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Well, I suppose the Summer is over now, assuming that we did have one this year here in England! The only sun that I saw was abroad when your President and I were basking in the Italian sun!

And what does this issue bring; FOUR pages of illustrations (mainly because the plates missed the deadline last time) and one of them a whole page enlargement of a very rare item from the Sibiu Jamboree in 1932 in Roumania, including a photograph of the camp badge that was worn on the uniform of those attending. This item comes from the collection of FREDY SCHERB in Switzerland, and I am grateful to him for making the photo available.

The Belgian item is from the BENELUX society, to whom I send grateful thanks, and is of the rare INTER-SCOUT LIEGE cancel that was described and illustrated by a small fragment about a year or so ago.

The third cover to be illustrated has an amusing history. For a couple of months this summer BILL BOURKE was whetting my appetite by saying that he was arranging to secure a registered cover with what appeared to be a large B-P head Mafeking cancelled with the first day of issue postmark. At a recent Club meeting Bill built up our appetites again - and then produced the cover shown with the Ramboree cancel, and when you consider it, it fits the description does it not?

The next ROLAND HOUSE meeting will be on Saturday, October 30th at 2 p.m. or as soon afterwards as the President can make it (Local joke only) so if you are going to the last night of "Gang Show" you can combine the two events. We were more than pleased to see one of our members from S. Rhodesia last time, and there may be another member from abroad this time.

Have you ordered your Club Catalogue yet? Do so today and benefit from the pre-publication rates! Orders to the Secretary-General.

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#### FROM THE EDITOR'S IN-TRAY

by WILF. NODDER.

My grateful thanks to ...

- ... FRANCISCO VALADEZ (Member 59) for sending me copies of the monthly publication "REVISTA SCOUT DE LAS AMERICAS". Included in these is information about the Pan-American Jamboree held at Rio de Janeiro for which a special stamp was issued; although I have seen no details of it in the British philatelic press as yet, it has been distributed via the Club' Permanent List Service. There are also short articles by FRANCISCO on the Golden Jubilee stamps of Nigeria, the recently issued stamps of Jordan and the three Scout stamps issued by Brazil since 1954. Incidentally there are also details of the World Bureau and a photograph of our Vice-President, Major General D.C. Spry. I, for one, appreciate the kindness of our member for regularly sending me copies of the R.S.A. (and also those of the Assistant Editor who gets regular copies of the same magazine.)
- ... JAMES AICKEN (Member 778) for his letter about the articles and items in the Journal that appeal to him. He is not overinterested in Scout labels nor in cancellations although he finds reading about them quite interesting; it is articles on the stamps themselves that he prefers and he ends by saying how much he looks forward to receiving each issue of the Journal. I have no doubt there are quite a number of members who prefer items on stamps which should mean that the new catalogue by our member A.H. NICHOLSON should prove to be a 'best seller'.
- ... HOWARD KAPLAN (Member 528) for sending me a quiz on Scouts on stamps which he put together and which I have included on the Junior Page in lieu of my usual article. Adult members may like to test their knowledge and I would suggest they do so without reference to any catalogue. He also mentions he has acquired a set of Scout 'stamps' about which he would like information. It consists of two stamps, one green and white and the other maroon and white, both overprinted in black ""FEW DE CAMP" and ARENES DE LYTECE": the only printing on the stamps that he can see is " Eclaireurs de France, Paris", and the design shows what appears to be three Boy Scouts, a camp fire and an air-plane overhead. From his description they could be from the Scout seals of France issued in 1938, values 50c, 1f, 1.50f, 2f, and 5f, overprinted in 1939 and illustrated in Thorsen's book "Boy Scout Fund Seals and Camp Post Seals". Any comments on this, please?

- ... HIRAM COHN (Member 305 for kindly sending me an illustrated cover bearing a special cancellation consisting of Hebrew, Arabic, and English characters. The latter are not sufficiently clear for me to decipher, but the wording on the cover includes, inter alia, "50 years of Jewish Scouting" and the date, 9 -13. 8. 1965, and is an official cover issued by the Israel Boy and Girl Scout Federation. The cancellation also shows what seems to represent a tent with the Scout and Guide badges superimposed. If I am correct in saying it is a cancellation used at a Jamboree or camp, perhaps a member will let me know where and for what it was used?
- ... My old friend BJORN HERMOND (member 213) for posting me a cover from the Svenska Scoutforbundet camp at Stegeborg, held from 30th July to 9th August, which he attended. Is there any significance in the use of the word "lagren" instead of "lagret" or "lager" in the cancellation, or was it an error of spelling for the more usual work "lagret"?
- ... The General Secretary for passing me on (a) a copy of an Austrian Scout Magazine he had sent him. Here the language difficulty prevents my being able to give a translation of the contents; by reading between the lines it would appear there is an account of the collections of some of the personalities who exhibited at WIPA I see the names of our members FREDY SCHERB and WALTER GROB-SIGRIST mentioned a listing of recent Scout stamps, Austrian, German and Swedish Scout cancellations and a price list of Scout stamps and covers, and (b) a copy of the ECHO, the Bulletin du Club Philatelique Scout Benelux, which contains offers of Scout material, details of new issues and a supplement by Fr. LUYCKX, with illustrations and suggestions on how to lay out Scout stamps and covers on album leaves.

Congratulations to our Belgian members for producing such a good publication.

... MURRAY FRIED (Member 388) for letting me know of his intention to publish a list of Scout seal collectors in the world who have 500 or more different seals. Would those members who have such a collection and who have not yet contacted him, please write him direct at 25, Gildner Street, Kitchener, Ontario, Canada, stating the approximate numbers in their collections. The list will ultimately be published in the Journal.

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(No Presidential Notes this month, so instead I include an article by Wilf Nodder on varieties of Scout and Guide stamps ......JDR.)

#### SCOUT AND GUIDE STAMP VARIETIES

#### Collated by the Editor.

The recent issue of DUBAI which rather belatedly commemorated the 11th World Jamboree - produced two varieties on the 40NP value; these were (a) a complete sheet of 50 stamps which has the entire olive coloured portion of each stamp shifted 3/16 inch downwards and (b) a second complete sheet with a similar kind of shift but of % inch, both sheets being imperforate. A third variety can be found on the 5 NP value: in this case, the turquoise coloured portion of all the stamps on the sheet of 50 has been omitted. Again the sheet is imperforate. Opinion is that all these items are really printers' waste. I have no doubt that the shift found on the two sheets of the 40NP was due to carelessness on the part of the printers when lining up the sheets as they were being passed through the machine the second time. In the case of the 5NP stamps it is obvious that the sheet was not passed through the machine when the 'vignette' was in use.

The 1938 Olympic set of LUTHUANIA, overprinted for the National Scout Jamboree provides two varieties which justify the use of the term, both being on the same value, i.e. 60c + 15c, brown. Firstly, the circle on the upper left portion of the design is complete on all stamps on the sheet of 100 except on No. 89 where the circle is not carried through the middle of the vertical lines. A total of 50,000 stamps were overprinted; therefore the maximum number of copies of this variety that could exist is 500. It is known in mint condition as well as on covers from this Jamboree. Secondly, stamp No. 61 on the sheet has a clearly defined comma between the 1 and 9 of 1938 and appears thus 1,938. Again only 500 examples could possibly exist.

The following list includes some other minor varieties, the position on the pane or sheet being given where this is known-1. ROUMANI (4 lei val (1931)) "doctor' blade" flaw.

2. LITHUANIÀ (1938 set Printéd on brown or yellow-brown paper instead on white.

- PHILLIPINES (a) (2c val 1948) "Broken nose" variety. 3.
- (b) (1955 issue) i) broken last 'E' of 'JAMBOREE' of overprint.
  - ii) broken A' in same word.
  - (c) 1961 overprint. broken 'J' of 'JAMBOREE' of overprint.
- AUSTRALIA (21/2d val. 1948) several minor varieties. Most promi-4. nent is "gash on arm" stamp No. 1 in bottom row of certain panes having imprint.
- IRAN (a) (1956 issue) .. extra line above first Arabic character. 5. (b) (1957 issue) .. watermark sideways.
- 6. BRAZIL (1960 Issue) .. white spot on lower side of 'A' of 'AEREO'
- 7.
- HAITI (1961 set of 3).. overprint shifted about 6mm to left. LIBERIA (5c val.1961).. spot on left eye (see SSCC Journal, 8. January, 1963)
- PARAGRAY, 1962 (a) broken frame, 0.20G value 9.
  - (b) circle in frame 0.10G value
  - (c) double dot and vignette shift upwards, 0.25G.
- 10. LEBANON, 1962 (a) extra 'O' below Arabic value 5 of 15P. Once per sheet of 50.
  - (b) double printing of word LIBAN at bottom of 20P value.

Of the varieties that can be found on cacheted covers, two that are worth recording are (a) for the 2nd Pan-Arab Jamboree at Aboukir, some of the covers were printed with, inter alia, "ABUKIR 52.7.56", instead of "ABUKIR, 25.7.56" at the bottom left and some envelopes which were sent to the Jamboree were used before the error was noticed and prior to a new batch, hurriedly printed, could be delivered. It has not been recorded how many first day covers with this error were used, but such covers are difficult to come by. (b) For the 5th Pan-Arab Jamboree in Morocco, many different illustrated covers were used but a considerable number of those purporting to be 'first day' can be found hand-stamped 9. 8. 62, 10, 8, 62 and 12. 8. 62, those bearing the date 8. 8. 62, which was the day of issue of the stamp being in the minority: actual 'first day' covers are therefore scarce.

Acknowledgment is made to SHELDON LEVY from whom I have obtained most of the above information ..... W. N.

In conclusion it is good to be able to pay tribute to the way the Post Office, so often criticised, handled the camp's mail from the point of view of collectors. Coming at a time when there were thousands of visitors in the area to increase the volume of mail, there are very few items from the Ramboree which have not a good strike of the camp cancel - as I pointed out in a letter of appreciation to the Head Postmaster " - the more noteworthy considering there was only a single special handstamp and that the camp must have led to a great deal of extra work at an already busy time."

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JAMBOREE CYMRU 1965. In the week immediately following the Ramboree the Welsh Jamboree was held at Wynnstay Park, Ruabon, Denbighshire. Its numbers were greatly expanded from the original limit set, until some 3,000 were in camp for the Opening. It had early been stated that there would be no special cancel, but hearing of these numbers I became nervous that there might have been a change, or perhaps be a special registration label. I accordingly had a registered cover sent off from the Camp Post Office - but it has only the local Ruabon cancel and label.

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#### NORTH-EASTERN GET-TOGETHER.

THE TIME: A Saturday afternoon/evening in October or November 1965 THE PLACE: 58 Sea View Drive, Scarborough, Yorks.

THE HOST: Reg Morris (Member 465)

ARE YOU INTERESTED? The drop a line to Reg. Morris indicating a preference as to date. You're welcome to stay overnight, although if the response is overwhelming you'll need to sleep on the floor! Or why not bring the wife and spend the weekend in Scarborough! Hotel/Guest House accommodation can be arranged for you.

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How about it northerners? If there is a goodly attendance promised, some of the Londoners may be able to come up and meet the northerners. By the way, I hear that already half the published copies of Reg's book about Greece have been sold, so if you want one you had better write today. 3/- post paid; orders to Reg. direct please.



Most items offered in the August Journal still available -  $$\operatorname{WRITE}$$  TODAY !

CHARLES SEATON, 20 Lytherton Avenue, CADISHEAD, MANCHESTER.

CHANGES of ADDRESS (Continued from page 191) From To				
447	Mr. George Oue	25 La Gauchetiere S, E, Monteal 1, P.Q. Canada.	G. P. O. $\overline{Bo}x$ 1964,	
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150	Mrs. D.C. Hold			
157	Mr. G. Diachenko	Should read 1025 North Chicago Ill. 60622, U.S.	Rockwell St, .A. (not West as hitherto)	
757	Rev. John Brady	4715 Cumberland Ave, Chevy Chase 15, Md, U.S.A.	1500 Forest Glen Rd, Silver Springs, Md, 20910, U.S.A.	
705	Mr. N.L. Feest	1120 Elizabeth St, Pasadena, Calif, U.S.A.	1327 Neola Street, Los Angeles, Calif.09941, U.S.A.	

# SOME NOTES ON THE MAFEKING STAMPS AND POSTS - Collated by Wilf Nodder and continued from Vol.9, No.4 page 137.

As mentioned in our last Journal, I am concluding this series by giving some information about the quantities of stamps that were overprinted and details of the 'cracked' or 'broken' plate variety as it should more correctly be called, of the 3d. B-P large stamp. I have quoted S.G. Part 1 catalogue numbers and not those from the Simplified Catalogue which makes no mention of the varieties.

S. G. No.	<u>Value</u>	<u>Number</u> <u>Printed</u>	<u>Varieties</u>
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	1d on ½d 1d on ½d 3d on 1d 6d on 3d 1/- on 4d 1d on ½d 3d on 1d 6d on 2d 6d on 3d 6d on 3d	7680 5280 6000 840 1440 6000 1800 1200 1440 3600	) S.G.1 to 5 - )  No comma after ) 'Mafeking' )  S,G,6a) surcharge S.G.9a) inverted. S.G.7a) Surcharge S.G.9b) double.
11	1/- on 4d	2320	S.G.11a - Surcharge & overprint double. S.G.11b-Surcharge & overprint triple. S.G.11c-Double surcharge, one inverted.
12 13 14 15 16	3d on 1d 6d on 2d 1/- on 6d 1/- on 6d 2/- on 1/-	1800 1200 1440 240 570	
17 18 19	1d pale blue ) 1d deep blue ) 3d pale blue )	9476	S.G. 23 - reversed design. S.G.19 to 22
20 21	3d deep blue ) 3d pale blue )	6072	imperf. at bottom S.G imperf.
22	3d deep blue )	3036	between horizontal pair.

(Note: - the numbers that exist of the above varieties have never been officially quoted).

Now let us look at the 'Broken' plate variety on the 3d. B-P stamp. It has been assumed by quite a number of noted philatelists that, because there were two plates of the BPP stamp, first that of the smaller size stamp, S.G.19 and 20, and then the larger one, S.G.21 and 22, the former plate must have been the one which was broken thus necessitating the manufacture of a second one. This is incorrect: the plate of the smaller size stamps was never broken during the period the stamps were being printed. According to Dr. FREUND, this fact was confirmed by Mr. HOWAT. As is now known, the smaller stamp was issued on April 7th, and the 1d. and 3d. larger head, three days later. A trial printing of the 1d. stamp in the same frame size as the small B-P stamp had not shown up the design sufficiently well, so it was decided that both values should be of the larger frame size, and this led to the preparation of the second, 3d.plate.

It was during the printing from this latter plate that Mr. D. TAYLOR, the photographer, who was also directly concerned with the production of the stamps had an accident - he dropped the plate, thereby breaking it across the lower half. It has been stated that this was done deliberately in order to create a variety; in fairness to all concerned with the production of these stamps, I feel we should consider the circumstances - firstly, the conditions under which they were manufactured, that is during heavy bombardments and under very trying conditions: secondly, would anyone in his right mind try to break something which had undoubtedly taken some time to prepare, in order that the whims of stamp collectors could be satisfied, bearing in mind that at the beginning of the century, collectors were by no means so 'variety conscious' as they are now and furthermore, that few, if any varieties were then deliberately 'prepared for the collector', and thirdly, it would have been disastrous if , whilst attempting to 'create a variety', the plate had been smashed beyond repair, as well it might have been! Taking all these circumstances into consideration, I, for one am prepared to accept the 'broken' plate as being the result of an unfortunate accident.

The break in the plate was such that it was still possible to insert it with its printing papers in the printing frame and for both to be held firmly in place so that further printings could be made, the stamps affected being chiefly those in the middle row. The 'break' produces a line on the following stamps: -

(From extreme bottom, partly through perforations. (a) Row 2. No. 1 - ((in the majority of cases the line is 'removed' (by the perforations.) (from bottom left corner sloping upwards to bottom

(b) Row 2, No.2 - (right of design.
(c) Row 2, No.3 - from bottom right of design across stamp.
(d) Row 2, No.4 - sloping upwards across lower portion of design.
(e) Row 3, No.1 - from top left corner sloping upwards and finally 'removed' by perforations.

Thus there are three different major varieties, (b), (c), and (d) which can readily be recognised and two minor ones, (a) and (e), which, unless in a vertical pair and having the sheet margin attached, are not quite so prominent.

Another point also emerges: when the two pieces of the broken glass plate were fitted in the frame, they did not fit neatly together the whole length of the break which is the more pronounced on Stamp No. 4, Row 2. Examples of the varieties also exist which show a slightly wider gap on stamps on the right side of the sheet and this led collectors to assume that the plate was first cracked and that the thicker line was the development or opening out of this There have in the past been many specialists who have theorised over how these varieties came about - some considered the glass plate first cracked and then broke, others thought that after it had cracked and broken it had been rejoined, presumably with an adhesive. It must be remembered that the glass used for photographic plates over sixty years ago was different from its present day counterpart and would assuredly have broken and not cracked or splintered when dropped.

It may not be generally known that not only are there varying sizes of the large B-P stamp, but that the broken plate variety can be found on each size. There was, however, only one plate prepared and used to print them. The frame of the 'normal' stamp is 24mm by 21 mm whilst that of the abnormal measures 23 mm by 21 mm, being caused through shrinkage of paper which was damped during printing. The width, as will be seen, is the same in both cases, since paper only shrinks in one direction.

The question of how many 'broken' plate varieties exist is a matter for conjecture. Dr. FREUND has been unable to obtain any official information about quantities, but one source has stated that only five sheets were printed after the plate was broken, but the quantities that exist seem to belie this conjecture. It needs someone to collate details of all known stamps to establish how many there were. Why they have not attained catalogue ranking is perhaps understandable because of the controversies that were prevalent at the time of their issue; their rarity is, however, approaching that of the 'reversed design', imperf examples of the 1d. stamp, and the "double-print" of the 3d.

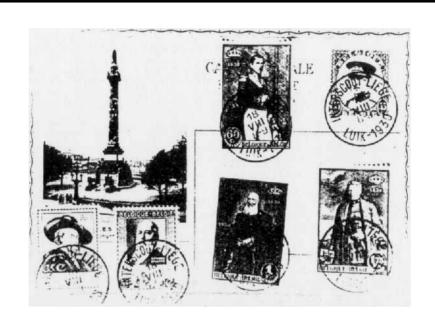
This concludes the series. Any comments on what has been written will be published in future issues of the Journal. Do let me hear from you, won't you?

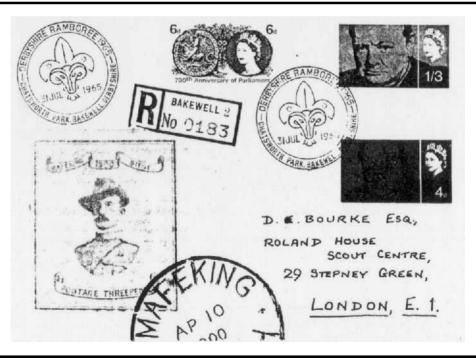
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As a round off to the above, I am giving the valuation and prices realised at Harmers Auction Sale held in New York last March, of a few examples of the 1d 'Cyclist' and the 3d. B-P stamps from information sent me by our member Milton ROGERS and which I am sure will be of interest. The prices are shown in dollars, V...valuation, R..realisation, and I have given a rough equivalent, in parentheses, of the latter in English pounds:

- (a) 1d on piece, with cancellation dated MY 11 1900, very fine, V...\$45: R...\$47.50 (£16.)
- (b) 1d, ditto, dated MY 10 1900, V...\$45: R..\$52.50 (£17 $^{1}/_{2}$ )
- (c) 3d small, on piece, dated MY 11 1900, fine. V..\$65: R..\$(£22).
- (d) 3d. ditto, dated AP 11 1900, perf. cut into at right, fine, V...-: R..\$60. (£20).
- (e) 3d small, marginal strip of four, bottom row, on cover with clear cancellation dated AP 13 (3 inverted) 1900, to Bulawayo, Rhodesia, with "Passed Press Censor" in purple and backstamped. V... -: R..\$450 (£150).
- (f) 3d, large, on piece dated MY 17 1900, very fine, V..\$100: R..\$100 (£33).
- (g) 3d. large, light shade, dated MY 12 1900, right bottom perf. rounded copy well centred, 'broken' plate variety (row 2, No. 4), V.. \$100.: R.. \$120. (£40).

Milton mentions the items were purchased by dealers, so that to the figures quoted should be added a further 10% to 15% to obtain the prices collectors would have to pay. From this it will be seen that they are higher in the U.S.A. than in the U.K. (See also the new S.G. prices in "New Issues and Market Trends".)









by Howard J. Kaplan

Here's a quiz on "Firsts on Scouts on Stamps", test your knowledge and see how you score - 7 correct is good, 10 correct is expert, and 12 correct, you're a specialist.

- What country issued the first airmail letter sheets (aerogramme) using a Scout stamp?
- 2. Many countries have issued stamps which picture Boy Scouts but which country was the first to issue a stamp with the picture of a Boy Scout on it?
- What was the first country to issue a set of triangular stamps 3. in honour of the Boy Scouts?
- 4. We have all come to know imperforate stamps but which country issued the first Boy Scout imperforate stamps?
- Lets not forget the Girl Guides what country was the first to 5. picture a Girl Scout on its stamps?
- In what year did the united States issue its first stamp in 6. honour of the Boy Scouts?
- What country issued the first set of stamps honouring a Girl 7. Scout activity?
- Scouts on stamps have become a common sight but can you recall 8. what country issued the first set of Scout stamps depicting an actual Scout activity?
- 9. What country had the honour of issuing the first stamp which showed a picture of Lady Baden-Powell?
- To date there have been eleven Scout World Jamborees but can you recall which country issued the first set of Scout stamps in honour of a World Jamboree?
- 11. We all know what the common government postcard looks like but do you know which country was the first to issue a postcard with a surtax for the Boy Scouts?
- 12. Se-tenant means, two or more stamps joined together having different colours, denominations, surcharges, overprints or designs and purposely printed this way. Now which country issued the first se-tenant Boy Scout stamps?

(Answers are given on page 188).

#### RESEARCH - AND YOU

#### by BILL BOURKE.

The facts and stories behind the things we collect are something we all need, if our collection is not to be a mere accumulation and we are to get the most out of it in interest and enjoyment. This applies to whatever we collect - mint stamps, covers, cancels, labels, or any combination of them, and we all do research when we try to find the information we want. This is something the Club tries to make easier. The Club Catalogue soon to be published, with its exhaustive information about anything that can claim to be a Scout or Guide stamp, will be a great help - but queries and uncertainties there will still be, and it is with these we hope to try and deal.

You may remember that at our Baden-Powell House Meeting I was appointed to the rather nebulous office of Research Chairman. Now we have evolved a Research Committee, on which have agreed to serve Messrs. Michael Berry, Len Bowen, Peter Duck, Howard Fears, A.H. Nicholson and Roy Rhodes (not quite the thing that alphabetical order should put our Worshipful President last, but there it is!)

It is hoped to deal with various topics in turn, circulating information amongst us and discussing its implications, then probably checking it with others, the object in every case being to produce as full and authentic version as possible and then publish it. One idea of my own is that we should try to do this with all the "Classic" subjects such as the Czech Scout post of 1918, the "Wild Tigers", the 1937 Indian Rocket Posts, all of which have been written about, but in various places and with certain gaps, publish our version is the Journal and at the same time produce extra copies of those pages, which new members could acquire instead of chasing back numbers, and which could in time build up a reference book.

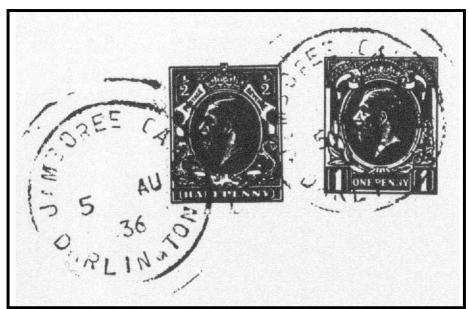
Subjects I propose to tackle first include the 1918 Czech Scout Post and the British Scout Camp Posts between the wars (especially at Arrowe Park in 1929 and the World Moot at Monzie in 1939, but also Raby (i.e. the "Darlington" Camp), and Mount Edgcumbe - and of course any others!). What I want to ask all members, in the first place, to do to help is this: - (a) let me know details of any of the proofs or colour trails of the Czech stamps you have or know of, describing the colours as fully

and accurately as possible - and whether they are on the softer paper (which appears thinner than the other and does not take the embossing well), with dull surfaced gum: or the harder paper (which seems thicker and takes the embossing well), with shiny gums - i.e. paper and gum similar to the issued stamps. The other thing, (b) is to let me have details of all covers, cards, etc., known or believed to have been posted at any of the British camps mentioned - with "all marks", that is literally everything marked on it, even pencilled notes, the addresses on front or back, and of course particulars of the stamps and postmarks of all kinds. It is frequently the little secondary marked that may provide the clue to the mystery (and there are a good many at the moment.)

Another function we hope to fulfil is to help members with queries, or if a member proposes to write an article, etc., either for this Journal or some other, to vet it as to the facts - which may help ever having to write something disagreeing or disproving! So, sticking my neck out, I invite anyone to write to me with any queries of this kind, which I will endeavour to solve with the help of others of the Research Committee. I do hope, though, that no-one will write and ask for "all the known facts concerning the Scout Posts of ....". The answer there would have to be to refer him to an article or book in the first instance (but if you want such a reference, by all means ask). There is just one thing - I fear I must ask you to contribute to postage costs by sending me a shilling with your query (three fourpenny stamps, overseas three Commonwealth or two International Reply Coupons). This provides for the fact that in many cases I shall have to refer to at least one other person by letter or telephone, while if there should be any profit (which I think unlikely) it will go towards the heavy cost of overseas correspondence in the course of our work.

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I am indeed sorry to have to tell members that our energetic Membership Secretary, Stanley Blunt, has been laid up for the past few weeks. In a recent letter to me he mentioned how much he regretted missing the SSCC meeting at Rowland House and the Gilwell Reunion. Not only has Stanley been a victim, but one of our Committee members, D.E. (Bill) Bourke, has been down with food poisoning. I'm sure all our members would want me to wish them both a speedy recovery. Let's hope the bug that seems to have affected so many of the Club officials recently, has at last expended its energies. ..... WN.



DARLINGTON - 1936 (from the collection of D. E. BOURCE



MOUNT EDGCUMBE - 1936 (from the collection of R. E. RHODES)

#### ROAKE'S RANDOM RAMBLINGS !

It seems as if our Club members are always travelling - from all sides comes news of Members meeting each other in all sorts of places. I have myself been 'on the move' and at the beginning of August I had the great pleasure of being entertained for the day by WALTER and MADAME GROB-STGRIST in Switzerland at their home which looks out over a magnificent panorama of Lake Geneva and the mountains of France and Switzerland. Small wonder that our President and I returned there at the end of the month for another visit. We also went to the Swiss National Philatelic Exhibition (NABRA) at Berne meeting FREDY SCHERB and HANS AMSLER as we arrived. FREDY's Scout collection, mounted in twelve frames, was a most interesting exhibit, containing as it does, some very choice items from the pre-I would venture to suggest that this collection now easily ranks in the 'Top Twenty' Scout collections in the world, which is a creditable achievement for a young man barely in his twenties. One item, the red cancellation of SIBIU (Roumania - 1932) is illustrated in this issue.

WALTER GROB's Mafeking collection was on display to the delight of the admiring spectators in the same way that it did in WIPA when a silver-gilt medal was awarded. I also obtained from Walter details of the other medals awarded to Scout collections at WIPA. The two silver-medals went to REINERT RODLAND of Norway and HARALD THOURSIE of Sweden. Bronze medals to DR. P.G. ALESSANDRINI of Italy, ROBERT MAYER and FRANZ POSPISIL, both from the host country of Austria. For Herr RODLAND this has been the fourth consecutive year that he has secured a major award, with a bronze at FILOS in 1962, a silver-gilt at Melousina in 1963, and a silver at IMEX last year. A veteran Scout, he attended both World Jamborees in the U.K. (1929 and 1957) and also 1933 in Hungary, and writes extensively on Scout Philately in the Norwegian Scout Magazine. would also thank him and the two members from Sweden and Finland who have sent me cancellations for illustration, which I hope to do in December.

Whilst mentioning the 'old-timers', I would like to reproduce a letter from member H.E. SANDERS of Perranwell, Truro, Cornwall. He writes to say that:

"With 83 years behind me, I have little energy left to attend to philately, but I do enjoy receiving the "Journal"; it is good to see such enthusiasm in all connected with the Club. I have enjoyed many years of happiness and pleasure from the hobby, and all that is being done to enthuse our younger members, I applaud. May the Club go from strength to strength. All good wishes, Yours very sincerely, Barney." This tribute to the Club is all the more valued by those

of us connected with the Journal as it comes from one of Britain's most well-loved and well-respected Scouts. The signature 'Barney' or 'The Barnacle' to give him his full name is one that has been borne for many many years since the days when he was serving with the Royal Navy. In the early days, 'Barney' and B-P worked very much together, and through him came the foundation of Deep Sea Scouts, for those members of the Movement who were serving in the Royal Later, as Mr. H. E. Sanders, he was a joint-founder of the Junior Philatelic Society (now called the National Philatelic Society), but the name 'Barnacle' will forever be associated with Gilwell Park, for that is the name given to the hospital there, after the donor of the original building. It was at the Gilwell Reunion this year that Roy Rhodes and I had a chat with this youngster' who can remember the Siege of Mafeking when it was front-page news, and as it was the first day of World Friendship Year, 'Barney' enjoined us to see what little extra we of the SSCC could do towards world friendship.

In our collections we admire the names of Bad Ischl, Moisson, Marathon, Niagara and a host of others. Let us not forget those other names that lie there as well - Prague, Godollo, Mamaia and Spala and the memories that are left there. Then let us reflect on those other names that we have - Saigon, Lahore and New Delhi, and renew dur endeavour in the reality of World Friendship.

From Australia come a few interesting facts about the 7th Australian Jamboree Post Offices. Services were provided from December 29th to January 11th, 1965, and some 155,000 postal articles were handled, 3,500 telegrams sent and delivered and £1,500 value of postage stamps were sold. A photo of the counter shows three clerks serving (the three handstamps?) a few of the 16,000 Scouts and Scouters attending.

Australia features in an article in Linn's Weekly on the subject of Die-proofs of Australian issues. From 1947 it had been the practice to present die-proofs to each member of the P.M.G's Philatelic Advisory Committee, without any conditions attached to them concerning re-sale. About two years ago one such committee member sold his collection, and subsequently two others did likewise, their total profit being some £7,000. It was one of these collections that came under the hammer at Robson Lowe's auction this year, and that I have already written about. The distribution of die-proofs has now been discontinued, but one of our members is lucky enough to have secured those of the two Scout and one Guide issues. The illustrations of the two U.K. cancels that appear in this issue and the graph for dating Danish labels should be read in conjunction with the last issue from which they were omitted due to delay in preparation of the printing plate.

### BOY SCOUT AND GIRL GUIDE METER CANCELS. compiled by PETER DUCK.

In the following listing I have endeavoured to list in date order of the towns and cities concerned all the different slogans employed with pre-payment meters used at various Scout and Guide Headquarters etc. In the description of the cancels the wording in brackets () denotes the design (if any) the rest being the wording of the slogan. Some of the slogans have been used for a period of years, but I have shown the earliest year that I have discovered. I should be pleased to hear of any additions or amendments to this list. I am still working on the U.S.A. section of my listing, and hope to have this available for publication in the near future.

AUSTRALIA		
Adelaide	1962	Gang Show, bookings now open.
"	11	100,000 Australian boys are receiving Scout training.
Melbourne	1956	(Scout saluting) A good deed every day.
"	1957	Australasian Rover Moot 27 Dec. 2 Jan. Warburton.
"	1961	Scout Gang Show, Palais, St. Kilda 19-23 May.
11	1961	7th World Rover Moot, Clifford Park, Vic. 27th Dec. 1961-7 Jan, 1962.
11	1961	Bobs-a-Job Week 14th Oct-21st Oct.
11	1964	(Jamboree Badge) 7th Australian Jamboree 31 Dec - 8th Jan. Dandenong.
Sydney	1962	Good Scouts, better men.
CANADA		
Edmonton	1963	Support Scouting. Scouting Builds Character.
11	"	Boy Scouts merit your support.
11	"	Scouting is Citizenship training in action.
London, Ont.	1954	(8th World Jamboree Badge)
Montreal	1961	Octobre, mois du calendrier Scout.
"	"	Journées Fédérales Scouts.
"	"	Camp Scout Fédérale des Patrouilles libres,
"	"	Abonnez-vous à servir (Juillet 1961.)
Ottawa	1953	2nd Canadian Jamboree.
"	1960	Boy Scouts Assn. P.O.Box 3520, Postal Station C, Ottawa 3, Ont. (conserving.)
Regina "	1956 1963	(Goose in triangle ) The Boy Scouts, serve by (Scout Badge) Boy Scouts of Canada, 2060 Broad St.
St. John Saskatoon	1963 "	Boy Scouts Merit your support. (Regina.) (Scout and Cub heads).
Toronto	1956	(Radio mast ("Scouting on the Air" 1050 kcs. CHUM.)

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172.
Toronto
                  (Badge) Scouting in Action Apr. 22-23-24 1965.
            1964
                  Coliseum, Exhibition Park.
            1963
                  Support Scouting, Scouting builds Character.
Vancouver
                  Support Burnaby Scouting.
            1954
Winnipeg
                  (Scout head).
                  Be a good Scout, Give.
   ??
            1947
FINLAND
                  (Fleur de lys) Aliota Itsestäsi
Helsinki
            1962
            1963
                                 Muitakin näe naapurisi.
   11
                                 Muista muitakin näe laajemin.
            1964
FRANCE
Paris
                  Journées Nationales de Scouts de France à Jambville
            1955
            1953 Eclaireurs Unionistes de France, 21 rue de la Baume
Paris VIII
                  Camp de Jubilée 1911-1961 Eclaireurs Unionistes de
            1961
                    France. 21 rue de la Baume.
                  Les Eclaireurs de France, 66 Chaussee d'Antin,
Paris 9e
            1961
Paris (rue Taitbout)1964 - as above but in smaller
                                                         Paris 9e.
                                       lettering -
                  (Trefoil) Fédération Française des Eclaireurses
Paris XVII
            1964
            1965
                        Fédération Française des Eclaireurses Union-
                  istes, 6 Rue Ampère, Paris 17.
Paris 22 (rue Taitbout) 1965 (Combined Badges) Eclaireurses/Eclaireurs
                  de France. 66 Chaussée d'Antin, Paris 9.
                  E.I.F. 27 Avenue de Ségur, Paris 7e.
Paris 41
            1962
            1958
                  Journées Nationales, Chefs Scouts deFrance, Pentcote.
Paris 69
            1961
                  -as above, but dated 1961-
                                               (1958, Jambville.
                  -as above, but dated 1964-
            1964
                  Les Guides de France, Scoutisme Français, 65 rue de
            1962
Paris 101
                  Glacière, Paris 13e.
                  Souhaitez NOËL avec les cartes de voeux de Guides
            1963
GERMANY
                                                     (de France.
Dusseldorf 4 1964 Georgs Verlag der Deutschen Pfadfinderschaft Sankt
         10 1955(Boy's head) Klacks hat eine idée, Er kauft (Georg.
                 nur beim Bundesamt DPSG.
            1957 (hand saluting) DPSG postfach. 1907-1957.
            1958 (two birds) DPSG 1958.
            1959 1929-1959 DPSG. Postfach.
            1960 (stylised buildings) Sozial Werk DPSG Helft Mit!
            1962 (three open books) Georgs-Verlag.
            1962 (stylised tree) Aktion 62. DPSG Sozial Werk Westernohe
Heinrichstal 1963 (badge of Eversburg & Fleur-de-lys) Landeskürgelände
                  DPSG Paderborn in der 700-jahrigen Stadt Eversburg.
                  -as above with illustration of the Madonna-
Kassel-Wilbelmshohe 1.1960 Daru, Kauft Fips im Pfad-Rüsthaus.
                    " 1962 (castle)Christl.Pfadfinderschaft Deutchland
                  für Begegnung Erholung Bildung Burg Keineck.
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Krefeld 1 1963 (candle) Zum Weinachtsfest natülich nur Wertware
          1957 Klacks hat ein idée (as Dusseldorf)
                                                      (Bundesamt DPSG
Sankt Tönis 1964 Ring Deutscher Pfadfinderbunde. Nordrhein Westfalen.
Stuttgart 1 1962 Deine Bundes-Ausrüstung nur von deiner Bundeskammerei.
            Bund Deutscher Pfadfinder e. V Stuttgart N. Seestrasse 90
Stuttgart 7 1964 -as above -
Ulm(Donau) 1955 (tent) Rüstet dich aus - Sud West.
GREAT BRITAIN
LONDON S. W. 1. (Boy Scouts Association)
         Arrowe Park Jamboree (with Badge) (Theatre, Hammersmith.
1929
1951
         Ralph Reader's All-Scout Revue, The Gang Show 1951, King's
1951
         Visit the Discovery Exhibition aboard RRS Discovery, Temple,
               London during Festival of Britain.
1952
         First World Scouters' Indaba. 15-24 July. Gilwell.
1953
         BOY SCOUT. Ralph Reader's Musical Play, Royal Albert Hall
                                                 June 11-16.
1954
         Boy Scouts' National Bob-a-job Week. 19-24 April.
1955
         - as above, but with dates erased -
1955
         The Scout Shop, Imperial Headquarters, London.
1956
         World Scout Jubilee Jamboree, Sutton Park (Jamboree Badge)
1960
         Your kind donations to the BP Memorial Fund will help us to
         build Baden-Powell House.
         I'm on my way from the Scout Shop, 25 Buckingham Palace
1961
         Road, S. W. 1. (winged Scout).
         BP's Scouts. The official history of the Scout Movement.
1961
LONDON S. W. 1. (Girl Guides Association.
         (Girl Guides Coronation Badge.)
1953
         Girl Guides Assn, 17/19 Buckingham Palace Road, S.W.1.
1963
LONDON S.W.1. (World Bureau)
         Read "World Scouting" every month.
1955
1957
         1857 - BP - 1957.
LONDON E.4. (Gilwell Park)
1961
         (Axe in Log).
1964
         Commonwealth Patrol Leader's Training Camp, Gilwell Park,
         5-17 August 1965 (axe in log)
Birmingham 1964 Shop at the Scout Shop, Dale End, Birmingham.
           1965 Annual Rally, Handsworth Park, first Sat. in July.
                See you at Yorks Wood Garden Party.
Manchester 1963 Our profits go to Scouting and Guiding.
Sheffield 1953 "Send her Victorious" A Scout Pageant. 20-25 April
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City Hall, Sheffield.
Southampton 1958 Southampton Golden Jubilee Appeal.

#### HOLLAND.

s'Gravenhage 1937 WERELDJAMBOREE 1937.

" 1950 National Kamp 1910 - 1950

" 1954 (Fleur de Lys) Neem een abonnement op De Verkenner

" 1956 (Fleur de lys in circle) Neem een abonnement op

De Verkenner.

" 1961 KJB. Jan van Nassaustraat 113. Tel. 776795

1962 KJB. Jan van Nassaustraat 113 Tel. 245470

1964 National Hoofkwartier de Katholieke Verkenners.

#### PAKISTAN

1952 Scouting for a better Pakistan.

#### PHILIPPINES.

Manila 1954 First National Jamboree April 23 - 30 1954. Quezon City Boy Scouts of the Philippines.

1959 11th World Jamboree, Makiling Park, Boy Scouts of the Philippines.

#### **SWEDEN**

Stockholm 1936 Scout Varor. Sveriges Scoutförbund Officiella Affar.

- " 1936 Prenumerera Pa Scouten och Totem.
- " 1936 Rikstuänstmärket Pa Varje Scoutblus.
- " 1956 Ljuspunkten 1956 SS AKTION för Blind och Synsvag Ungdom.
- " 1960 Scout Varor (-as first item, but new machine )
- " 1961 (61 and arrowhead ) Aktivitetsaret.
- " 1962 (house) Vi Bygger Kjestäter.
- " 1964 KFUK's ach KFUM's Scoutförbund. Opp I Topp 1963-1964.
- " 1964 KFUK's och KFUM's Scoutfrämjande Postgiro 56815
- " 1965 (whirl) Tonar Ton i Ar.

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10.	3/-	33	15/-	59	140/-
11.	8/-	34	10/-	62	36/-
12.	5/-	35	14/-	63	45/-
13.	7/-	36	23/-	65	13/-
15.	6/-	37	6/-	66	56/-
16.	4/-	38	32/-	67	40/-
17.	36/-	39	13/-	68	44/-
18.	10/-	40	8/-	69	14/-
19.	8/6	41	50/-		
20.	4/-	42	9/-		
22.	14/-	43	8/-		
23.	15/-	44	180/-		
24.	38/-	45	120/-		

It is regretted that several bids arrived too late to be included in the sale, especially as these were in some cases higher than the realised prices. The next auction will allow longer time for bids from our overseas members to be received.

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#### NEWS FROM THE OTHER CLUBS.

With the latest issue of the SOSSI Journal comes a membership roster of some 1500 members in the U.S.A. and abroad. Although there are many SSCC members who are also members of the American Society, I am surprised that only nineteen of our U.K. members, including four of the Officers and Committee, belong to SOSSI. Although their Journal rarely includes items of past history, we are kept up-to-date with all new material.

In "Echo", the bulletin of the Benelux Club which is published in Dutch and French, the Editor lists out each new issue and cancel as it is announced and also offers material for sale at reasonable prices. Of the Austrian and German Clubs I have as yet heard nothing! .....JDR.

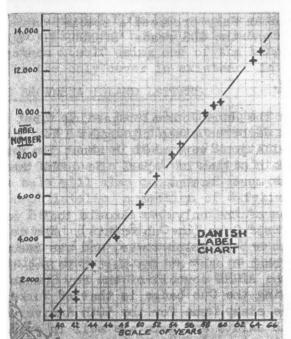












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Swiss Scout N.Q. Regatration Label



Scout Stamp Error Discovered

A major error, a double impression of the border legend, has been recently found in a mixture of used stamps by of the border legeld, has over treecape to found in a mixture of used stamps by Wilbur Kattner, a specialist in Portugal, and Colonies. The error is in 20 centavas value of the scout stamp set of Portugal. Scott No. 885. The second impression to be offset 0.3 mm to the right of the first, Twelve million copies were printed. If all copies survived, and inly one sheet were produced with the error. a collector would stand one chance of finding a copy in looking through 240,000 stamps.

Collectors who are able to cast some light upon how the error might have occurred, or who have the good fortune to own a copy of the error are fiviled to write Mr. Kattner at 3128 Tanglewood Trail. Fort Worth, Texas 76100.

#### PETER'S POT-POURRI

At the end of July, I went off for my Summer holidays to sunny Switzerland - except that it wasn't so sunny! During my stay I had the great pleasure and privilege to visit Walter Grob-Sigrist and view his vast collection. I was entertained and overwhelmed by it all from 6 p.m. until 1 a.m. with a break for dinner when we only talked about stamps. Walter's prize collection of Mafeking and other Boer War items were mounted up especially for the WIPA Exhibition in Veinna and were a joy to behold. cracked-plate varieties, a full mint sheet of the 3d Baden-Powell value, a reversed print to mention just a few items.

Then we waded through album after album of covers old and new far too many to mention anything specifically. I only wish there could have been more time at our disposal to look through the albums more slowly. And no doubt my best French did not do justice to what I was listening to or trying to say! Anyway, our sincere thanks to Walter for a memorable evening and to Madame Grob for a delightful supper.

#### GIRL SCOUT SENIOR ROUNDUP, Farragut, Idaho, 1965.

This event which was held in July produced a special cancel. It is of the 'wavy line' type and CDS reads 'ROUNDUP ID. 83803'. the first day being 17th July.

#### JAPAN FIRST DAY CANCELS, 1962.

Further to my remarks in the June Journal regarding first day cancels of the Japanese Asian Jamboree stamp of August 1962, I now discover that first day cancellations were used in about two dozen cities - presumably all the main cities of Japan. No doubt the three in my possession are the most common.

Japan has issued one of the only two cancels that I know of which shows the badge of the Wolf Cubs (or Cub Scouts). The design shows a Cub badge and cap also a television tower, and was issued for the 'First Cub Rally in Tokai Block' at the Nagoya Televi-tower Plaza, 29th April, 1953, by the AICHI council of the Boy Scouts of Japan. The other cancel showing the Cub badge is that of Turkey 1962, and appears on the FDCs of the stamp issue for the 50th Anniversary of Scouting in Turkey, the Cub salute and grin are well in evidence here together with his Brownie sister's. Collectors should beware forged cancellations on these particular FDCs.

#### LETTER FROM UGANDA.

"We have not been able to convince the Postal authorities to issue a special set of stamps, but have had a promise from them to issue special cancellations. In additions we expect to issue special first day covers and airmail forms, for use at the Jamboree". This is an extract from a letter I have received from the Uganda Boy Scouts Association regarding my enquiries about their Golden Jubilee Jamboree which was to be held during August this year. Despite rushing off an order to them, I have had no further reply.

#### NATIONAL CAMP IN BOLIVIA.

Recently I obtained a cover which came from the office of the Asociacion de Scouts de Bolivia, and on the envelope was printed a rubber stamp cachet which reads - 'Il Campanmento Nacional de Patrullas, 11 al 17 de Julio de 1965 LA PAZ BOLIVIA' I hurriedly sent off an airletter to enquire about a Camp cancellation but so far without reply.

#### UNIQUE MARATHON COVER

The Commissioner in charge of the Scout members of the Post Office staff at Marathon is in possession of an unique item. One of the official FDCs had somehow not been cancelled with the correct first day cancel, this was subsequently cancelled at Marathon itself using one of the hand cancels. As far as I know it is the only cover in existence in this condition.

#### THE BROWNSEA ISLAND LETTERS.

Many of you have already requested catalogues for the Auction sale that is taking place at the Charing Cross Hotel November 30th under the control of London Stamp Exchange Ltd., and in which these letters in B-P's writing will feature. I understand that the sale will also consist of many other items of B-P interest (non-philatelic) a section of Mafeking stamps and related items, many other lots of stamps and covers from early days etc. etc. As intimated before, I will be prepared to bid on behalf of out-of-town and foreign members, and would ask them to give me their specific instructions as soon as they have studied their catalogues which will be sent out in October.

.....JDR.



by the Assistant Editor.

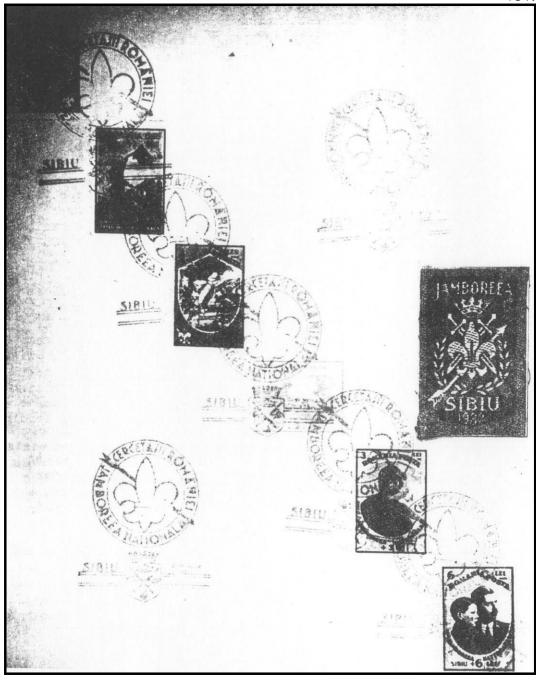
Once again the old advice comes along - buy your early items now, and then work through to the present day. So many collectors work backwards and the Siam and Mafeking items are the last that they buy.

This advice is offered again in the light of the new prices in Gibbons catalogues published this autumn. In Mafeking the ld. cyclist goes up to £35 mint, and £20 used. The small 3d.B-P to £40 mint and £30 used. The large 3d. to £100 mint and £45 used. This is an average increase of 60% for the mint set and the same for the used set! The Siam 'Tigers' go up too; the 1st. set to £30 M or U., the 2nd to £30 M. or U. and the 3rd set to £22 M. or U. This represents an increase of 41% for the mint sets and 60% for the used! The 1961 Thailand set goes up 50% mint and 80% used; the Persia set of 1950 goes up 55% and the 1956 pair up 125% mint or used!; the Nicaragua 2 cordoba is shown as 16/6, which is hopelessly low, so I suggest you all go to Gibbons and buy a few for investment at that price!

Other sets show small increases, but the recent issues hold their prices. Now, only Parts I and III have been published, and the main surprises will come on October 8th when the Europe (the Part II) catalogue is published. I have already been looking at Yvert, Michel, Zumstein and the increases are too numerous to list, If you see any of the Liechtenstein sets for sale, then buy them! Lithuania set and the Sibiu set of Roumania will be sure to join the Prince Francis set of 1932 as sets that will soon be 'over the ton' (I mean over 100/- for the unenlightened).

On the subject of new issues, I hope to publish a list of all stamps and cancels from 1965 in the December Journal, together with illustrations of the latter, but this will depend on whether I get clear examples donated to the Journal to prepare the printing plates.

The Club Auction in the last issue attracted over 50 bidders and It appears that this feature is popular with buyers and sellers alike. If you have items for sale, then send them to me with details of minimum reserves, and I'll include in the next auction. Of the 70 lots last time only 12 were unsold or did not reach the reserve; 27 lots were bid upon by more than 6 bidders and 6 lots had 15 or more bidders.



#### RAMBOREE 1965.

#### by BILL BOURKE

For the first time since the Darlington and Mount Edgcumbe camps of 1936, a Scout camp in Great Britain other than a World event has produced a special cancellation - with an identifiable registration label in addition, just for good measure.

This was the Derbyshire International Camp held in the park of Chatsworth, home of their County President the Duke of Devonshire, from the 31st July to the 7th August. Known as "Ramboree 1965" from their county emblem, the Derby Ram celebrated in song ("-It was the finest ram, Sir, that ever was fed on hay"). This camp was the most important international Scout event held in Britain during the year, with overseas participation on a scale which can seldom if ever have been surpassed at a local camp sponsored by a county or region. The 3,600 in camp included about 550 overseas Scouts, with 1,700 Derbyshire lads and some 1,300 from other parts of the United Kingdom, plus about a hundred camp officials, leaders and helpers. some countries came whole Troops, or more than one, and from places like Tunis and Nigeria as well as from nearer home like France, Germany, Holland and the Scandinavian countries. From the U.S.A. came probably the only Mayor present - from Topeka, Kansas, in camp The total included Belgians, Canadians, Libyans, Swiss as a Scouter! a Patrol of Japanese - and some Paraguayans, though I did not meet any. Altogether, with those of the constituent parts of the British Isles, twenty-three national flags flew from the long line of masts flanking the central one with the Union Flag along the roadway leading from the entrance perhaps appropriately named the Golden Gates.

The camp lay mainly in a valley, behind the flags the Market Place with a central triangular arena (used on Monday for a Rodeo-average time on horse about five seconds!), around it the shops, a Bank (with flower-beds and miniature cypresses in front), a "Lost-and-Found" tent (on the Open Day containing children), and the Camp Post Office. Rolls Royce Ltd., a Derby firm, filled a huge marquee with an exhibition of their engines of all kinds, while the Fire Service augmented their display with a manual fire engine of about 1830 made for use at Chatsworth House.

Most of the Scouts arrived on Saturday, July 31st. In the afternoon the National Flags were broken at a ceremony watched by the Duke, while two smart men of the Sherwood Foresters paraded the Mascot of their Regiment, the present Derby Ram known as "Derby XX". Later the first of the Camp Fires took place, entitled "Songs of the Nations", and at its close the Duke formally declared the camp open - which was then celebrated with a firework display.

The next day, Sunday the first August, was in many ways the most important of the Ramboree. In the morning the Commonwealth Chief Scout arrived, being driven across the park in a horse-drawn open all the afternoon parents and friends were welcomed, and in the evening there was a broadcast by the B.B.C. of hymn-singing by Scouts from a nearby church. All day the weather, very bad else-where, was perfect at Chatsworth. The sun shone hotly through broken clouds, their shadows drifting dreamily over the sunlit peaks rising on all sides and making Chatsworth Park seem truly one of the most beautiful places imaginable. For two hours the Chief toured the Sub-Camps, seven along the valley and the eighth on the hill to the south, and then in the afternoon, after the Scouts had marched past him, the Chief and almost everyone in camp went up on to the hill behind - to form a huge sea of youth on the green slopes for the United Scouts' Own, conducted by Anglican, Roman Catholic and Free Church Chaplains with the Chief leading the Renewal of the Scout Promise.

From then on the camp went with a swing, with only a slight pause when the rain did catch up with Chatsworth for four hours or so on Monday, making the camp all too like those scenes at the World Jamborees of 1929 and 1957 - every flagstaff with its lake, every path a quagmire! At dusk the Broadcast System (the only mistake?) was heard again: "Attention all campers and Scouters.." very long pause) "Isn't...it....WET!" (Loud yells). Then the voice announced that the weather was about to clear and continue fine, (Loud and prolonged cheers!) - and the rain stopped.

Activities in and around the camp covered a wide variety. There was a "Trading Post" to promote and organise stunts and competitions, individual and otherwise, ranging from cake-baking to an Assault Course: there were experts in charge of archery, canoeing, climbing, judo, trampoline, riding, sailing, swimming, and so on, and controlled parachute jumping from a steel tower in the camp.

for Seniors, coach visits, and of course visits to historic Chatsworth House itself, a mile away across the park - the great Palladian mansion known as "the Palace of the Peak", begun in 1687 and famous for its priceless collection of works of art and for the beauty of its gardens. On Thursday some 800 Scouts went to nearby Bakewell to take part in an International Parade of Scouts (led by the Derby Ram) at the also justly famous Bakewell Show. And so to Friday evening, when after the "World Friendship" Camp Fire (opened by Norway's International Commissioner), Mr. Clive E. Bemrose, the Derbyshire County Commissioner, presided at the Closing Ceremony.

The Camp Post Office was a Temporary Branch Office of that at Bakewell and under the general control of the Head Postmaster at Matlock. Situated on the Market Place, it occupied quite a small square tent equipped with two tables, one for the single clerk in attendance and the other for writing purposes. Beside it stood a superb little pillar box constructed of stone, suitably adorned with red metal face with the posting slot and times of posting, its top formed by a stone slab...On Sunday I saw some enterprising young Scouts start to take this away (it was quite unattached); then they thought better and went off laughing - and when I told the clerk next day he was quite horrified!

The Office was open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., on Saturday 31st July and on Monday 3rd August to Saturday 7th August inclusive. On Sunday it was closed but there was a single collection of mail at 3.45 p.m. (or rather later - I waited in vain to watch it.) On the other days the collections were made at 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Deliveries of incoming mail for distribution were made to the Camp Administration Tent at approximately 7.45 a.m. and 2 p.m. on the weekdays only. Business transacted was Postal and Telegraph only, Savings Bank business (other than encashment of savings stamps) not being undertaken.

Cancellation: A special circular date handstamp (illustrated on page 168) measuring 35.5 m.m. in diameter and showing centrally a design of a ram's head superimposed on a Scout badge (following the design of the Ramboree Badge), with the wording " - DERBYSHIRE RAMBOREE 1965 -/ CHATSWORTH PARK, BAKEWELL, DERBYSHIRE". This was applied to all mail except parcels, either posted at the camp or sent up for despatch (parcels would presumably have received the ordinary circular Bakewell handstamp). All cancelling was done at the Post office in Bakewell, the only

N.B. For page 168 (last para. line 2) please read page 164.

datestamp in use at the camp itself being an ordinary Bakewell one, used for such counter transactions as telegrams and postal orders. Only a single special handstamp was prepared, so there are no varieties. Quantities of Mail: as stated officially by the Head Postmaster at Matlock, the total of items of mail posted was 9,100, delivered 3,100, while the total of registered items despatched was 221.

Registered Mail received a label inscribed "BAKEWELL 2" to distinguish it from ordinary Bakewell items. Cancelled with the Ramboree datestamp on the face, it usually received the normal Bakewell one on the reverse. Its use was as follows:

<u>31st July</u> - Nos. 0001 to 0204 (inclusive); <u>2nd Aug.</u> - 0205 to 0207; <u>3rd Aug.</u> - 0208, 0209; <u>4th Aug.</u> - 0210, 0211; <u>5th Aug.</u> - 0212, 0213; <u>6th Aug.</u> - 0214, 0215; <u>7th Aug.</u> - 0216 to 0221.

From this it will be seen that only 17 registered items were sent after the first day - and as 14 of these were sent to me and the remaining 3 to Peter Duck, in every case through the postmaster, it follows that none at all were sent from the camp itself!

Stationery: For official purposes connected with the camp both special headed notepaper and foolscap envelopes bearing its name, place and dates in red were in use from before the Ramboree. During the camp two similarly printed envelopes were on sale (from the Tuck Shops!) measuring respectively 3<sup>1/2</sup>d ins. by 6 ins. and about 4 by 6<sup>1/2</sup>. It was the smaller of these two sizes that was employed for all the Official Covers, ordinary and registered, sent off by arrangement by the Organisers. Also on sale at the camp were photographic postcards showing two Scouts with the Derby Ram against a background of Chatsworth House.

<u>Material</u>: Since several people have asked me for details of the somewhat unusual material I sent (or had sent) from the camp, the following may be of interest. Amongst others there were covers with the photograph of B-P in mufti (4 Regd. Nos. 0001-4); covers with the Ramboree Badge (1 each day, with Regd. Nos. 0211 and 0221); some Official Covers with badge (3rd); postcards used with stamp and name and address on face - (a) B-P (about 12 on 31st, 3 on 3rd), (b) Lord Rowallan (3 on 31st), (c) Roland House (3 on 31st, 2 on 3rd), (d) the present Chief (about 10 on 1st, plus 6 covers with his picture), (e) the Derby Ram and Chatsworth (6 on 3rd), Ramboree Camp Books with stamps cancelled on from (7 on 2nd, 6 on 3rd.) There was also a cover with what looks like a (very) Large B-P Head Mafeking, with postmark dated 10th April 1900. Only one - and it provides our illustration!

# THE SECRETARY - GENERAL WRITES

RETIREMENT. It is a long time since JOHN HOBBS first started to serve the Club and for a very considerable while he has given magnificent service with the Club Packet and in the sphere of publicity. It is therefore, with regret that we have to announce his resignation from the end of the year. Needless to say his work will be much missed and also his help. Thank you, JOHN, for all you have done, both on behalf of the Club, the Committee and the members, as well as personally.

This does, of course, create a need. Recently Stanley BLUNT (who has not been at all well) and I spent a little time working out the total time spent on Club business. If it weren't for the voluntary effort of many members, we would have to employ at least one person full time and even then he, poor lad, would be kept very hard at it. Indeed apart from pushing the subs up to something like five guineas a year, it would make a very heavy load. All of which serves to drive home a particular point, namely that once again we should welcome volunteers. There are several tasks - all interesting, even rewarding and as usual all unpaid. Volunteers please - and as soon as possible. Write at once to the Secretary-General - all sorts of help wanted.

THE CATALOGUE. Work on production of the catalogue is getting well ahead and there is no doubt that this will be eagerly anticipated. As soon as this issue of the Journal is out of the way we should be getting into the final stages of the catalogue. The printing is 300 copies and about half of these have already been earmarked for advance orders. Thus the motto is quite clear: if you wish to take advantage of the advance price reduction, ORDER NOW.

#### ROLAND HOUSE.

The next meeting date is October 30th. Do your best to get along.

#### RECRUITMENT.

There has been an excellent influx recently of new members from Scandinavia, chiefly as the result of the efforts of JAN BERGQVIST.

We are now getting on well enough towards a new target - our first 1,000 enrolments. We could - should - achieve this within the period before the next World Jamboree. (You don't know when this is? You soon will). At this stage, it will help if any member thinking of spreading the word will kindly advise me if he wants publicity material. I always have a few back copies of the Journal spare for such purposes.

#### HANDICAPPED SCOUTS.

I am still collecting used G.B. commemoratives for the benefit of the International Bureau's fund for siding Handicapped Scouts.

Almost any member could help simply by sending on his quite ordinary used commemorative stamps. We don't expect brilliant finds or fantastic treasures.

Please send to me and I will continue to forward these items to Canada at regular intervals.

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#### AN EARLY DANISH LABEL

by Bill BOURKE.

A letter from MURRAY FRIED in Canada tells me of a Scout seal he added to his collection not long ago, which would seem to be the earliest known one from Denmark. Quite colourful, it shows two Scouts in uniform outside a tent, one tending a fire, the other standing equipped with staff and handaxe. Along the left-hand edge are the words "Friskoleborns Asylerne", while on the right is "Anno 1914".

It will be interesting to hear from anyone who has one of these or a similar label, or who can tell us its origin or the reason for its issue.

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#### Answers to the Quiz on the Junior Page (p. 165)

- 1. Dubai, 1964 issued the first set of air letter sheets (aerogrammes) which used its Scout stamps, issued the same year, in different colours.
- 2. Hungary, 1925-No. 457 issued as one of a set of eight sport stamps.
- 3. Nigeria, 1963 set of two triangular stamps honouring the 11th World Jamboree.
- 4. Hungary, 1925 issued as one of a set of eight sport stamps both perforated and imperforated.
- 5. Roumania, 1935 No. 828 these stamps were issued to celebrate the 5th Anniversary of the accession of King Carol II to the throne as well as a national sports meeting.
- 6. United States, 1950 No. 1146 issued for the 40th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America.
- 7. Hungary, 1939 Nos. 649-652 commemorating the Girl Scout Jamboree held at Godollo.
- 8. Roumania, 1931 Nos. C.79-C83 show Scouts cooking, camping rescuing a child and a boy being invested as a tenderfoot.
- 9. Haiti, 1962 Nos. 831 & 836 picture B-P and Lady B-P; part of a set issued to honour the 22nd Anniversary of Haiti Boy Scouts.
- 10. Hungary 1933 Nos. 563- 567 White Stag issue for the 4th World Jamboree held at Godollo.
- 11. Siam, 1920 part of the 'Wild Tiger' series, the surtax being for the benefit of Siam Scouts.
- 12. Liechtenstein, 1957 Nos. 358 & 359 issued for the centenary of B-P and the 50th year of Scouting.

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