pays tribute to the work of the S.S.C.C. He also mentions the Scout friends he has made and how much he enjoys reading the Journal. I am certain the officers of the Club appreciate his sentiments. He also sent me his impressions of the New Zealand First Class Jamboree held at Waira-Otago, from 6th to 13th January last, where he was the Scouter in charge of Troop 8,

Auckland contingent. I have reproduced them since they should be of general interest to members.

The site on which the Jamboree was held consisted of nearly 2,400 acres, stretching for two miles up the Silverstream Valley, both sides of which were covered in native bush. There were five sub camps, namely REES, KETTLE, CAPLES, TUCKETT, MC. KERRON and the Jamboree Headquarters, TAIRIA, these names coming from early pioneers of Otago.

The usual facilities were provided at the Jamboree which included a bank, a post office, trading post, canteens, first aid post, fraternity centres, etc.

To attend the Jamboree, one had to be (a) first class standard (b) 13½ years of age by 6th January 1962 and (c) medically fit.

The overseas contingents consisted of 58 Australians, 10 from Cook Islands, 4 from Hong Kong and one from each of Samoa, U.K. and U.S.A., totalling 3,000 in all.

The opening ceremony was performed by the Chief Scout for New Zealand, Lord Cobham and the closing ceremony by the Chief Scout of the Commonwealth, Sir Charles Maclean.

As is usual at such Jamborees, much badge swopping took place and as those attending were 1st. Class, a high standard in camp craft was in evidence. Les was much impressed by the arena displays into which a great deal of thought and work had gone, and the layout of the sub camp sites was a credit to the organisers. He feels it will be a Jamboree that will long be remembered by those who took part. Many thanks, Les, for sending this account to me.

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NEWS AND VIEWS

by 'is nibs (the President)

- 1. <u>Germany</u>. Two new special postmarks: -
 - (a) MESCHEDE 8.4.62 BRIEFMARKEN-AUSSTELLUNG UND PFADFINDER-WERBESCHAU IM HEIM DER OFFENEN TUR.
 - (b) HEINRICHSTHAL 8.4.62 PFADFINDERLAGER A.D. FLACHSLAND.

- 2. New Zealand. 4.1.62 JAMBOREE, WAIORA. Am astonished to note that the F.D. Postmark is a plain single-line strike, and yet on the 6th, the postmark is somewhat larger with a bird in flight motif in the centre. Anyone know the explanation?
- 3. Noted with interest is the re-appearance of the 1957 Jamboree 2½d. value illustrated on the Souvenir sheet issued at this year's "STAMPEX", at Central Hall, Westminster, 16th 24th March.
- 4. Out of the past emerges a surprising item. DENMARK 7-9-1940 "ODENSE JUBILAEUMS FRIMAERKE UDSTILLING" plus a fleur-de-lis with a circle in the centre with the letter "Ph" therein (6 pointed stars either side). Anyone know this one don't tell me I've been "caught" again!
- 5. <u>Australia</u>. 28.12.61 7th World Rover Scout Moot, Clifford Park, Victoria. A very handsome postmark complete with Rover Scout badge and knight in armour design. Even more desirable is the special green registration label WHAT! you're <u>NOT</u> on Mr Tear's P.L.D. list for Reg. covers tch, tch!
- 6. And ditto for Ceylon Jamboree, Colombo, 26th Feb. 1962.
- 7. Back to the Australian Rover Moot a card illustrating the Moot badge issued by the Commercial Banking Company of Sydney; of great interest to we poor hard up over-worked bankmen. Yes, there are several in the Club.
- 8. Nice set of 3 stamps issued by Barbados commemorating the 50th Anniversary. I wonder why a 5/- value though?
- 9. Our friends Haiti overprint their Airmails for a Scout Conference in PORTUGAL we now learn that their new Scout stamps will be overprinted to mark the opening of a new airport! A vicious circle if ever there was one.
- 10. <u>Lebanon</u>. A charming set of 8 values which may be purchased for a mere 3/6 how refreshing to get value for money.
- 11. Also bouquets to Egypt for a Girl Guide single for 6d, and Ceylon for one at 8d.
- 12. Anyone stocked up with the Thailand set of 3 in the hope that they will reach the staggering heights of the 1920 issues in, say, year 2000?

- 13. A remarkable postmark has come to light "2nd Karachi Scouts Camporee" 25th Dec. 1961. If you have any contacts in Pakistan, please endeavour to do the necessary.
- 14. All-India Jamboree 1937. A cover from this event, NOT flown by Rocket, was sold for £15 a few days ago!
- 15. Any wealthy men among us? I have access to $\underline{\text{two}}$ to those elusive 1944 Polish Scout "sewer" posts at £14 each, if required. Er cash in advance please.

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SALES BUREAU

By Charles Seaton

Dear Members,

This month, as you will see, there are quite a few more items for sale, but <u>please</u> do order early, because it is not so nice to inform prospective buyers that I am sold out at any time, but especially late enquirers.

To be fair to all members, I shall put aside one third of as many items as possible for overseas buyers, for two weeks after publication. After that period, first come, for all items.

Items for Sale

S.S.C.C. Journals 1957 July (3), August (9), October (14) 1959 January (5), March (6), May (2), July (10), September (17) 1960 March (2), May (6), July (9), September (3) 1961 March (14), May (15), July (8), September (8) 1962 January (30)

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2	@	3/4 each
4	@	1/6 "
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12	@	1/- "
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              "Cards"
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Austria "50 Jahr" Cancellation )
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        "Favoiten"
Surinam Guide
                                     5
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LIBERIA "MIN" SHEETS
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   (Sent on approval if postage is paid)
Australian Jamboree Seals
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"Stampex" Exhibition sheet,)
   including Scout Stamp of)
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   1957 Jamboree
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NEW MEMBERS

It is with much pleasure that we welcome the following new members in our Club. We trust they will find much to interest them.

463	TRAGER	Solomon	2076 Bronx Park East, Bronx 62,
			New York, U.S.A.
464	CARRIER	A. Benoit	1352 rue Napoleon, Plessisville,
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465	MORRIS	R.G.	35 Lodge Close, Fetcham, Surrey.
466	HARMOR	Mrs Dana	1001 Broadway, N.E. Knoxville 17, Tenn, U.S.A.
467	BANA	Zolton	Box 179, New York 9, New York, U.S.A.
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469*	FOOK	Lam Thin	B41 Lorong Meranti, Jalan, Bendahara, Ipoh, Perak, Federation of Malaya.
470	REECE	D. J. R.	200 Virginia Street, Tiltonsville, Ohio, U.S.A.
471*	BIALAC	Ricky	26 Perna Lane, Stamford, Conn., U.S.A.
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473*	PARRY	Martyn G.	8 Bayhead Court, Bottomley Road, Umbuo, Durban, Natal, S. Africa.
474	CLAY	Lawrence E.	1124 Pearl, Deer Park, Texas, U.S.A.
475	BLAU	Joseph	700 Fort Washington Ave, New York 40, New York, U.S.A.
476	MEUNIER	Roger	24-4th Avenue, North, Roxboro, Quebec, Canada.
477*	REST	Richard	Hightrees, Dursden Lane, Pewsey, Wilts.
478	ROBINSON	Miss S.M.	16 Hastings Street, Cape Town, S. Africa.
479*	BECK	Detlef	Box 368, Nechako P.O. Kitimat, B.C. Canada.
480*	GAFOOR	A. Z.	Pln Leonora Road, West Coast Demerara, British Guiana, South America.

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Ostervagen 14B, bv, Solna, Sweden.

341 B. Lim Now at.....

c/o Messrs Hock & Co., No.52 Jalan Raja Aman Shah, Port Dickson, Malaya.

307 Hans Gerlach As from May 25th his address will be:

Fridhallagatan 30, Hohag, Sweden.

352 M. F. Lidster omit Finchley from address.

363 23802813 Cpl. Steel, E.C., Central Pay Office, I.R. Leicesters, B.F.P. 0.17.

374 Is not a Junior member but should be addressed as:

William W. Marsh Jr., 5818 Carpenter Street, Philadelphia, Pa., U.S.A.

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Cyprus, B. F. P. O. 53.

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YORKSHIRE No. 35 (E.C. Sterne) has since resigned and

should be DELETED.

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FRANCE No. 140 (C. Marchal) insert S. A. O. in address to

read La Jonchere (S. A. O.) Paris.

HOLLAND No. 94 should read WIM SIX Jhr.

No.276 (J.H. van der Steen) correct address is

Maredijk 13a, Leiden.

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MALAYA Donald Teo Cheng Tuan is Member No. 332* not 331.

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U.S.A. No.109 Surname is ROGERS so read as Mr J. Rogers.

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No. 144 Is Geo. V. Holland, Michigan.

No.146 (H. H. Ritter) has changed his address to:-

P.O. Box 493, Clayton, Georgia.

No.150 Mrs Holt is at present on a 3 months

holiday and her permanent address may be changed.

No.178 (A. Greenspan) read Minneapolis 16.

No. 197 (M. Rogers) should be 3280 Griswold Avenue.

No. 211 (J. Owen) should be 655 Carolina Avenue.

No. 231 (A. M. Ramos) make it P. O. Box 307.

No. 343 (E. D. Turnure Jr.) Address changed to:-

6421 Ware Street, Oaklandon, Indiana.

No. 442 (P. E. Turnure) as above.

To be added to List: -

No. 87 Leroy Edwards, 1862 Exton. Avenue, Trenton 10,

New Jersey.

SCOTLAND No. 10 (J. D. Stewart) should read Glasgow W. 1.

(not 10).

SCOTLAND

No. 346 (J. Scott) - HAWICK (not Harwick).

U.S.A.

No.166 (R. Polchaninoff) should read Montauk, (not Montana).

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I would welcome articles from members for the July Journal. My tray is completely empty which means I shall have to ask "the regulars" to put pen to paper once again and I am certain this small band would much prefer to read someone else's contribution. Do see what you can do, won't you?

Sincerely yours,

WILF NODDER.

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ADVERTISEMENTS

- 1. Selling and trading Scout covers, stamps, seals and patches GEORGE DIACHENKO, Member No. 157, 842 N. Rockwell Street, Chicago 22, Ill., U.S.A.
- 2. Russian stamps, covers, seals and badges for sale or exchange R. POLCHANINOFF, 411 Montauk Avenue, Brooklyn 8, N.Y., U.S.A. (Member 166)
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- 4. Write to WILLIAM ANDERSON, 3803 Aloneda Drive, Toledo, 12, Ohio, U.S.A. if you require unusual Scout stamp material. New and old issues, mint and on cover available.
- 5. Tanasi Council Girl Scout Troop 312, of Knoxville, Tennessee honours 50th Anniversary of Girl Scouting and the Second Annual Dogwood Arts Festival, April 22nd May 5th with a beautiful cacheted cover. Girl Scout stamp (Scott No. 974) will be used. Covers available at 20c, American, or 1/5d. British; mint stamps (commemoratives) to this value may be substituted if desired. Orders to Mrs John R. Bridgewater, 8229 Chesterfield Drive, Knoxville 19, Tennessee, U.S.A. (Member 460).

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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. It is also very helpful if you quote your Membership Number. Many thanks.

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You will see from the list of new members that we have now passed the 500 mark! And six months ahead of the target which our Secretary-General set. We must, however, not lose sight of the fact that this number does not constitute 'Active members' -- there have been resignations, quite a number from the Junior section has been due to increasing homework, and this is something which we must accept: those who have had to resign have given good reasons for doing so. I am sorry to say that there are still quite a number who are overdue with their subscriptions, despite repeated reminders!

If YOU happen to be one of those, would you do either of two things -- post off your subscription or drop a post-card either to our Club Secretary or Renewal Secretary -- their addresses are shown on the inside cover - saying that you wish to resign. This apparent lack of co-operation does increase the already heavy work of both these officers, work for which they do not get paid and which is freely given. I am sure that what we ask is very little - if you happen to be one of those who has lost interest or has not the time to continue membership, please remember the fifth Scout Law - and send a postcard.

You will notice that our International Family Circle is growing: we can now add British Guiana, Norway and Czechoslovakia to the list: not only is this encouraging, but it also shows how world wide philately and Scouting is.



By the Editor

The competition proved no more popular with Juniors abroad than in the U.K., for I have received only one entry - from Leong Chee Keng, member 222. His entry contained only one omission - Poland from Question 5. Perhaps I should say, before any member takes me to task, that it is generally accepted that the 1938 Polish stamp commemorating the Restoration of the Territory ceded to Czechoslovakia depicts three figures, one of which is dressed as a Boy Scout as representing the largest Youth Movement in the country at that time. I have posted Keng his book which I hope will be of interest to him.

I have received a letter from Jack Wishart, our Renewals Secretary, in which he tells me of a visit he paid to an Exhibition of Philatelic material in Hull following the Yorkshire P.A. Convention. Here he was very pleased to see one frame from a Junior member, none other than H. Symonds, member 239, who won the competition in May. The frame consisted of six sheets of Jamboree stamps very neatly arranged and written up. He saw from the Exhibition catalogue that this exhibit had gained the Hull and District President's Cup and the Yorkshire P.A. "George Heaps" Cup, both in 1961. Incidentally, it appears our Junior member also won an award in 1959 for 'Games and Sport on Stamps'.

Now, Juniors, please don't hide your light under a postage stamp! If any of you who belong to a Philatelic Society are successful in competitions, do please write and let me know; it is not a question of being a 'big-head': all members, adult and juniors, like to hear about the success of others. Anyway, although it is somewhat belated, we do congratulate our Junior member on his success last year and hope he will have many more.

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SOURCES OF SCOUT STAMP DESIGNS (continued) by Stanley K. Hunter

In the November 1961 Journal, you may remember that I gave some details of the source of the 1st Indonesian National Jamboree set. Mr William Hillcourt, the National Director, Program Resources, of the Boy Scouts of America, has kindly supplied some more details on this set.

The set was based on photos appearing in the Field Book prior to the 1951 edition, in which photos of Scouts in the Field Cap replaced those showing the broad brimmed hat.

The 1 Rp, depicting a Scout saluting, appeared in the earlier editions on page 17, as well as in the "Handbook of Scoutmasters". The boy with the doe (75 sen), was on page 241, while the signaller was taken from page 78.

An interesting point that I overlooked in my earlier article, was that the camp-fire stamp (50 sen), was actually based on a composite design. If you care to look at this stamp, you will see three Scouts. The boy in the centre and the boy at his right are from a photo which appears in both the earlier and current editions. The boy with the fire-wood, actually comes from a photo, (page 165), of a demonstration on how to build a reflector fire. This photo has been "revised" in the current edition. (If any American members have a spare copy of the pre-1951 Field Book, I would be interested to hear from them).

In case you're wondering about the Liberian "Scout" issue, I'm sorry to tell you that Mr Wea Natt, the Chief Scout executive of the Boy Scouts of Liberia, tells me that none of the stamps portray actual Scouts.

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50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS OF THE FLEMISH CATHOLIC SCOUT ASSOCIATION

(contributed by Howard Fears)

Any attempt at a report on the Exhibition of Scout Stamps at Antwerp as part of the 50th Anniversary celebrations of V.V.K.S. (Flemish Catholic Scout Association) must include a description of the material on display and also a brief account of the success of the arrangements.

Of course, the items shown start with a basic Scout collection, but I thought you might be interested in some of those items which are rare - or even unique. So let us walk round the Exhibition.

(1) PADVINDER Post in Belgium in 1940 and 1944. Let me start with a document from 1940 of great interest, which helps explain the origin of the Scout post following the official capitulation on May 28th. I think the following translation of a poster speaks for itself:-

"POSTAL SERVICE free Delivery by Boy Scouts.

"The official Postal Service has now been restarted in some communities.

"However, postal communications between many places has not yet been established. To cover such gaps the Boy Scouts, with the agreement of the civil authorities and the German occupation forces, have instituted a postal service, so that letters may be delivered to any destination in the country.

"All letters MUST be stamped at normal rates and be posted unsealed.*

^{*}Translator's note: The letters had to be sent unsealed.

"LETTERS MAY BE HANDED IN HERE for destinations where the official postal communications have net yet been restored.

(Printer's Name): - MECHELEN - Firma A. Olbrechts - de Maever. to comply with censorship requirements.

Incidentally, this document was probably in use at Malines (Flemish spelling is Mochelen), and he's up very well with the next document which is an authorisation written in German, allowing postal delivery by Boy Scouts <u>in uniform</u> from Malines. This document reads:-

"The following Boy Scout Karl Jacobs from Malines, has permission from the local German authorities to take the post from Malines to Antwerp and Brussels by bicycle in Boy Scout uniform."

This is signed by the local German Commander. Dated: Malines 7th June 1940.

This form is counter-stamped in German, to comply with censorship requirements, with the Eagle and Swastika Censorship hand stamp, also by the Belgian Red Cress Section from Malines, and it has been typed on Scout impressed paper with the Scout badge and inscribed "Catholic Scout Federation of Belgium."

Towards the end of the Exhibition, the Scout mentioned in the German postal permit, Mr Karl Jacobs (who is still an active Scout) visited the Exhibition. He confirmed that the actual Scout postal services in 1940 were carried out during May, June and July, and gave a graphic description of the ways in which the post had to be concealed in his socks in order to ensure delivery. A full account of these services is being prepared by the officials from the Exhibition, who propose to make fuller enquiries. (I am hopeful that we shall be given a copy for publication in this Journal).

The actual Boy Scout post cancels are very simple. On display are examples of cancels from two towns, Antwerp and Malines. An Antwerp cancel, for instance, is in blue and simply reads, in circular form "PADVINDERS POST ANTWERPEN" There is no date at all.



From Malines the only specimen shown is very similar except that instead of "Antwerpen" is the word "Mechelen", and it is in red.

At first, it was thought that such services were only in use in 1940 following the capitulation and the occupation, but ample documentary evidence is on display including one cover dated in pen, and a document from VVKs, to prove that in September and October 1944 (following the Liberation) a similar service was revived, in view of the local breakdowns in communications.

From the collection of Wim Six from Holland also on display there is another Belgian Scout post item. From the Scout post in August 1940 there is a cover apparently sent from Liege, with a District Scout hand-stamp, and delivered via the Belgian Red Cross to St. Malo. Also on display is a photographic reproduction of a cover for a similar service from Bruxelles ("BUREAU NATIONAL DU SCOUTISME BEIGE"), which was delivered in Toulouse, following assistance by the Red Cross.

(2) For a complete change, let us look at some recent acquisitions of Wim Six from Jugoslavia in 1935 comes a cancel reading:-

III. TABOR SKAUTA
6. ix. 35
BEOGRAD 21

From Belgium itself there is an item on piece with a clear cancel, reading:-

INTERSCOUT - LIEGE

8. 9. VIII LUIK 1930

This was issued from the Scout Camp at LUIK (Liege) in connection with the festival for the 100th Anniversary of Belgian Independence.

(3) I should imagine that few collectors can have many items from Luxembourg; thus my interest was taken by two covers from this country. The first, dated Aug. 1st 19219 is cancelled, Simply "LUXEMBOURG", but is an official stationery of the Federation Nationale des Eclaireers du Luxemborg. The letter is addressed to Lieut.-General Sir Robert Robert Baden-Powell at Imperial Headquarters, and stuck an it is a label showing a Scout in uniform, holding a staff and blowing a bugle. At the bottom of the label is the inscription "F.N.E.L. BOY SCOUTS LUXEMBOURG. POW-WOW. 30/7 - 1/8. 1921".

The other item from Luxembourg is of much more recent origin, and is from the National Jamboree in 1948 (July 26th to Aug. 4th) at Bonnevoie. The cancel roads "LETZEBURGER, BONNEVOIR. Scouten Jamboree", and is dated 1.8.48. There is also a-special registration label reading "BONNEVOIE (Printed), JAMBOREE (hand stamp), and a number.

(4) Claude Marchal from France did not send many items, but in his case, it was quality, if not quantity. There is a proof of the 1947 French stamp signed by the designer, and French labels from 1911 onwards. I had not previously seen the French label from 1929 - the year of the Birkenhead Jamboree. Issued by the Association Nationale des Scouts de France, the labels comprise a black of 4 in a folder. The upper 2 labels are inscribed "RALLYE DES SCOUTS de FRANCE, ORLEANS 8-9 MAI 1929", and the lower 2:-

"JAMBOREE MONDIAL, BIRKENHEAD. 31 JUIL - 13 AOUT 1929".

- (5) Talking of labels, there is a very complete display of VVKs labels, from the collection of a label collector. I counted no less than 70 different, and it would need a better artist than I to attempt a free-hand reproduction of the designs. There was also a strip of 5 labels inscribed "JAMBOREE 1926" (a National Belgian Jamboree).
- (6) When I was in Holland last time I described the Dutch Scout post of 1944 and 1945, and one day perhaps Mr Six may be prevailed upon to give a detailed account for this brief report, suffice it to say that from the very end of 1944 and far a while in 1945, a similar service was in operation to that which the Belgian Scouts undertook. The hand stamp

for the Scout delivery service for Rotterdam, for example, has a Scout badge in the centre, and around it the words "PADVINDERS POST DIENST" and the year, e.g. 1945. From the examples available the Rotterdam post would appear to have been the best organised, but Utrecht, The Hague, Schiedam, Amsterdam and Nijmegan also have examples.

The second aspect of the report on what is known locally as "S ... BOUM" will cover the postal arrangements and phila-If it had been known earlier that plans telic souvenirs. could have been made, there might have been a special Scout stamp or at least an overprint on the 1957 pair. In the end, everyone had to be satisfied with a special cancel. word in advance is perhaps necessary here: the postal authorities of Belgium are more accommodating than those of England, and they will apply the cancel on anything which has a postage stamp on it, not only envelopes. The post office was established in a room opposite the Scout Stamp Exhibition in the Flemish Tourist Board centre, and was open from 10 a.m. to mid-day and 2 p.m. until 6 p.m. With one clerk on duty to sell stamps and deal with Registrations, etc., a postman was employed full-time operating the hand-stamp.

I hope by now that you have all soon the special cancel which was in operation on May 19th, 20th and 21st only. Each day the date was changed, but no time of posting shown. Special registration facilities took the form of labels numbered but without any inscription (this, I understand, is standard practice in Belgium at exhibitions). Thus the registered letter is accepted at the Special Post Office and a blank label - but unnumbered is attached and stamped with the Exhibition cancel.

On Saturday, May 18th, 88 Registered letters were sent, starting, of course, with No. 1. Attendance at the Exhibition on Sunday was naturally not great, because all the major outdoor displays were taking place, and Registered mail may only be sent in Antwerp on a Sunday from the one Central P.T.T. office (open day and night). At the Exhibition P.O. Registered mail which was accepted on Sunday had to pay an excess fee of 3 francs because the mail had to be taken to this particular Post Office, but at least it gets a special cancel for

this privilege. Thus on Sunday, only 8 Registered letters were despatched. On the last day, Monday, 11 further letters were sent by Registered post, making a total for the entire Exhibition of 107 Registered letters. (This number 107 is the last one issued from the Exhibition).

The organisers had provided 2 official items, one cover and one card - and there was also the SSCC variety. The 1957 sheet of 8 labels had been overprinted around the edge and sheets of 10 similar "S ... BOUM" labels were also available. Pin badges were on sale as well.

The organisation of the Exhibition was undertaken by Club member J. SUY who had put in a tremendous amount of work to prepare the display, bearing in mind that over 300 sheets of stamps were on Show. Contributed by Belgians were the bulk of the items, of course, with some sheets from the collections of Club member W. SIX (Holland), C. MARCHAL (France), and R. RHODES and myself from England. Admission was free for Scouts etc. in uniform, so the exact numbers of those attending cannot be given from the entrance tickets sold, but I would guess the numbers at 600 on Saturday, 300 on Sunday, and 300 on Monday. Visitors included the Chief Scout of Austria, Prince Emmanual of Liechtenstein, General Lockhart, a Papal representative, and the Chief Scout of the V.V.K.S.

Lastly, a few general impressions. I had not appreciated how much organisation would be involved in a parade of 27,000 Scouts, Cubs, Rovers, etc. including many Scout bands. They had come from many areas of Flanders, but I was much impressed by the youthful liveliness of the Scouters and the approach to the Movement. The District Commissioners all had an average age of about 26 to 30 - and the local Groups, including the cubs, had to march in procession in column up to 20 abreast. They marched 8 miles to the Stadium and, in the evening, all 8 miles back again. I feel that many English Scouts, let alone cubs, would think twice about doing that. From many points of view I must congratulate all the organising officials and the superb friendliness with which I was met, and the very kind generosity of the Suy family, who welcomed me into their homes. Of course, I had to work very hard writing very many addresses on covers, but I secured a

few unusual souvenirs. For example, a cardboard cover from the Postal Museum complete with the S... BOUM overprinted labels, cancelled with the hand-stamp of the Exhibition and signed by Prince Emmanuel of Liechtenstein (Chief Scout of his country). He signed various items for me in French, English and German. I even obtained one or two items showing all 3 dates of the Exhibition cancel. Perhaps at one of the SSCC displays I can have the whole collection mounted, so that the many varieties may be seen.

As a final supplement, you might be interested to know that the VVKS movement is organising its own Scout Stamp Club especially for the Scouts and seem to be having considerable success with much interest being shown. Already over 100 members have been enrolled, and many enquiries were received at the Exhibition. It would be very fine if we could maintain a close association between our own Club and their organisation.

In October a Scout stamp has been promised from Austria, and in a moment of wild abandon I have promised to help the Scouts there, who are organising another Scout Stamp display - so you know what I shall be doing in the Autumn - yet more hundreds of envelopes to be addressed - cor!

(I am sure you will all wish me to say a big "thank you" to our Secretary-General for this long and interesting description of the Exhibition and for the great deal of trouble he went to in getting covers sent to members. Editor).



A letter from David Potter (member 60) refers to the remarks made in our May Journal about the issue by some countries of souvenir shoots and so-called 'Scout' stamps. He is in agreement with the writers in condemning the amount of printed paper which is turned out as 'postage stamps' in an effort to attract the Scout stamp collector. He thinks it would be wise, however, to realise that although souvenir sheets may be required for completeness, this in itself should never be the prime requirement of a col-He, himself, likes souvenir sheets as he considers they give a colourful impact to the album: but immediately they command too high a premium

over face, they lose their attraction and he can see no reason for purchasing them. What is more important, he doesn't regret it: if it leaves a blank space in his album, then he just ignores it! He feels we have become too used to getting all new issues 'off the press' and he queries whether this is stamp collecting (I think it can be called so, but it is certainly not philately. Ed.) He suggests those who must have those sheets should have the virtue of patience; very often they will appear in an auction somewhere at a very fair discount off new issue prices, sometime in the future. After all, stamp collecting is a hobby; if we buy something at an inflated price and regret it afterwards, then it is no longer a hobby and gives one no pleasure.

He also quotes some recent auction realisations: -

Siam - First Scout set, S.G.S1 to S6, fine used except S6 which had a rust stain £6

Siam - Second Scout set, S.G.S7 to S12, fine used except S12 which had slight thin £5 and mentions that there were very few bargains to be had at STAMPEX this year. One dealer had a supply of mint Scout stamps but covers were conspicuous by their absence.

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One of our new Junior members, Richard Best, member 477, would like to correspond with an overseas member. He says he is a novice with regard to the collecting of Scout stamps Here is an opportunity for one of our overseas Juniors to have a pen pal.

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Our Junior member, Leong Chee Keng, member 222, has asked mo what I think of the idea of publishing the Journal monthly: he agrees that the subscription would have to be increased to cover the extra postage but the matter contained in two months' issues could be the equivalent to the present bi-monthly issue. The Journal would then line up with the S.O.S.S.I. Journal of America. He feels that by so doing the news would be much more up-to-date.

Whilst I certainly agree with this latter point, there are other things to be considered: it would mean twice as much work for our four voluntary distributors; this would be most unfair to ask of them: it would increase the work of our hard working Club Secretary - even now he has little spare time to himself, and speaking for the Editor, poor chap, I can assure you he would look down his nose! It takes roughly a week of evenings to draft out each issue of the Journal and he happens to have quite a fair amount of Scout work to do beside having to earn his living! He would, however, be quite willing to hand over the reins to anyone who would be prepared to run a monthly Journal, and if there is such a person in the Club, perhaps he or she would drop him At present, I am afraid he would be unwilling to do a line. it.

James Coutts, member 75, in a letter to our Club Secretary gives us some information about the cancellations used at the New Zealand Waiora Jamboree. This was referred to by our President in his contribution under 'News and Views' in the May Journal.

First day cancellations was the single circle type but the one used on the 6th January featured a bird with outstretched wings as if in full flight, similar to the Jamboree badge. It is quite a scarce cancellation as is also the actual Jamboree badge. Should any member have an example of the cancellations would they kindly loan it me so that I can illustrate it in the next issue along with others.

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ROLAND HOUSE MEETING OF S. S. C. C. 23.6.62

Although I know it would put me that much in arrears with the recent heavy mail which required my attention I am pleased I went along as, although there were only eleven of us present we had a most enjoyable afternoon.

In the absence of our President, Mr Roy Rhodes, who was at the last moment prevented from attending by family reasons, Mr Len Bowen took the Chair.

For the first hour or so he treated us with a very interesting commentary on the pages of an album he brought along and passed round singly for our inspection. This gave many of us an opportunity of viewing for the first time many of his rare Scout items. Thank you Len.

As well as proving to be an excellent Chairman he also proved he could use his abilities in the role of an Auctioneer. It all started with the Membership Secretary producing an item sent along by our Renewals Secretary to be sold on behalf of Club Funds. This was soon snapped up for 8/-.

This proved to be a popular session of the meeting as Mr Blunt produced four more items which had been given to him recently and he had brought them along to show members. To keep the auction running he offered them as further items on behalf of the Club Funds. By the time these had been

disposed of other members had offered some five further items of interest so that at times competition was really keen. At the close of this session the M.S. announced that he had the sum of £4. 1. O he would be able to send to the Secretary-General.

Prices realised: Central African Jamboree cover with accompanying literature, 8/-. Packet of pre-stamp letters, etc., 7/7d. 19 commercially used covers with 2½d G.B. Scout stamp, 2/6d. F.D.C. New Zealand Health with Princesses, 3/6d. F.D.C. U.S. with 2 Juilette Low stamps, 9/-. One pre-war Roland House sticker (seal), 8/-. One India last day cover, 2/6d. One Formosa F.D.C., 7/-. One Trinidad cover with P.O. cancel advertising Jamboree, 4/6d. And a piece de resistance - a F.D.C. with registered label of the Central African Jam: also with accompanying literature, which realised 28/6d.

Members were still hard at it swapping when I left at 6 p.m.

F. S. B.

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SALES BUREAU
by Charles Seaton

Dear Members,

Even with longer daylight and holidays, I am hoping that you will still have some spare moments to study the items offered in the "Sales Bureau". Most of the items once sold will not be able to be replaced at anything near the price they are now, and one or two are now quoted in other sources at nearly double the price.

This is a service run for your benefit, to see items at lowest prices possible, but only while stock lasts. Might I ask prospective buyers to enclose postage when ordering, for although most do so, quite a few forget.

Hoping you all have good holidays, but with enough cash left to purchase the odd item.

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SCOUTS or "SCOUTS"?

by Stanley K. Hunter

In 1960, some listings appeared in the Journal, giving details of the so-called "fraud" Scout issues. These were mainly stamps depicting boys and girls in Scout-like uniforms and were issued to publicise various "nationalised" youth organisations. It was fairly easy to reject all those issues out-of-hand, for a large proportion were from the "Iron Curtain" States, where B-P's Scouting is prohibited.

In the last few months, however, we collectors have been faced with another type of "fraud" ... stamps honouring Scouting, issued by countries where B-P's Scouting is not recognised yet, but whore the Government is not actively opposed to it. I have in mind the recent Liberian set. Liberia was in fact, a Founder-member of the Boy Scouts International Bureau, but resigned after only twelve years membership. Another State with "lapsed" membership is Afghanistan, which issued a pair of Guide stamps. Paraguay, on the other hand, has never been a member of the Bureau, although their stamps obviously paid homage to B-P.

It is clear that we must establish the status of these issues. If we select membership of the World Bureau as our standard, we must be prepared for some disappointments, for several Scout "Classics" were in fact issued by "un-Registered" countries. Take Liechtenstein, for example, for the 1932 Charity set was issued before the Principality was made a member of the Bureau.

Turkey is a comparatively new member, so this makes the 1938 "Buglers" and the Charity labels "illegal" Scout stamps. Scouting in Iran was suppressed in 1940 and not re-Registered until 1955, so the "Shah in Uniform" is not really a Scout stamp. The story in Japan is the same, for the 1949 stamp and cancel were issued during the year prior to Japan's re-Registration.

While all these examples are of countries where Scouting is now "official", surely it is possible that Liberia and Afghanistan may "return to the fold", and that Paraguay may eventually join us?

I know that all three have blacked their copy-books by issuing "complex emissions" ... but what about some members of the Bureau itself, who should know better?

Well, any comments?

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A WARNING

By the Editor

It has been brought to my notice that covers, supposedly 'first day' of the Afghanistani issue of 1961 showing a Girl Scout and the associated souvenir sheets, are being offered in the philatelic press, nine to ten months after, their release.

There are several interesting features about those covers which immediately place them in the category of "Fakes": firstly, most of them bear a cachet, in English; this is, in itself unusual, since French and Arabic are the common languages in Afghanistan and it would also be contrary to the usual practice of the Director of Posts to allow cacheted covers to be used; moreover, these covers are made of a pure white paper and not the usual brown porous type common to Asia: secondly, and what is of more importance, the cancellation shows the place of origin spelt KABUL, and although this is the spelling normally used by the population of that place, it has not been used on cancellations seen on commercial mail during recent times. The spelling has always been KABOUL; again, the cancellation also bears differently shaped Arabic lettering from the normal and the date, instead of being 23.7.61, is 23.7.6.

My correspondent in this matter is a member of the S.S. C.C.; he has very kindly sent me a number of photostat copies of commercial mail which he has examined and also of faked 'first day' covers of the issue in question, and to my mind there can be no doubt whatever that the cancellation on the latter examples has been 'manufactured'.

I think I am correct in saying that there is no 'official' Girl Guide Association at present in Afghanistan. If this is so, then this issue should not come under the heading of 'Scout and Guide stamps'. I realise that the issue was for the Women's Welfare Organisation and presume that the Postal Authorities thought fit to portray a 'Girl Scout' maybe with the idea that it would prove very popular with thematic collectors. Some people, whose dealings must certainly be considered to be on the questionable side, have tried to jump the wagon and place a number of faked covers on the market.

I hope none of you, or at least very few of our members, have been 'caught' over paying high prices for those covers; should anyone possess what he or she considers to be a genuine F.D. cover, it would be much appreciated if details of it could be forwarded to me. Again, if there are any members who would like further information on the subject, perhaps they would drop me a line. I shall be only too willing to pass on all I know.

At least, YOU HAVE BEEN WARNED.

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Some future events which might produce some new Scout stamps or cancels. By F.S. Blunt.

50th anniversary National Jamboree, Boy Scouts of Iceland. Thingvellir, Iceland. July 28. August 7.

First Asian Jamboree (3rd Nippon Jamboree). Gotomba (at the foot of Mt. Fuji, Japan. Aug. 2 - 7.

Fourth Canadian Rover Moot. Camp Scout Mekinac at St. Rochde-Mekinac, Quebec, Canada. Aug. 27 - Sept. 4.

Second European Regional Scout Conference. Britain Sept. 21-24.

Philia for Arab Scouts. Libya.

Jamboree-on-the-Air. Oct. 20 - 21. Call letters VE3WSB.

Third Far East Regional Scout Conference, Bangkok, Thailand. December 5 - 12.

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I am greatly indebted to our member Mr R. Allen (Member 320) for sending me a copy of the "South African Philatelist" of October 1957 in which appeared an article by Dr Freund. My acknowledgement to the present editor, Dr Berry, of the "S.A.P." for allowing me to publish it. Since it is of some length I shall be spreading it over several issues.

"THE FIRST BOY SCOUT AND HIS CADET CORPS"

The Boy on the 1d Blue Mafeking stamp by Dr K. Freund

WARNER GOODYEAR was 12 years old when the shadow of a Siege with all its hardships fell upon him, his family and the citizens of Mafeking. But he was such an efficient, courageous boy that it was not long before the great Colonel Baden-Powell, the gallant Commander in charge of the invested town, recognised the excellent "Scout Leader" qualities of this youngster. Young Warner showed all the characteristics of a good "Scout": Loyalty, Unselfishness, Enthusiasm, Inventiveness and Courage.

To tell the truth, Goodyear and his gang of boys were about the only ones who treated the Siege more as a game. As one of these Scouts once wrote to me: They were full of playful nonsense and just loved the excitement of doing errands and other duties while shells were whistling around.

None the less, they took their responsibilities seriously, doing "good deeds", not every day, but every moment, and executing "man-sized jobs" under the most dangerous conditions. They were the true protagonists, the "kernel" of the future world-wide movement of Boy Scouts.

CAPT. GOODYEAR, HIS FATHER

In praising Warner Goodyear, one must not forget that he had inherited all his "Scout" qualities from a remarkable father of striking character, whom the son idolized and in whose footsteps he tried to follow.

Capt. Charles Goodyear was a true "King of Mafeking", having been one of the first residents of this place, and later its first Mayor. He was a well-known Army Officer. In earlier times, he had joined Col. Warren's expedition, was then the first Officer to join the Bechuanaland Border Force, and at the beginning of the Siege was placed by Baden-Powell in command of the Cape Boy Contingent which did some excellent exploits against the enemy. In one of these Capt. Goodyear was severely wounded.

THE FORMATION OF THE CADET CORPS

When the Boer forces started to surround Mafeking and an attack on the town was imminent Baden-Powell mustered all the available man-power to take up the stand.

Alas, there was only a small handful to withstand the large Boer forces. Altogether 700 trained men, police and volunteers could be placed by Baden-Powell at strategical Outposts and Forts at the surrounding flat outskirts of the town.

In addition, there were some 300 town males of all shapes and varying degrees of fitness. Many of them were "white collar" workers who had never seen a rifle in their lives who at the beginning were hopelessly at sea when they had to learn to drill and to shoot. Baden-Powell remarked once that it was "not much fun to face an enemy who meant to kill you, when you have never learned to shoot!"

The whole place of Mafeking to be defended was about 5 miles around and contained 600 white women and roughly 7,000 Natives.

Gradually, the man-power position got even worse, some of the men getting killed, many others wounded. The duties of fighting and keeping night-watch on look-outs became harder for the rest.

THIS IS WHERE THE BOYS CAME IN

You know what boys are: They had been careering about the deserted streets like March Hares, anyway. While all ordinary, decent citizens kept lawfully underground, in dugout bomb-shelters, as the General Orders demanded, the boys could never be kept underground for long, but hopped and teared around as boys would do. The wilder the bombing and shelling, the greater fun it was for them.

At Baden-Powell's instigation, his Chief Staff Officer Major Lord Edward Cecil, got together all boys of the place, from 9 years upward, and formed them into a cadet corps.

Now, their exuberant activity could be harnessed into some useful duties which so far had been carried out by men: Delivering military orders and messages from and to the Forts, keeping look-out, acting as orderlies, and delivering civilian mail among the population which was scattered through the town and not allowed to move about at most times. In particular, no civilian was allowed to visit the outposts, and no soldier was permitted to go back into town, for long periods, except by special permit. Letter-writing was therefore the only means of communication among the poor Mafekingians.

All these aforementioned duties were taken over by the boys of the new Cadet Corps which released men to go and strengthen the firing-line.

SCOUT UNIFORM

The boys were put into Khaki Uniform, and wore either a forage cap or a "smasher" hat and a yellow "pugaree". The hat was not unlike the Boy Scout's hat worn to-day, but it was usually turned up on one side.

Boys who were appointed messengers or postmen received a despatch pouch. None of the boys was armed.

DRILLING AND SCOUTING

The corps drilled regularly under Major Lord Edward Cecil. Warner Goodyear was made their leader and appointed a SERGEANT-MAJOR. The boys were a very smart bunch and kept a proud bearing at all times, fully conscious of their responsibility and importance.

Baden-Powell frequently watched the drilling with great satisfaction and asked himself: WHY CANNOT ALL BOYS BE LIKE THAT? Then and there he made his resolution to form a civilian corps of Scouts on similar lines as soon as the war was over.

B.P. himself taught the boys WOOD-WORK, CAMPING and HIKING whenever he could manage. When the boys were off-duty, for instance on Sundays, he arranged COMPETITIONS which in type were very similar to competitions still familiar to the Boy Scouts of to-day. Here is for instance one which I am taking from the "Mafeking Mail, Special Siege Slip" No. 130, April 29, 1900:

"CADET COMPETITION. - The rules of the above will be as follows:

Each cadet will receive a letter on the Recreation Ground. He will carry it to the Staff Officer; route via Carrington Street. He will then receive a verbal answer and return to the Recreation Ground to the sender and repeat the verbal message to him in a loud; clear tone of voice.

DUTIES

The boys had to carry out their jobs frequently under heavy shell fire, but bravely carried on, although it meant risks to their lives every time.

Here is a typical incident which Baden-Powell reports in his book "Scouting for Boys": "I said to one of those boys on one occasion, when he came in through rather a heavy fire: 'You will get hit one of these days riding about like that when shells are flying'. And he replied: 'I pedal so quick, Sir, they'd never catch me'."

(to be continued)

NEW MEMBERS

We are very pleased to welcome the following new members to the S.S.C.C. and trust they will derive much benefit from their membership.

For security and international reasons, the names and addresses of Members 481, 484, 485 and 486 are withheld as by mutual agreement they will and must not be mentioned in the Club Journal or Membership List.

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We are hoping to be able to have copies of the September Journal available at the Gilwell Reunion this year, as we did last Reunion. In order that this can be done, will contributors please let me have their articles and notes by <u>AUGUST 12th</u>. This also applies to those who wish to insert advertisements.

Sincerely yours,
WILF NODDER

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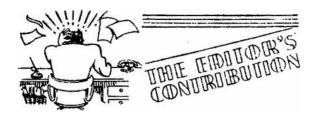


Even the best laid plans sometimes fail to materialise: I had hoped to include with this issue, four pages of illustrations; unfortunately, I had to go into hospital at short notice, with the result that I have been unable to prepare the drawings for reproduction in time for this Journal to be ready for the Gilwell Reunion. Please accept my sincere apologies. I will, however, endeavour to got them ready for the November number.

Our very energetic Regional representative for Scotland, Stanley Hunter, has produced a comprehensive index for the first five volumes of the Journal; this was quite a big undertaking and should be of great use to everyone. To have it printed will be rather expensive and I have suggested to our Secretary-General that a small charge be made to members who would like to have it; if you require a copy will you please send me a postal order for one shilling (or its equivalent) and it will be forwarded to you when it is available. This should be in November.

My grateful thanks to the contributors of this issue; I can assure them that their efforts are appreciated. It would, however, make my task a great deal easier if I were to receive more articles for publication: I can never have too many! Please help me, won't you?

JUNIOR PAGE



By the Editor

Dear Junior,

I am quite sure there must be a number of terms used in philately that you have never heard which have probably puzzled you. I think it therefore might be a good idea if we were to see if we can define some of them, so that when you hoar other collectors mention them you will understand what they are talking about: maybe, if you are a Scout or a Guide, this knowledge will help you to gain your Stamp Collector and Philatelist badges.

Let's start off with the terms used in the printing of stamps; the first four are perhaps the most important:-

- (a) Line Engraving -- this is printing from plates that have the design cut out or incised: the design will thus stand out slightly in relief on the finished stamp.
- (b) Photogravure -- this is printing from a plate that has the design etched into it, by using a photographic plate.
- (c) Recess -- this is used to describe printing from either the incised or etched portions of the plate.
- (d) Surface or Typography -- this is printing from the surface of the plate which is the exact opposite of (c).
- (e) Lithography -- literally, this is printing from the flat surface of a stone.
- (f) Embossing -- this is printing under pressure, from a plate having the design in relief, so that the design stands out, sometimes coloured but quite often left uncoloured.

Another important term is 'perforations'; there are several different kinds which are: -

- (a) Comb -- this is produced by a machine with pins having widely spaced teeth like a comb, so that with each operation of the machine three sides of each stamp in a horizontal row of the sheet are perforated.
- (b) Compound -- this is a perforation in which the number of holes differ horizontally and vertically; sometimes, but very rarely, the horizontal and vertical perforations on both sides of the stamp also differ.
- (c) Harrow -- this is produced by a machine having pins similar to a harrow so that the whole sheet or pane that is a part of a sheet is perforated in one operation.
- (d) Line -- this is produced by a machine having a single line of pins and thus only one row is perforated at one time; the perforations at the corners of such a stamp are usually irregular.
- (e) Roulette -- although not strictly a perforation, this is a means sometimes adopted: it is a series of cuts made between stamps without any of the paper being removed and provides a means whereby the stamps can be separated.

In the next Journal I will discuss some further terms. In the meantime, see if you can find examples of stamps in your own collection which are printed and perforated by these different methods.

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WHERE DOES IT COME FROM - WHERE DOES IT GO? contributed by John D. Roake Member 401)

Nowadays, the issue of a Scout series of stamps is often dogged by the inevitable imperf. set and a miniature sheet at inflated prices, and in addition to the doubtful Paraguay we now have Libya doing the same thing. The face value of the three stamps is about 1/- and the normal perf. issues will come on to the market at about that price. But what of the imperf.? As a special offer I was sent a few sets at 10/- a set. Needless to say they went back, and will not appear in my collection. The good name of Scouting is being used in a bad way. "Where does it come from?" In some cases the stamp-issuing authority promotes the scarcity, and in others it is the monopoly held by

appointed philatelic agencies or dealers who are in a position to buy up complete issues. Do not be caught by this unsavoury practice. The field is great enough to cover without patronising "big business".

"Where does it go?" is an interesting subject when applied to the naturally scarce pre-war material. The answer in general is "Across the Atlantic". Dealers lists from the other side show that there is a profusion of Mafeking, Czecho-Slovakia, Hungary, Siam and Roumania there - but at a price! Would you like a Goodyear on cover for £55, or a B.P. large format on cover for £105? Czecho-Slovakia pair used for £4.15.0 or Lithuania for £3.5.0! If you are a crackpot you can have that unmentionable Egypt min. sheet for one hundred and ten dollars!!!

But to return to earth, and the British market, it is very noticeable how scarce some items are, and "on cover" material from the early days is almost "American" in price. Having made a survey of most of the London dealers, I found very little material for sale, and certain sets seem to be unobtainable. Lithuania is a case in particular. The early Liechtenstein trio is another elusive item. So if you are in need of these items search out the provincial dealers and go through their stock-books, and buy!

A few more tips for those who have not completed their modern issues. Barbados is rising in price and 9/is about the current price. That attractive 1951 Austria is on the climb, as is the 1953 Liechtenstein set. FDC's of the G.B. overprints are highly quoted, as is Syria 1958. The moral is simple - get the items you want when they are issued. The Club caters for mint and covers - for used items off cover, just wait till they turn up! And like me, you will still be waiting for that Nicaragua 1948 2 cent Blue - used!!

(Many thanks, John, for the above contribution. Editor)



By Howard L. Fears

The months of July and August are about the busiest from the outdoor Scouting point-of-view, at least in Britain, and the flow of Scout and Guide camp cancels is correspondingly hectic. Added to this is a constant stream of information from members, friends, and overseas correspondents. Please forgive me if, at times, I overlook recording something; it is not intentional and I really enjoy hearing from every member. Let us take a few looks into the crystal ball:-

- (1) GILWELL. Wood Badge Reunion. As I write on August 8th, no news to offer, I am afraid. We hope to have this edition of the Journal available. I hope to be present, and we hope for a stand or some special corner of our own. But there are many hopes and I can only add my own to the pile.
- (2) WORLD JAMBOREE: GREECE 1963. I have suggested that an International Stamp Exhibition of Scout material at Marathon would be very interesting, and have "stuck my neck out" by offering to assist in planning and running, as well as lending a hand with postal arrangements. It would be wonderful publicity for the Club; any offers, suggestions (or old books?). Perhaps the Badgers might like a corner.

- (3) AUSTRIA. A Scout stamp is to be issued in October and there are to be national Scout celebrations and a Scout stamp exhibition. I have been invited to attend. But where can I find the time?
- (4) BELGIUM. Scout issue due next May and a large Scout stamp exhibition is being arranged in Brussels. I have promised to attend, help, and exhibit.
- (5) A member has very kindly sent an example of a rare G.B. Scout label. Issued during the last war, with a green background, it has the simple wording "THE BOY SCOUTS ARE CARRYING ON", beneath a large Scout hat, and below are a Scout's legs (?). Until this year I did not know such an example existed.
- (6) Charles Seaton is doing champion work with the Sales Bureau, and he asks me to remind you that application for material should be made as soon as you receive your Journal. It's usually limited supplies, and a comparison with retail prices shows many examples of bargains within our lists. Charles is also making himself responsible for the Approval Service whilst David Short is helping out with Scout camping in U.S.A.
- (7) ROBERT BOOKER, of Natal, South Africa has very kindly agreed to act as Publicity Officer for South Africa, and we hope for a spate of new members as a result of his efforts.
- (8) Recently I have been making and receiving enquiries regarding a number of new "lines" which might be offered via the Club, and before these are accepted I thought I would obtain samples and see whether you are interested, so, for the moment, I offer the following. Let me know if you are interested, but-don't send cash. Members overseas may order as well, but postage is extra in every case:-

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13 colour reproductions, larger than actual issues, of stamps depicting B-P, including Mafeking, Australia, Liechtenstein, etc. These could be kept as a booklet for publicity purposes, or used individually as cut-outs for your own album sheets. (In the latter case you will need 2 booklets). The price is only 1/9d per booklet.

Scout Stamp Album. From America I have received an example of an album designed for the U.S. Boy-Scouts' Association to take every Scout/Guide stamp issued, and supplements are provided to keep it up-to-date. The album is well illustrated, and is altogether a fine job if you are aiming at a basic Scout stamp collection, or would be an excellent gift for a youngster to encourage him in this topic. Including supplement the cost is only 10/6d. for the pages. You would need your own binder.

In all cases with these special offers, postage is extra.

(9) Lastly, a few personal comments. I don't know whether our Editor, Wilf Nodder, will have told you elsewhere in the Journal of his recent hospital treatment. I can certainly assure you that I was glad to received a note saying he was home again and able to tackle this issue of the Journal.

Latest enrolments bring our total to nearly 530. There have been a few resignations (e.g. pressure of other interests, lack of cash, "old age", or even "I have lost interest in stamps"), and I have deleted a few names where subs. are very overdue. But our active total continues to rise, and it's an unusual week when there aren't 2 or 3 new enquiries.

I hope to meet some members at Gilwell, and if regional meetings are planned I will do my very best to attend.

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SCOUT POST

(Translated from the original article by G.A.

Pronteau which appeared in Feuilles Marcophile
No. 139)

Contributed by Reg. Morris (Member No. 465)

Jambville is a small, charming place in the departement of Seine et Oise and is normally served by the Montalet-le-Bois receiving and distribution office. (see fig. 1 and fig. 2).

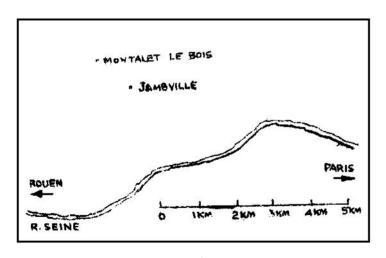




FIG 1

In May of 1961, Jambville was the stage for the French National Scouts Day when 7000 youngsters gathered in the magnificent 120 acres of chateau parkland on Easter Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

The office of Montalet-le-Bois was unable to cope with the influx of mail from the numerous post boxes in the park during these three days, hence it was handled by the receiving office of Meulan, the chief town of the district of the same name.

Meulan is generally favoured with a pictorial slogan cancellation "Meulan/Son Bassin/Sports Peche" illustrated with a yacht and the bridge over the Seine (fig. 3), but, from the 20th February, that is to say 3 months before the Jambville festivities, they used a different slogan (fig. 4).





JOURNEES NATIONALES SCOUTS DE FRANCE JAMBVILLE 20-22 MAI



FIG 4.

Whilst a temporary post office was not authorised, a small place with telephone booths and bearing the inscription 'Postal Office' was set up at the entrance to the chateau.

This office was for: (a) the sale of stamps, (b) receipt of telephone call fees, (c) the centralisation of mail for forwarding by the office of Meulan after the application of a rectangular cachet in blue bearing the words 'Journees rationales/SDF 1961/Poste Scoute/Jambville Meulan' (fig. 5)

and (d) for the transport of this mail by van to the sorting office.



FIG 5

Such mail was passed through a 'secap' machine and cancelled 'MEULAN 23 mai 7 h, 8 h 15 or 8 h 30', thus receiving the Scout cachet and the slogan "Journees Nationales" This was the last day of use of the slogan.

It is interesting to note that, to my best knowledge: -

- 1) Some of the operations normally effected by the postmen were entrusted during the three days to young Scouts who thus efficaciously participated in forwarding of mail with the blessing of the Postal Administration.
- 2) Three years before (the 24th May 1958 to be previse) a similar event to that described took place also at Jambville. That mail received a cachet as illustrated, struck in red and cancelled at Meulan with the slogan "Journees Nationales/Scouts de France/24 mai Jambville".

(I am grateful to our member, Reg Morris, for arranging publication of this article with the author and for translating from the french. Editor)

THE HIDDEN STORY .. by Wilf Nodder

It was one of those hot, stinking, dry days when I stopped my car on the outskirts of Mafeking. Although I had been resident in the Cape for some years and had travelled about quite a bit, I had not so far given Mafeking "the once over". Well, here was my chance; I had a few hours to spare before taking the road to Jo'burg, so switching off the engine, I closed my eyes and sat in the car letting my mind go back over the years... The Boer War; Mafeking; the Siege; Baden-Powell.... Umph. That was a good many years ago; few of those who had weathered the Siege could possibly be alive to-day; what exciting experiences they must have recounted.... Ah! well.......

I got out of the car. It might be as well to stretch my legs a bit. It was then I noticed a rather tumbled-down looking house just off the road and on the stoop sat a figure; as I approached I could see that it was a man of about 65; he rose to his feet as I reached him and, in Afrikaans, asked me what I wanted. I explained that I was on my way to Jo'burg and had just stopped to have a quick look round Mafeking.

His eyes lit up as he said, "You are too young to remember the Siege, aren't you?" I nodded. "Yes, you would be," he said, "but I was in it." He was silent for a few moments and gazed across to where I had left the car. "Not many of us left, now," he continued, "but it doesn't seem so long ago to me." Again he was silent. I waited for him to continue. "Yes, I was only a lad at the time; I had come to Mafeking with my father who was in the army, a few months before the Siege began; he always said, 'Where's there's trouble, there's Bill Higgins' - that was his name - and it always was so, too, right to the end: a shot from one of the Boer rifles got him right between the eyes the night before the Siege was lifted." The old man seemed to be gazing back into the past. I waited, for I felt there was something else he was going to tell me.

He turned and opened the door, calling out as he did so, "Come inside a minute, I'll show you something that I

think might interest you." As I entered, I could see him bending over an old fashioned writing bureau; he turned, and holding a book in his hand, came towards me. "Take a look through this," he said. I took it from him, and laying it on the table, turned over the pages: it was a diary, written in a childish hand, giving the daily happenings during the Siege as seen through the eyes of a boy, a rather pathetic reminder of what, to him, must have been a tragedy.

I turned over the pages slowly, reading short passages here and there. As I turned over the next page, I let out a gasp - stuck on the page was a complete sheet of the large 3d. B.P. Mafeking stamps!!! I leant on the table to steady myself: he looked at me curiously and asked what was the matter. I then told him I was interested in the stamps and was surprised to see these rather uncommon stamps stuck down in his book. "I suppose you wouldn't like to let me buy them," I said. He shook his head. "I don't want to spoil my book, but I'll let you have some other copies of these stamps," he said, and began rummaging about in the bureau, whilst I wondered what he would produce: surely not another sheet!!

"Ah, here they are," he exclaimed, as he took out an old tattered envelope. Opening it, he drew out six complete sheets, two of which were of the small 3d. B.P. stamp. "I used to be very friendly with the Postmaster in Mafeking and, after the Siege was over, he gave me these as souvenirs. I've got a sheet or two of the 1d stamp somewhere," and he started turning over the letters in the pigeonholes again. "I've found them," he exclaimed and handed me another envelope. By this time my hand was shaking: I grabbed a chair and sat down heavily, then I pinched myself, hard ... twelve, thirteen, fourteen sheets, some of them a little creased, admittedly, but nevertheless fourteen sheets of the d. cyclist stamp!!!

I turned to him. He smiled and asked what was wrong, didn't I want them? I stammered "Yes" and wondered whether I had sufficient money on me to pay him. "How much do you want for them," I asked, hoping that he wouldn't ask the

world. "Oh, I don't want anything for them," he said, "I am only too pleased you came and spoke to me and were so interested in what I had to show you: you are welcome to them. I suppose you don't collect used copies as well?"

This was the last straw! I could only nod my head. Again he turned over a few papers in the old bureau and then handed me a bundle of envelopes tied up with string. "There are about twenty envelopes there, a couple have 3d. stamps on them, but most of them have 1d. ones; I used to write my father whilst he was at the outposts and he kept all my letters in their envelopes: they gave them to me after they had buried him. I still have the letters, but I don't want the envelopes."

I stammered out my thanks and asked if there was anything he really wanted that I could send him on my return to Cape Town, but he said, "No," he had everything he needed. I took my leave of him in a daze and made my way back to my car. As I reached it I turned; I could see him leaning over the stoop, waving his hand. I opened the car door and got inside, placing the sheets of stamps and the envelopes carefully on the seat beside me. I mopped my brow and would have given anything for a nice long, cool, iced drink, well, almost anything, as I glanced at my treasures beside me. I shut my eyes.....

.... I woke with a start: the sun was still streaming down steadily and my head ached. Then suddenly I remembered my little adventure and turned to the seat beside me. It was empty. Frantically I looked under the seat in case the stamps had slipped down onto the floor of the car, but no, there was nothing there but a small piece of silver paper and some sand. Then I glanced across to the house, wondering whether I should go back and ask the old gentleman if he had happened to see anyone near my car whilst I was dosing. All I could see were a few eucalyptus trees..... I rubbed my eyes. Had I been dreaming?

A few months later I left South Africa for good. That was in 1957.

There is, however, a seguel to this story. About six months ago I happened to read in one of the philatelic magazines of an unusual find in the Transvaal by a Mr Van Heyter, who, after purchasing an old writing bureau at a local sale, discovered hidden in a secret drawer, some complete sheets of the 1d and 3d Mafeking 'blue' stamps and a bundle of Siege envelopes. I wrote to the editor of the magazine enclosing a letter for Van Heyter, requesting particulars of the 'find'. Several weeks elapsed, then one morning I received a letter from him: it confirmed the discovery of the stamps and envelopes and also that there were fourteen sheets of the 1d. and six 3d. sheets. the envelopes were addressed to the same person, one Trooper W. Higgins!! He concluded his letter by saying --"I would have been delighted to have sent you this material to look at. I wish I had now; but unfortunately I posted it off to a firm in Cape Town a couple of days before I had your letter. Perhaps you may have read in the newspapers that a plane from Johannesburg came down just after 'take off' last May. Although there was no loss of life, all the mail aboard was destroyed. MY STAMPS AND COVERS WERE ON THAT PLACE!!!"

I am still wondering.....

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SALES BUREAU

by Charles Seaton

Dear Members,

During the very pleasant months I have been running the "Sales Bureau", I have looked forward to meeting many of you, through the medium of correspondence.

Somehow, or other, the number of expected purchasers of items in my stock has been small, and from August 1961, the number of buyers has amounted to 40.

Naturally, I always appreciate letters, ordering items, but I also welcome enquiries from any member and I do try and answer each letter as soon as possible. To

the faithful purchasers, may I say, "Thank you!" and to the others, who have not contacted me yet, a wish that I shall hear from you in the future. Bear with me if I am sold out of the item you require, or if I sometimes slip up in some way, but as a voluntary worker for the S.S.C.C. my leisure hours are sometimes limited by overtime, required by my employers.

Sorry the Togo I.D.C. has gone up by 5d. but the prices for Scout and Guide items are rising rapidly in the outside market, and anything having to be replenished in stock is affected by those rises.

With my best wishes to all of you, I look forward to hearing from any of you.

Sincerely,
Charles Seaton

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Our Secretary-General's article on the "50th. Anniversary celebrations of the Flemish Catholic Scout Association" in our last Journal has brought a letter from his Belgium host, Mr Jos. Suy, concerning the Postal Services during 1940 in Belgium. We are very grateful to Mr Suy for the following:-

THE POSTAL SERVICES DURING 1940 IN BELGIUM contributed by Mr Jos. Suy.

The day previous to war breaking out in Antwerp on May 11th 1940, almost every Scout received his SERVICE ORDER. This order, which was in the form of a duplicated (typed) postcard and had, among other things, something to do with the delivery of mail, although no mention is made to this on the card. It was also a permit for Scouts to retain their push-bikes, an important concession, since most of these owned by the civilian population were confiscated by the Army Authorities.

The wording on the card is as follows:-

BADEN POWELL BELGIAN SCOUTS VLAAMSCH VERBOND DER KATHOLIEKE SCOUTS Schuttershofstraat, 18, Arterwerpen

DIENSTBEVEL

Naam, Voornaam

Lidzegel, No V

Volmacht No

Adres :

Distrikt

Groep No

AARD VAN DIENST

onder leiding van:

visa. V.V.K.S.

and the translation is: -

BADEN POWELL BELGIAN SCOUTS
FLEMISH ASSOCIATION OF CATHOLIC SCOUTS
(Address of former H.Q. of District, Antwerp)

SERVICE ORDER

Name and Christian name
Membership certificate No. Authorisation No.
Address
District (County)
Kind of Service *

Visa V.V.K.S.

* This service could be - Air raid precautions, First Aid to wounded, despatching, Letter delivering from the local authorities. In some cases Scouts took over the job of the postmen who were all in the forces.

(He very kindly enclosed one of these cards for me to examine; originally, it was issued to his brother-in-law. These 'Order' cards are now exceedingly rare as the majority were either lost or destroyed after the war ended. On the card are two rubber-stamped 'cancels': one, a double circle mark with Scout badge in centre and 'Vlaamsch Verbond der Katholioke Scouts' between circles and the other, slightly larger with inner and outer circles doubled and Scout badge

in centre; the wording between circles is 'Vlaamsch Verbond Van Katholieke Scouts, District Antwerpen' - both marks are in violet. I will try to illustrate these marks for the next Journal. Editor.)

His brother-in-law was employed in delivery of letters. Since Antwerp was occupied a good week after these orders were issued, all the men between 16 and 35 had to leave Belgium and join the Belgian Army Recruitment Centres. His brother-in-law had to go to Parc des Sports, Toulouse, France, and this is indicated on the obverse side of the card. Mr Suy mentions that he never reached it: many of the Scouts left together on bicycles and in uniform but soon rid themselves of it and they came in the middle of the battles around Abbeyville in France. He goes on to say that no cancellations were used during this short period in May 1940 in Antwerp, and most probably, neither in Malines.

I am certain this interesting information will be of use to those members who include this kind of material in their collections.

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SCOUT PERSONALITIES ON STAMPS (contd) by Stanley K. Hunter

Those who missed my earlier articles on this topic will find details of some of the more famous honorary...and active ... Scout and Guide Leaders in the Journals of March to Sept. 1961.

Please add the following: -

FINLAND: Baron Carl Mannerheim (1067-1951), Marshall of Finland, was an Honorary President of the Finnish Scout Union and was their Patron during his Presidency.

GREECE: King Paul of the Hellenes, (b.1901), is Patron of the Scouts, while Queen Frederica, (b.1917), is Patron of the Guide Movement.

ITALY: King Humbert II, (b.1904), was the "Primo Esploratore d'Italia", while Crown-Prince.

NETHERLANDS: Queen Juliana, (b. 1909), is Patron of the Guides. Prince Bernhard, (b. 1911), as well as being a member of the National Scout Council, is Royal Commissioner of both the Scout Associations. Crown-Princess Beatrix, (b. 1938), became a Brownie in 1946 and a Guide in 1949. Princess Irene, (b. 1939), joined the Brownies in 1947 and the Guides in 1950. Princess Margiet, (b. 1943) became a Brownie in 1950.

PHILIPPINES: Carlos P. Garcia, (b.1896), President of the Republic since 1957, is the Honorary President of the Scouts. He performed the Opening Ceremony of the 10th World Jamboree.

SPAIN: King Alfonso XIII, (1886-1941), was President of the Scouts. Crown-Prince Alfonso, (1907-38), was an Honorary Scoutmaster, while Prince Jaime, (b.1908), Prince Juan, ("The Pretender"), (b.1913) and Prince Gonzalo, (1914-34), all were Honorary Patrol Leaders, and appeared in Scout uniform.

THAILAND: Scouting was founded in Siam by King Rama VI (Vijiravudh), (1881-1925). On his death, he was succeeded by Rama VII, (Praiadhipok), (1893-1941), who became Royal Patron until his abdication. He was replaced by his eldest nephew, who was succeeded by his brother when he was shot in 1946. King Bhumipol Adulyadej, (b.1927), is the present Royal Patron. He is shown in Scout uniform on the 2 Baht value of the 1961 Scout set.

TRAVANCORE: Maharaja Sir Bala Rama Varma, (b.1912), was the Chief Scout of Travancore, now incorporated in the State of Kerala.

U.S.A.: Richard M. Nixon, (b.1913), Vice-President of the U.S.A., 1953-60, was a member of the National Council of the B.S.A. Alan B. Shepard, (b.1923), the space-pilot, joined the Scouts in 1935. He gained his First Class and was a keen climber and hiker.

YUGOSLAVIA: King Alexander, (1888-1934), was Patron of the Movement until his assassination at Marseilles.

I have not listed the actual stamps depicting the various personalities I have mentioned, for a good proportion appear on innumerable issues. If you are stuck, however, please contact me, and I'll supply catalogue numbers.

Incidentally, did you notice that JEAN CHARCOT has been commemorated by a recent issue of French Southern Antarctic Territories?

As I stated in my original article, I would appreciate details of more "Personalities on Stamps". This appeal is specially directed to those living outside the United Kingdom. What famous people in YOUR country have held office with the Scouts or Guides and have been depicted on postage stamps at some time?

(Perhaps some of you can help Stanley in the completion of his article. Editor.)

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The following is a translation of a Czechoslovakian article by one of our members, who for security and international reasons, must remain anonymous. I have endeavoured to follow the translation as best I could. A previous article by our-President on this subject was published in Volume 3, No.1, but that which follows gives some additional information. My grateful thanks to our member.

CZECHOSLOVAK BOY SCOUT STAMPS

Translated from the original by Member ' $\ensuremath{\mathtt{X}}$ '

Before the coup d'etat, a section of the Sea Scouts dealt with the organisation of the preparatory service for the revolutionary change at meetings held at the Czech Yacht Club; it was here that the idea of the issue of the Boy Scout stamps was born.

Two stamps were issued by the Czech Boy Scout Head-quarters with the approval of the National Committee (Service Order No. 324R of the 7th November 1918): the Boy Scouts were commissioned to deliver official correspondence between members of the National Committee, the authorities, the police, etc., during the days of the revolutionary change. By order of the Boy Scout Federation's chairman, Mr Rosler-Orovsky, the proceeds derived from these stamps augmented these services, and were used to assist the poorer Scouts:

the stamps were valid until November 25th. 1918. The Scout post was re-established for one day only - 21st December 1918 - the arrival of President Masaryk.

Letters, designed for local delivery, were taken to the Boy Scouts' Office in Harach Palace, the military School, Parliament House and the Governor's residence in Prague and there stamped - 10 h. stamp for postcards and 20 h. stamp for letters - the cost being paid by the recipient to the Scout delivering the mail.

A week before the Revolution, Mr M. Knapp arranged the printing of the stamps, the 10 h. blue and the 20 h. red: shades varying from bright blue to violet exist for the former and from dark red to rose for the latter. The printing was made from a single plate and the printing and embossing of the design, as well as the 'perforations' were printed in one operation: one cannot really call them 'perforations' since only one stamp was printed at a time, on white, gummed paper; thus no blocks or pairs can exist, neither are there different types as there was only one printing plate for each value. A small number of postcards with a 10 h. embossed stamp in blue were printed on white card. The total number printed has been given as 20,000 stamps, but this is far in excess of the actual number.

The plates and dies used to print the stamps were deposited in the Memorial of Revolt in the National Committee archives: both plates were defaced by cross filing.

In addition to the various shades of each value which was due to mixing the ink and the different application of colours, proofs or "test" prints throughout the whole range of colours and shades have, however, appeared lately. It is assumed they were made after the normal stamps had been printed: original proofs were executed on thin paper having white gum, whilst later proofs are on thick paper with slightly yellow gum. Fakes of proofs are unknown.

Accidentals, i.e. varieties, such as albino, double and blind printings are less frequently found than one would expect for a private, uncontrolled printing.

For cancellation of the stamps en envelopes, a circular metal handstamp was used with the letters N V (parodni vybor, i.e. National Committee) in black or by a rubber handstamp with the legend "Posta shauti/Praha 1918" (Boy Scouts Post Prague 1918) in violet with the date inserted by hand above the year. A two line strike in violet "Dopis od skautu...prevzal...." meaning "letter from Boy Scout.... taken over by...." also appeared on the envelopes. The recipient checked the name of bearer, and returned the envelope to the Scout after either receipting the envelope or signing the Scout's delivery book: these handstamps were deposited in the archives of the Czechoslovak National Committee Workers Association. Examples of original letters are rare items.

The Boy Scout Post was re-established on the day of the arrival of President Masaryk in Prague, on December 21st 1913, between the Railway station, the City Hall, Houses of Parliament and the Castle. 600 pairs of stamps were overprinted, crossways, "Prijezd presidenta Masaryk" from lower left to upper right corner, a red overprint on the 10 h. value and a black overprint on the 20 h. value. Letters were stamped with a two line strike "Dopis od skautu....prijal...." i.e. Letter from Boy Scout.....taken over by..... It is not known where the overprint was applied. The stamps are very rare and it would seem that the overprint typo was destroyed after printing the 600 pairs. Faked examples of these overprinted stamps exist but are crude and can be distinguished by the size and type of lettering used. Envelopes are indeed very rare.

These Boy Scout stamps are not official stamps and are not included in some catalogues: they are described in detail and priced in Michel; Senf only publishes a picture of them with a remark that they are not official postage stamps; Ywert and Scott does not mention them at all, but they are described and priced in the special Czech catalogue.

(The 10 h. and 20 h. stamps without overprint are listed and priced in Gibbons catalogue. I do not know the reason why the overprinted stamps are not included.

Editor.)



THE PERMANENT LIST SERVICE: AN EXTENSION by H. L. Fears

The many months of operating the Permanent List have taught us many lessons, and it is my sincere hope that we shall be able to maintain the Service for a long, long time. As I write, Distribution No. 20 is being prepared, and once again I feel it represents real value for money. But the organisation involved, and the outlay of time and money, produces its many difficulties. Members are spared the cost and trouble of items going astray, being damaged in transit and having to order all over the world. Accounts have to be paid in local currency, and frequently I have to send £50 or more pounds in advance to ensure an order. Did I hear you say you don't already belong? I recommend that you write to me at once, but for a minute just read on.

To extend the Service we are making a number of alterations, and in future the categories will be a little different, viz:-

Cat. A. Members receives one example of each available Scout/Guide F. D. C. plus any special cancels from camps, Kamborees, etc.

- Cat. C. Members not only receives examples as above, but in addition, Registered covers are included. Frequently the Registration label includes the name of the camp, and it is these items which become the most scarce (and expensive) first.
- Cat. X. The new Category. First Day covers of actual Scout/Guide issues only are supplied.

Existing members in Cat. B. may continue, but no new ones will be accepted. It is, of course, possible to enrol for more than one Category, e.g. Cat. A. plus Cat. X., and no additional deposit is required. The deposit, returnable, is 10/-. Still not a member? I suggest you join today.

In future, we shall also have to amend one or two other requirements. If for any reason you wish to discontinue membership of the Permanent List Service, two months clear notice of intention will have to be given, and for that period of time you will continue to receive items on the usual terms. In addition, any items or sets specially ordered and not coming to hand until the end of the two monthly period will still be supplied when available. These rules apply immediately, and I am sure you will agree with them when you think about it. After all, I order covers to help you, the member, and it is no good my going to the railway station to buy a ticket and handing over 20 assorted covers because I have had to keep them on hand and haven't received cash.

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MEMBERS WANTS AND INTERESTS

- No. 477 Richard Best is interested in any souvenir items Wiltshire. and also collects G.B. stamps.
- No. 478 Miss Shirley is specially interested in collect-Robinson, ing mint stamps of Guiding. Also S. Africa. Social work, P.T.A. and knitting.
- No. 479 Detlef Beck collects badges and shoulder flashes canada. from other countries.
- No. 482 Mr E. J. Dieckmann has a secondary stamp interest U. S. A. in that he collects Flowers on stamps. Would anyone like to do some swapping with him?

In the July issue under this heading, I made mention of the publication of a MONTHLY Journal as suggested by one of our members. Let me quote from a letter I have received from Stanley Hunter (Member 53).....

"I was very pleased to see the point of a monthly Journal raised in the current issue. I have always felt that this was the ideal distribution for our Journal...and with our hobby now so fast-moving ...almost essential. Coming down to the practical, there are the points you mention, i.e.



cost of production, distribution and time involved: frankly, I think that those combine to rule out an issue of the existing standard, at least just now. The alternative to remaining bi-monthly is, in my opinion, to issue a bi-monthly supplement, in alternate months."

He goes on to suggest that a 'newspaper-type' publication could be used to fill the gap: it need only be a couple of sheets and would concentrate solely in keeping the more active members right 'on the ball'; it would omit serious studies which would be reserved for the Journal, and could contain information on New Issues, new members, ads. contents of forthcoming P L.D's, etc. Whilst a certain amount of information would perhaps have to be duplicated in the following Journal, the News-sheet would be under a different Editor (thanks, Stanley), and this would give a different presentation: IT WOULD NOT BE, OF COURSE, IN OPPOSITION TO THE JOURNAL: it would simply supplement it and make it of more value to those who require it.

As such a venture would only benefit one section of the Club, he feels it should be financed by that section and could be 'by subscription only'. A feature of this News-sheet would be adverts., which would be charged for and the revenue used to pay for it.

He ends his letter by saying that he thinks the idea would please the majority, it would not be a drain-on the Journal editor's time and would be an added attraction for encouraging members; it would not affect the Club's finances, in fact, under favourable conditions, it may oven assist! "I would be willing to help in this venture and I'm sure others may also".

Thanks, Stanley, for letting me have your ideas on this subject AND, what is perhaps of more importance, for your offer of help.

Before the Officers of the Club make any decision on this, I think it would be fairer to hear the views of other members: would those interested in such a project please drop me a line?

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From our Publicity Secretary, John Hobbs, I have received some information about the Club Packet. The first to go out consisted of 14 books valued at £40.0.9d. containing 354 stamps and 165 covers. This had a sale of £27.12.4d.: commission on sales is 1d. in the shilling and the sum of £2.5.11 went to Club funds.

If any United Kingdom member would like to receive the next packet or have any items for disposal, he will be very pleased to hear from them. You will find his address on the inside of the front cover.

This is one way of disposing of your duplicates and at the same time of picking up some items for your own collection, and our thanks must go out to John for his efforts on our behalf.

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My correspondent who last month gave me the information about the faked cancellations of Afghanistan issue of the 'Girl Scout' stamps has sent me some further information.

The latest example of these "fakes" to appear on the market is easily recognisable: the date is 23.6.61, instead of 23.7.61! I am at a loss to understand the mentality of these fakers who make such silly mistakes; surely they do not think stamp collectors are complete imbeciles!! Admittedly, the spelling of KABOUL is shown correctly, but the Persian characters - please note I referred to Arabic and not Persian in my notes heading 'A Warning' in our last issue, Vol. 6 No. 4, page 82 - are still different from those shown in the genuine one. Incidentally, the envelope has 'First Day of Issue Afghan Scouting' typed in the upper left hand corner, another silly mistake, for, as previously mentioned, the stamps really honoured the Women's Welfare Organ-Another glaring mistake is the width of the panel containing the date: it is nearly %th inch wider!!

I have done my best to illustrate those two faked cancellations (Figs. 2 and 3) and also the genuine one (Fig. 1) in the hope that they will be of use and interest to you and perhaps prevent you from being 'taken for a ride'. (As the draft of the Journal is being sent off to the printers I have received some further information which I will include in the next issue).



I have received a letter from our member Bill Marsh, Member 374, in which he has suggested a club project which may appeal to members. His idea is that small scrap books containing a photograph of members and a short resumé of their philatelic and perhaps their Scout or Guide activities could be prepared and circulated members. These scrapbooks could be confined to zones - United Kingdom, Europe, Asia, U.S. and Canada, etc. It is possible that some members may net wish to participate and in such cases, the person in charge of the zone or group could be notified. Circulation lists could be drawn up and when finished could be returned to the Committee and a new route commenced. He considers postage would not be excessive and in any case, each member would receive some stamps on the package.

Although this project has undoubtedly a lot of merit, it would mean that a member in each zone would have to be responsible for organising the scrapbook and contacting members. If there are any members who would be willing to undertake this project, perhaps they would drop me a line.

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Howard Reeves, Member 411, has written me concerning my editorial in the May issue, which dealt with the rash of speculative and manipulated Scout stamp issues and their miniature sheets.

He writes - "In the past several years, the field of Scout philately has been invaded several times by stamp sets and souvenir sheets which were issued in limited quantities or which were manipulated to bring extra income to the issuing country. Members of the questionable issues have had no postal value, and many have been issued to take advantage of specialists' interest in Scout philately to make unethical profits."

"That there is a great deal of 'fast work' in the philatelic world is a well known fact, and it is not limited to just one topical group, but affects many areas and topics other than Scout philately. Clearly, something must be done to keep the hobby from becoming victimised more than it has already been."

"One solution to the problem might be found in the public commendation of postal directors who keep their nations' issues clean. If a campaign were undertaken whereby philatelic trade papers would publicise letters of commendation written to the 'clean' postal directors, I think that the resulting silent condemnation of the grafters would represent a first stop toward the cleaning up of the philatelic hobby."

"It is quite obvious that something must be done to stop the issuance of spurious Scout philatelic items before Scout topical philately is ruined. More importantly, it will be a sad day for the world when Scouting becomes synonymous with graft, corruption and dishonesty."

This is certainly one way of trying to stop the present flood of material from some of the countries stamp presses, but a great deal rests with each one of us who collects Scout stamps: if none of us were to buy material which does not serve a postal use, then none of this material would be sold!

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Stanley Blunt has passed me a letter he has received from our member, Mrs Destie Holt (Member 150), in which she refers to the passing of an ex member, Mr Frank Jones of Fort Payne, Ala. U.S.A. I have reproduced it as it expresses the sentiments of those of us who knew and corresponded with Frank.

"It is with deep sorrow that I am writing this letter. Yesterday morning I received word from Uncle Bing Crosby that our dear friend Frank Jones had passed away on Thursday, July 12 of a heart attack. Nell, his wife, found him slumped over his beloved Scout work on his desk or table in the basement of their home where he had moved his things to work where it was cool for the summer. He had had a very bad heart for about twelve years besides being very crippled up with arthritis. We will all miss him terribly; we know that he is now resting in peace with no further hours and days of suffering as he knew these past years here on earth. He was a grand fellow and wonderful Scouter. I am very grateful for having had the opportunity and privilege of knowing him if

only for the ten days we worked together at Colorado Springs during the 1960 Jamboree. He has done more for the hobby of collecting Scout stamps, patches, covers, and anything else connected with Scouting than any other person I have ever heard of. No matter to whom I wrote in connection with my stamps and covers, all had had contact with Frank. No matter where we went on the Jamboree grounds, we kept running into men and boys who had either corresponded with or actually knew Frank. He was known far and wide for his interest in Scout collecting and his enthusiasm for the hobby was contageous. I know of dozens of collectors that he actually started with all his wonderful help. No matter what a person wanted Frank usually was able to produce it from somewhere. I will miss him very, very much even though when I said 'Goodbye' two years ago at the close of the Jamboree I really did not feel that I would ever see him again. Will remember him as a true and wonderful friend."

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NEW MEMBERS

Our energetic Club Secretary, Stanley Blunt, sends me the following list of new members to whom we give a very cordial welcome in the hope they will derive pleasure and benefit from their membership.

(* Indicates Junior member)

507	Mr D. Cunningham	188a Rounahay Road Leeds 8. Yorks.
508	Mr R. E. Spence	115 St. Frusquin Street, Malvern, Johannesburg, Transvaal, South Africa.
509	Mrs J. H. Hudak	4628 South Hills Drive, Cleveland 9, Ohio, U.S.A.
510	Miss M.G.Burns	Apr 6, 136 Ann Street, Clarendon Hills, Illinois, U.S.A.
511 *	Robin Mugliston	106 Monkton Street, Ryde, Isle of Wight.
512 *	Philip Jackson	58 Cardigan Avenue, Morley, Leeds. Yorks.

513	John J. Burke	1940 S St SE. Washington 20 D.C. U.S.A.
514	Mr W. L. Thomas	30 Kay Street, Rawtenstall, Rossendale, Lancs.
515	Maj. Gen. L.K. Lockhart	275 Mangorie Road, New Plymouth. New Zealand
516	Mr Fernand Vranckx	40 Guldendal, Mechelen (Antwerpen), Belgium
517	Mr Emile Bodeux	50 Rue Americaine, Bruxelles 5, Belgium
518	Mr A. Dow	P.O.Box 698, Blantyre, Nyasaland
519	Mr William W. Walker	629 West 14th Avenue, Vancouver 9, B.C. U.S.A.
520	Mr R. T. E. Carr	82 Solway Avenue, Cullercoats, Northumberland
521 *	Paul A. Mudie	124 Cliff Rock Road, Rednal, Birmingham
522	S. W. Arthur	60 Hamstead Hill, Handsworth Wood, Birmingham 20
523	Mr D. Beech	Air Traffic Control, Royal Air Force, Akrotiri, B. F. P. O. 53
524	Martin Tobey	1627 55th Street, Brooklyn 4 New York. U.S.A.
525 *	Miss Ann Hay	125 Bramhall Lane South, Bramhall, nr. Stockport, Cheshire
526	Mr F.G.King	11 Peters Place, Northchurch, Berkhamsted, Herts.
527	Sc 19527 Sgt. R. Lachance	3, RCHA, CAPO 5050, Canadian Armed Forces, Germany
528	Mr Howard J. Kaplan	3951, Stone Canyon, Sherman Oaks, Calif. U.S.A.

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Republic of South Africa

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345 Mr P.H.J.Breach To 2 Chapel Close, Gunville, Nr. Newport, Isle of Wight

367 Eigil Krogh To Lillangsvagen 89, Nacka, Sweden

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I hope that both new and old members have found something to interest them in this number. May I again emphasise what I said in the Editorial - more articles and notes are needed, so please do send me something: many of you must be getting a little fed up with reading articles from the same members, issue after issue, but without these regular contributors, I really don't know where we should be! Well, the remedy is in your hands.

Sincerely yours,

WILF NODDER

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MEMBERS WANTS AND INTERESTS

No. 487 - Alastair Keir - is also a collector of badges.
Scotland

No. 492 - James Wilson - also collects stamps from Scotland Br. Colonies.

No. 494 - A.B. Mono Sham - would like to hear from members who are interested in sports, especially Football, Badminton, Netball, etc.

No. 502 - J.T.McAniff, III both are interested in collecting Scout badges.

U.S.A.

- No. 505 Miles McKie is a collector of G.B. and Aden.
- No. 508 Mr R. E. Spence is interested in stamps of S. Africa S. Africa, and 'Ship' stamps.
- No. 512 Philip Jackson is another 'Sports' fan. Yorkshire
- No. 513 John J. Burke is interested in Coins, U.N. U.S.A. stamps, Scout seals and badges.
- No. 519 W.W.Walker is keen on Camp Fire singing.
- No. 524 Martin Torey would like to swap with any member badges from all parts of the world, also Scout belts.
- No. 526 Mr F.G.King is a member of his local Town Herts, G.B. Band and would like to correspond with other members who have a similar interest.

The Membership Secretary is pleased to publish this list of Members' interests, as apart from the collecting of Scout and Guide stamps and hopes, members will make use of this opportunity to start corresponding with follow members who have similar interests.

Their full addresses can be found either in the Membership List or in recent copies of our Journal, or will forward the address if requested.

Start writing now, as with the coming winter months it will create an added activity for you and may be the commencement of a new friendship.

F.S.B.

Scarce Material -- By attending the London Auctions I have been able to supply many members with scarce material at the lowest price available. Members who need specific items are invited to let me know of their requirements so that they can be sought out in the coming season. Some stock of Scout stamps hold - Want lists promptly attended to.

John D. Roake, 41a Baker Street, Weybridge, Surrey

ADVERTISEMENTS

1. Stamps for sale - South Africa 1st. Decimal Issue, S.G. Simplified Nos. 139 to 151. Cat. Value £1.19.1.... Price £2.5.0 mint only (only one set left).

South Africa, as above, short set to 10c. for 6/6d. (limited supply)

- " Prime Ministers, S.G. 73. mint, 1/
 - used 6d.
- " " 1954 Animal Series, S.G.113 to 126, used set 12/6d.

British Postal Orders accepted. Apply R.C. Booker, 2 Bonamour Court, Bonamour Avenue, Durban Natal, Republic of South Africa. Member 315.

- 2. Two Cachets Explorer Post 88 and Troop 88 of Washington D.C. will each sponsor First Day Cachet honouring the Girl Scout on July 24th. Price 25 cents each or five for \$1.00. Send orders to John J. Burke, 1940-S-St. S.E., Washington 20, D.C. Member 513.
- 3. D. Beck, 368 N. P. O., Kitimat, B. C. Canada, Member 479, collects all District Scout badges and crests. Will be pleased to swop Kitimat District badges for any others.

WHO'S WHO. Continued

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(Cover Service) Apply to - Secretary General and MINT STAMPS

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D. Young Esq.

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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. It is also very helpful if you quote your Membership Number. Many thanks.

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From the Acting Editor, Mr H.L. Fears: I am sure that all readers will be very sorry to learn that once again our Editor, Wilf Nodder, has had to enter hospital. We wish him a very speedy return to full fitness, and look forward to seeing him again at the Gilwell Reunion meeting.

It is almost with reluctance that I ease myself into the Editorial Chair (and I am not referring only to the fact that Wilf was able to make-do with a far smaller chair than I appear to need). One hear's the cry of "Too busy" to often to accept it at its facevalue, and I have long been of the opinion that if you want a job done, ask a busy man. As a Club, our's is a very democratic organisation, with many people helping with many jobs. Indeed, we must guard against the danger of "finding" jobs, merely because a volunteer has This time, however, the need is real - we come along. must have an Assistant Editor. Really it is well-nigh impossible for me to handle this job, and for someone to work with Wilf would be a very happy arrangement. Please: could YOU help? It's not too onerous and quite fun providing one is not too rushed. help? Do write and let me know now; I could even form an orderly queue of volunteers - "Shortest on the right, tallest on the left, in two ranks - size!" (Sorry I was being carried back to my R.A.F. days).

For any over-sights, undersights or other omissions in this edition, I grave your indulgence.

REPORT ON FIRST SCOUT STAMPS DISPLAY IN MALAYA

by C.K. Leong, Regional Representative

The Malayan public was able to see for the first time, an exhibit of SCOUT stamps. I have an exhibit of about 12 frames, including first day covers at the recent 6th Penang Stamp Club Exhibition. My main purpose was for the public to be aware of the numerous Scout stamps issued by so many countries, secondly, to get more members for the club, and lastly to get government officials interested in the issuing of Malayan Scout stamps.

The Chief Minister, Dato Wong Pow Nee, (who is also the Chief Scout of Penang, and a philatelist), in his opening speech regretted that there was not yet any issue of stamps in respect of the Malayan Airways and the Boy Scout Movement.

From the Penang Sunday Gazette, there was a column stating an exhibit of Scout stamps in the Exhibition.

With the kind help of the Organiser, H.G. Rodyk, Esq., showing my exhibits during August to many Scout camps, rover moots and the Penang Scout Association. This will naturally result in more letters of enquiries into becoming a member of the SSCC. Anyway there is not yet any local SSCC meeting because our members are scattered all over the country.

I did get a good response for membership and hope to put in a better exhibit in the 10th Annual Selangor Stamp Club Exhibition to be held soon in Kuala Lumpur (the Administration centre of the Government and capital of the nation).

My exhibit managed to get a Certificate of Merit being second in the Thematics and Novelties section. If any Malaysia member is interested in taking over my place, please inform. (I do not have much time to do a good job as Regional Representative, another member will be better.)

(Ed. Well done, Leong. He has taken great pride in spreading the news of S.S.C.C. in Malaysia).

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EXHIBITION IN KENYA

by L.S. Colchester (Member No. 313)

At the 3rd Kenya Wood Badge Reunion, held at Rowallan Camp, Nairobi, Kenya, over the week-end August 25th - 26th, and overlapping with a Commissioners' Course, there was a small display of Scout Stamps, arranged by the H.Q. Commissioner, together with back numbers of the Journal, etc.

The collection, which is now normally housed in the Library of the Nairobi's Baden-Powell House, was begun by the H.Q. Commissioner some 18 months ago solely for the purpose of illustrating the international aspect of Scouting and the importance which so many countries attach to the Movement.

The collection, which does not concern itself at all with "varieties", is still far from complete, consisting of only 240 stamps out of the approx. 300 available, the principal deficiencies being the Siam and some Roumanian sets ... and, of course, Mafeking! Stamps are arranged chronologically, with the countries in alphabetical order under years; they are mounted in 3 picture-frames, 1918 - 1954; 1955 - 1960 (complete); and 1961 ----.

In a country where stamp-collecting is not particularly popular this small display caused quite a lot of interest.

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Dear Members,

I thank you for a grand response to my letter in the September Journal, which unfortunately, in one sense, cuts down the items for sale.

However, the Secretary General has promised to replenish my stock as soon as possible, so there should be a good variety of items in the near future.

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1961	" " (no cancellation	n)	4d	"	4
1961	FORMOSA Cover) Card)	2.	6	the pair	1
1961	AUSTRIA 50 Jahre cancel) Favoriten)	4.	0	the pair	1
1961	SURMAN Guide	7.	3	each	2
1961	TOGO "	9.	8	"	2
1961	B-B Guide Covers	-	9d	"	16
1961	WHITTON Scout Group	1.	0	"	1
1961	V. V. K. S. 50th Anniversary				
	Cover in Flemish	2.	0	"	1
1961	LEBANON Scout (2) Covers	6.	9	"	3

1961 WEST GERMAN "Heinrich" 1961 " "Merchede" 1961 SWEDISH "Sovd" 1961 " "Vising" 1962 Girl Scouts of America 1961 MALAYA 1961 HAITI Overprint 1961 Boy Scouts of America (Meter Stamps)	1. 8 each 1. 8 " 1. 7 " 1. 6 " 1. 6 " 5. 3 " 11. 3 "	6 6 1 1 3 1 1
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CANADIAN GUIDE STAMP DESIGNER

Our Canadian Representative, Mr Edmondson, has very kindly sent along the following report which is reproduced from his local newspaper: -

Stamps Can't Lick Her

That is the newspaper headline about Canada's only woman stamp designer, Mrs Wilfred Bacon, who does most of her commercial work under her maiden name of Helen Fitzgerals.

Stamp designing began quite by accident when she did some lettering for a stamp dealer. She became extremely interested in the beauty of stamps and eventually went to Ottawa and was given two or three subjects for which to submit test designs. Her first design accepted was in 1959 - a stamp commemorating the Associated Country Women of the World. Her next stamp design was the 1960 Girl Guide Stamp, then the 1962 Education stamp and the recent Victoria Centennial Stamp.

Mrs Bacon usually designs stamps actual size because it's difficult to judge the final result otherwise. We must agree that the designs on the above noted stamps are very attractive and are pleased that one of them is in our Scout and Guide Stamps Collection.

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ADVERTISEMENTS

SCANDINAVIAN COVERS FOR SALE

Denmark 1951 Grenaa 5/3d; Rohden Pigespejdas 5/6d; 1952 Aarhus 4/6d; 1955 Aarhus 4/6d; 1959 Ebeltoft 3/6; 1960 Hojbjerg KFUM; Alborg 3/6d each.

Norway 1960 Speiderleiren; NSPF Landleir (Guide) 2/3 each. 1961 Ringsahleiren 2/-.

Sweden 1948 Olofsborgslagret 8/6d; 1955 Vastkust, Tunabergs, Gotlands Norrhoping (Guide) 3/6d each; 1956 Galola,

<u>Sweden</u>

Timrara 3/6d each; 1957 Skara (Guide) 2/6d; Registered 4/6d; 1959 Almo, Rodohaus, Ivo, Floda-Vastgotaresan, Bohus, Annundo, Osterjo, Marsbrand 2/6d each; Ebbe Lieberath 3/6; Also G.B. Pre Jamboree Slogans 1/- each.

Subject unsold. Postage extra. J.J. Bayes, 3 Eversfield Road, Kew, Surrey.

WANTED:

Emblems, badges, scarves, Scout stamps and other Scout material in exchange for Kenya emblems and badges. Also Central African emblems offered in exchange. Write to Arun K. Desai, P.O. Box 10888 Nairobi, Kenya.

Member No. 453 - Mr Bill Turney, 1306 Cottonwood Crescent, North Vancouver, B.C. Canada, writes: I am interested in obtaining a Kudo Horn, possibly from South Africa. I would be willing to purchase it outright or exchange for some other article desired by another member. I am also interested in obtaining stamps both mint and used from Swaziland.

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THAI SCOUT STAMPS Some Notes by Stanley K. Hunter

It is a pity that the 1961 Golden Jubilee stamps were issued in such small format, for much of the detail has been lost on both the Baht values.

Incidentally, in case you get write-up material from the Gibbons' Supplement, you may be interested to learn that the 1 Baht value, (SG 530), was wrongly described in the March Supplement.

The stamp does not depict the Scout headquarters, and actually shows a most interesting feature of Thai Scoutcraft. The "building" is, in fact, a temporary shelter, built by the Thai Boy Scouts when they are camping out. It

is normally made of bamboo and covered with thatch leaves. It is no doubt a more practical proposition in Asia, than the more familiar canvas. I'm sure B-P would approve of the Thai Camp Hut.

For the record, Scouting in Siam started in 1912 through the active enthusiasm of the King, and was officially organised in 1917. Siam was a Founder-member of the International Bureau in 1922, and the National Boy Scouts Organisation of Thailand, under the Patronage of the prosent King, now has almost 60,000 members.

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4th CANADIAN ROVER MOOT

Whilst the Moot did not have a special cancel, a pro-Moot slogan was in use at Montreal. I am indebted to Club Member B. Lamb for this information. During the Moot cacheted covers were despatched from the Moot Post Office, and examples can be secured from the Sales Bureau.



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4th CANADIAN ROVER MOOT
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Congratulations: Club Member No. 394, Mr D.C. Jeffries, is now married. This has involved a change of address; he is now at 11, Craigbrook Avenue, Edinburgh 4, Scotland.

Club member Murray Fried of 25 Gildner Street, Kitchener, Ontario, Canada is interested in exchanging Scout Seals from all countries.

NEW MEMBERS

Normally you would expect to see this list near the end, but as I work through the mound of manuscript of articles for publication (oh yeah!), I keep coming across further details. Therefore, the list. It will he noted how long this is, a sure proof of the growth of the Club and of its universality. We welcome all new members and hope your membership will be profitable.

523	3. 8. 62	Howard J. Kaplan	3951 Stone Canyon. Sherman Oaks, Calif: U.S.A.
J/529		Miss Mary Urban	P.O. Box 18, George, CP. Republic of South Africa,
J/530	14. 8. 62	Alan Jones	20 Andrew Close, Leiston, Suffolk.
J/531	15. 8. 62	Miss J. Satterthwaite	9 Mill Lane, Ness, Wirral, Cheshire.
J/532		Michael J. Woodwards	39 Dudley St. Leighton Buzzard, Beds.
533	17. 8. 62	Miss M. D. Codrington	Tweedside Road, St. Michael, Barbados, West Indies.
534	1. 9. 62	Rev. B. E. Bennett	Downham Rectory, Billericay, Essex.
535		Kenneth Ward	5 Hawksley St. Horwich, Bolton, Lancs.
536		Collins Jr. David W.	119 Whitelands Avenue, Chorley Wood, Herts.
537		David Swan	18 St. John's Road, Redhill, Surrey.
538		Rev. F. J. Bedford	44 Whitmore Road, Beckenham, Kent.
J/539		Ian Balsillie	14 Kings Road, Barnet Herts.

540		W. Stewart Wilson	5 Seafield Crescent, Aberdeen, Scotland.
541	1. 9. 62	Michael J.V. Sandford	c/0 3 English Bridge Court, Shrewsbury, Salop.
543		B. Harlow	3 Ancaster St. Plumstead, London, S.E.18.
544		Tom Baxter	The Priory, Rothwell, Nr. Kettering, Northants.
545	2. 9. 62	Raymond Hilleard	50 Hall Road, Smethwick 41, Staffs.
546		E.D. Stember	1 Holly Mansions, Fortune Green Road, London, N.W.6.
547		A. Mulford	47 Bincote Road, Enfield, Middx.
548		T.K. Ilott	41 Ipswich Street, Stowmarket, Suffolk.
549		J.W. Gibson	98 Forest Glade, Highams Park, London, E.4.
550		R. V. Hosking	329 Brook Street, Menlo Park, Pretoria, South Africa.
J/551	4. 9. 62	Miss F. MacDonald	32 Roberts Road, Aldershot, Hants.
J/552	5. 9. 62	Dennis Comninos	P.O.Box 41, Nelspruit, Transvall, Republic of South Africa.
J/553		Ting Chue Kwang	146-A, Thomson Road, Singapore 11. Malaya.
554		Fr. Luyck	Palinckstr No. 36, Deurne-Antwerpen, Belgium.
555		Johan Saltzherr	Camphuisstraat No. 73, Utrecht, Holland.
557		A.C.M. Van Os	Hemeruslaan, 20 Utrecht, Holland.

J/558		Philip Van Lint	Kasteelstraat 19, Vilvoorde, Belgium.
559		W. Kruiswijk	de Tiendestraat No. 8, Velsen Noord, Post Beverwijk, Holland.
560		Bert Van Dromme	Ameyestraat No. 30, Izegem, Belgium.
561		A. Svanet	Koning Boudewijnlaan 64, Temse, Belgium.
562		Philippe Van Hille	Casinoplein 24, Gent, Belgium.
563		L. Van Bouwel	22 Van de Weyngaertlei, Ekeren 2, Belgium.
J/564	10. 9. 62	Miss Dorothy Elliott	2a Wellfield Road, Streatham, London, S.W.16
565	15. 9. 62	Henry R. Schneider	131 Milburn Drive, Syracuse 7, N.Y. U.S.A.
566		Charles D. Bloch	22531 Kipling Avenue, St. Clair Shores, Michigan, U.S.A.
567	17. 9. 62	James Colin Holt	West House Farm, Albourne, Hassacks, Sussex.
568	22. 9. 62	Miss Rosemarie Boehm	Koenigstr 97, 495 Minden/Westf. Germany.
J/569	24. 9. 62	Miss Linda Smyth	P.O.Box 666, Johannesburg, South Africa.
570	2.10.62	Mrs Edith E. Douglas	P.O.Box 482. Bethel Island, California, U.S.A.
J/571		Tan Chee Kwan	456-A, Jalan Tg. Ahmad. Muar. Johore, Malaya.
572	9. 10. 62	Leonard Fraser Moss	91 MillRoad, Otaki, New Zealand.

573	Reinhold Walter Pfau	433 Mulheim a.d. Ruhr. Oborheidstr 134, Germany.
J/574 11.10.62	Miss Margaret A. Cooper	55 Saughton Mains Ave. Edinburgh 11, Scotland.
J/575	Robert S. Cooper	55 Saughton Mains Ave. Edinburgh 11, Scotland.
J/576 11.10.62	Robert W. Gilmour	629 Greenway Avenue, Parry, Penna. U.S.A.
577 13.10.62	Miss Ursula Izaber	435/ Recklinghausen, Westcharweg 100, Germany.

That's almost 50 new members since the last edition of the Journal. Stanley Blunt has had to work very hard listing them all (to say the least), and now he reminds me that we have urgent need of ANOTHER MAILING SECRETARY. We wish to keep down to about 100 the copies of each issue to be mailed by each Mailing Secretary, and growth of this nature is overtaken our previous resources. Duties would start in January. All expenses covered, of course. Please write to Stanley Blunt about this if you can possibly help. A little practical help is worth a lot of pious sentiment.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

394	D.C. Jeffries	Is now married and lives at 11 Craigcrook Avenue, Edinburgh 4, Scotland.
351	Alan D. Middleton	From Sept. 29th his address will be - Hillbrow, 32 South Park, Sevenoaks, Kent.
281	Horace Cox	Looking for the sunshine has moved to - 127 St. Helens Road Hastings, Sussex
233	P.W. Hellige	Please add "P.O. Box 145" to his Maine, U.S.A. address.

J/360 Lee Yaw Kong

Has resigned his membership as he is leaving his district to travel. But his cousin has taken over his interests.

Journals and correspondence to -

J/360 Siew Guan

P.O. Box 32. Jesselton, British North Borneo.

438 Lauren R. Bradley

Now resides at ...
P.O. Box 1735, Lenox,
Mass. U.S.A.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

I was unable to attend this year's Gilwell Reunion, but I hope many S.S.C.C. members were there and that more recruits have resulted from any Club publicity possible.

The Journal contains much of interest, and it pleases me to road of the way in which Club officials often go the second mile to ensure a first-rate service to members. Good Scouting!

Yours sincerely,

Eric C. Butler Member No. 412

In reading through the Journal I have run across a problem which might be the same as other members in the U.S.A. I note that all items listed for sale by the sales bureau and under advertisements, by those members outside of the U.S.A., are shown in English monetary units. Would it be possible to show the prices quoted in both English funds and U.S.A. currency. Perhaps it would be possible to publish a conversion table, of English money to U.S.A. money, in one of the future issues of the Journal. I believe such quotations would assist members in the U.S.A. in purchasing any of the items listed.

Yours sincerely, Howard J. Kaplan, No. 528 (Ed. Actually we have published a list of this nature before, but I will give the following details as a rough guide to our American friends. However, I have included the letter from Mr Kaplan as a reminder to advertisers.)

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SCOUT STAMP BIBLIOGRAPHY SUPPLEMENT

Compiled by Stanley K. Hunter.

Part I - Stamp Periodicals

GIBBONS' STAMP MONTHLY May 1962
"Stamps of the Month" - (Barbados & Ceylon) Illus.
"An Issue is Born" - (Barbados) Illus.
While all 3 features are of great interest, the article on the "birth" of the Barbados Jubilee issue is extremely valuable.

There is a full-page reproduction of "K.R.B."s pen-&-ink sketch of the original design and other fascinating data.

Scout Periodicals

REVISTA SCOUT DE LAS AMERICAS (Scout Journal of the Americas). 1961 by Lic. F.M. Valadez.

Text in Spanish. Illus. October: North & Central America.

November: South America. Covers, Cancels & Franks.

December: The Caribbean.

This series of articles on the Scout stamps of the Americas is by a SSCC & SOSSI member and must be quite an event in Scout Stamp circles in Latin America.

Part II - Handbooks, etc.

CATALOGO DEI FRANCOBOLLO SPORTIRI. 60/- Illus. Publ: Landman (Italy). Text in Italian, English & German.

This catalogue, while mainly dealing with the theme of SPORT, also lists all SCOUT stamps and many Scout cancels.

(While I have not seen this publication, I understand that the sole-agents in the U.K. are Harris Publications Ltd.)

CATALOGUE PRIX-COURANT DES BOY SCOUTS, etc. 1951. Illus. Publ: Raymond Thill (Luxembourg). Text, in French. (Price not stated).

This must surely be one of the oldest Scout stamp pricelists. It covers two thematic subjects: SCOUTING and Centenaries of the first stamps. Seven pages of text adequately deal with the former, which are priced in Belgian francs.

PHILATÉLIE SCOUTE - HONGRIE

Illus.

by W. Grob-Sigrist (SOSSI). Text in French. 2pp. This leaflet illustrates 15 items of Hungarian Scout philately, most of which are now extremely elusive. (See Jan. 1960 Journal).

PHILATÉLIE SCOUTE - TCHÉCOSLOVAQUIE, etc. Illus. By W. Grob-Sigrist (SOSSI). Text in French. 2pp. 17 items are shown here, all being issued by countries where Scouting is prohibited by the Communists. Czechoslovakia, Roumania, Yogoslavia and Latvia are represented by illustrations of scarce items. (W. Grob-Sigrist tells me that he hopes to devote his third leaflet to the Warsaw Post of 1944).

SCOUT BADGE SERIES No. 21 - Stamp Collector & Philatelist. 2/. Increase in price. (Reviewed Sept. 1961 Journal).

SCOUTS ON STAMPS CHECKLIST - 1961. (U.S.A.) 4 pp.

The current issue of this check list brings it up to the Liberian and Surinam items. A free copy can be obtained from "Boy's Life", New Brunswick, N.J., U.S.A. (Don't forget to enclose a Reply Coupon). (Reviewed Sept. 1961 Journal).

STAMP COLLECTING - MERIT BADGE SERIES (3359) - 1960. US. 35¢ Increase in price. (Reviewed Sept. 1961 Journal). The latest printing of this handbook incorporates the 1960 Golden Jubilee stamp.

SCOUT STAMP ALBUMS

K-LINE SCOUT STAMPS OF THE WORLD ALBUM. Publ. by K-Line Publishing, Inc., U.S.A.

This Album was recorded in the Nov. 1961 Journal. I have now seen sample pages and can confirm that the album is most satisfactory, although, of course it is not cheap. For those interested, I list the prices of the pages, etc.

Pages, incl. 1961 (includes four supplements): = \$7.10 Blank matching pages (per 20): = \$1.00 Scout Binder (green, gold imprinted): = \$5.75 Dust Case (green): = \$3.50

These prices do not include postage.

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GILWELL REUNION 1962

by the Secretary General

First, a quote direct from Gilwell Park:

The Camp Chief has asked me to acknowledge your letter and is very pleased to know that you were happy with the arrangements made for the Stamp Exhibition during the Re-union weekend. From the figures you give, t.-sr was obviously quite an interest from many members present and the Camp Chief has asked me to advise you that he would be quite happy with similar arrangements to be made during the Re-union of 1963.

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The idea of an exhibition throughout the Wood Badge Reunion Weekend was an experiment and all connected with the exhibition concluded that the results were very heartening indeed. For the record, there were 564 visitors, and we enrolled 18 new members. That alone would be sufficient, but when you consider that at least one out of every four Scouters present now realises the association between stamps and Scouting. I am sure the seeds of future growth have been sown.

Club Member R. WELLSTED kindly loaned frames and I took for display items from my own collection and others loaned by ROY RHODES. I arrived on Friday evening, and made my way to the Swan Hut, in which the Exhibition was to be held, and in which I had to sleep for security reasons. Hardly had I got myself installed than a visitor, but I soon learned that as Exhibition organiser one's privacy had to be sacrificed. I talked stamps over meals, at past midnight, and even whilst disposing of tea-leaves.

We were actually "on show" from 10.30 a.m. on Saturday until 4.30 p.m. on Sunday, and from comments made it is quite obvious that many Scouters were interested. Looking ahead, however, we have the following suggestions:

- (1) An annual display at Gilwell during the Wood Badge Reunion weekend.
- (2) This display would include facilities for new members to join, but from an analysis of attendances this year, we can ease the duties of organisers and allow them (or him) more time to take part in the other activities of the weekend.
- (3) A meeting of Club-members only would be included, with a cup of coffee, a chance for "member to meet member" and an opportunity for swapping.
- (4) There were many requests this year for something to buy associated with the Exhibition. We are looking into the question of labels for next year.

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ADVERT: Club Member A. Z. Gapoor of PLN Leonora Road,
West Coast, Demerara, British Guiana, South
America, says "I would like to have friends
from anywhere who-would like to exchange stamps
in a large amount, shoulder tapes and badges."
Interested? Write direct.

Several members have written recently on the same topic: the provision of details regarding Scout/Guide issues during the year. I interpret these suggestions correctly, members would like, as a regular feature, details of such issues on a fairly detailed basis, both as a check-list and for writing-up purposes. I could envisage details including Country, date of issue, values in set, with description of designs, colours, etc., numbers issued and varieties plus perf. case of a Jamboree issue, the details would include place of camp, numbers attending, nationalities represented. outstanding guests, and so on. A set in honour of the 50th Anniversary would give a very



by deputy stand-in, H.L.F.

brief outline of Scouting history in the country in question.

All right, we are agreed that such a regular feature would be appreciated by all. I can imagine the compilation of the information becoming quite a pleasant task, with a little research. But we need a volunteer to do this: could be the same chap (or chapess) as the assistant editor or someone quite different. You would like to have a go? Good Show. Just send me a note and I will record your help for posterity. Please don't leave it all to the next man.

1919 JAMBOREE SONG

By W.H. Knight

Recently a fellow member of The Redhill Philatelic Society came across a postcard in a collection that he had purchased and, as he knew that I was interested in the movement, he has given it to me. This card was produced by the Birkenhead Advertiser in 1919 for the 'Coming-of-Age' Jamboree at Arrowe Park and has the Song of the Jamboree printed upon it surrounded by a red line with a Scout badge at one end and a large red arrow across the top. Is anything known of this postcard? Was it an official card printed at the request of the B.S.A.? It is an unusual card so unfortunately does not have the camp cancel. Perhaps another member has a similar card and can give some information upon it?

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INTERNATIONAL SHRINE AT MAFEKING?

I am taking the liberty of quoting verbatim the following extract from a letter sent by Club Member Rev. A.G. WHYE of New Hinksey Vicarage, Oxford:

"Re article on page 84 of July Journal. Dr Freund may be interested to know that only yesterday I read in the Johannesburg 'Sunday Times' of 29 July 1962 'Mrs G. H. Clark, sister of Warner Goodyear, the world's first Boy Scout, is still in business here. ' (Mafeking). It is in an article from Mafeking in which two publicity experts from Johannesburg have suggested to the Town Council that Mafeking be made an 'international shrine' of Scouts and Guides. Personally, I doubt whether the idea will take on; I cannot imagine that the S. A. Government, with its 'apartheid' policy, will look with favour on a movement in which there is no distinction of The article goes on to emphasise the ideal surroundings of Mafeking for camping, etc., but again I wonder whether Scouts and Guides from all parts of the world would be welcome!"



By Howard L. Fears

I was very pleased to meet so many Club members at Gilwell. All other things being equal, I hope to represent the Club at the following events next year:-

- Belgium Scout Stamp Exhibition in Brussels next May (special stamp issue anticipated).
- Vienna, Austria next May, flying on from Belgium.
 I have been asked to accept nomination for
 Presidency of the Austrian Scouts' Stamp Club.
- International Week-end, Gilwell Park.
- Wood Badge Reunion Week-end, Gilwell Park.
- World Jamboree, Greece 1963. I have received an official invitation from the organisers to undertake the arrangements for a Scout Stamp Exhibition at Marathon. If I am able, I have agreed to help. Club Member MARTIN MILLS has volunteered to assist anyone else able to help? This is an opportunity of a lifetime. Please advise me at once if you have any ideas.
- Annual Club Meeting at B-P House next Spring.
 Details later.

CHECK-LIST Early next year we will release the revised Check-List. Our President, Roy RHODES, is undertaking this, and I understand that a separate section for dubious issues may be included.

GENERAL SPRY, our Vice-President, was in England recently in connection with a meeting of the International Committee, and I had the pleasure of meeting him and Mr TOSSIJN from Belgium at B-P House.

SCOUTING SCOOP The Berkshire International Camp was held FOR S.S.C.C. at Windsor Great Park, Berkshire (England) between August 4th and 11th 1962. 1,600 Scouts from 13 Countries were in camp, and the Chief Scout visited on Monday, August 6th. Club Member D.H. GOULD was at the camp, and during the afternoon of the Opening Day he telephoned me to report a very unusual circumstance at the Post Office.

Normally, Registration Labels would show the name of the nearest town, in this case Windsor, and as no special cancel would be used, there would be no proof that a letter had been posted in the camp or at any other postbox in the Windsor area. Mr GOULD, however, noticed that blank Registration labels were being used, simply bearing, in blue, the capital letter R and a number. At the right-hand side of this is a clear space, and in this was written by the camp P.O. clerk "B.I.C. WINDSOR BERKS", in ink. B.I.C. stands for BERKSHIRE INTERNATIONAL CAMP. So I count this as a genuine Scout item. But it is only material sent by REGISTERED POST which counts. Enough covers have been secured for every Permanent List member who takes Registered items, and there are a very few over. So if you want one, write at once to me. I mean at once, because once gone there cannot be anymore. And our particular thanks to Mr GOULD.

FINALE The editor's chair has grown a little tight around my nether regions, so I will vacate it. For any mistakes and omissions in this issue I ask your pardon. I know that you will join with me in looking-forward to the active return of Wilf NODDER. As a quick round-up, I have also mentioned three vacancies, the filling of which will help us to maintain or extend our Services.

Lastly, I have altered the order of items a little. Also, there is still an urgent need for contributions for the future issues - please put pen to paper if you have anything at all to report. If you have any comments about coming events, do drop me a line.

Before the next issue appears, we shall have celebrated Christmas - and I use the word "celebrate" in its religious sense not thinking of Christmas Pud, brandy sauce and all the rest of the usual over-indulgence. From all Club Committee members and officials, a very sincere Christmas Greeting and I, personally, look forward to meeting many of you in the New Year, 1963.

Au Revoir,

HOWARD L. FEARS

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