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by the Assistant Editor.

March-winds are howling around England as I write, and snow has flurried around the South at the same time as the daffodils and almond blossom give a touch of colour to the drab scene! What strange 'harmony of contrasts' have we here? The seasons seem to turn the clock back and we are going backwards in time.

So it is with stamp collecting. Our studies into the stamps and postal services of Mafeking and Prague during the revolution allow us the chance to re-live these events with the facts and scraps of evidence that are available to us. I have been spending quite a time in delving through old papers and newspaper cuttings concerning B-P, and it is fascinating to see how up-to-date the founder was with Scouting's approach to the problems of youth over a half a century ago. Then further back in time, I have been reading B-P's original diaries when he was a Captain, and later Major, in the 13th Hussars. In 1886 he writes that he had his fortune told, and amongst other things he was told that he would live to 80 and that money would never 'stick to him'. How true it all came.

But to move from the events of yesteryear to those of yesterday, and I am very pleased to announce the recent wedding of PETER DUCK and AUDREY. I know that all his many friends will wish them both the very best of health and happiness for the future. It seems to be a dangerous year for the bachelor-members of the Committee - two down...five to go! Thank goodness it isn't Leap Year! I am sure that all members will be sorry to hear that WILF. has not been well of recent months, but with the advent of Spring we all hope that he will be fit and able to enjoy his Scouting and philately to the full.

#### FROM THE EDITOR'S IN-TRAY by WILF NODDER

My grateful thanks to ...

- ... J. VAN DER STEEN (member 276) for sending me the article on "Scouts Design Stamps" published elsewhere in this issue and for including the stamp he writes about on the envelope containing his letter. It is thoughtfulness such as this that I appreciate so much.
- ... L. MOSS (Member 572) for sending me a cover posted at the 10th Dominion Sea Scout Regatta held at Wellington, New Zealand, in January, 1965. These covers are by no means plentiful and his gift is therefore very acceptable as I have been unable to obtain one for my collection.
- ... REV. BASIL NEBBETT for his letter in which he mentions that the date given by Peter Duck in his article on "Scout and Guide Meter Cancels", viz. 1954, for the first "Bob-a Job" meter slogan can be advanced to 1952 as he has a copy so dated in his collection. He also asks whether anyone has an example of the Boy Scout Association meter mark earlier than September 20th, 1934. If so, would he kindly write to me or to Basil direct so that the records can be kept straight.
- ... HARALD THOURSIE (Member 692) for his letter in which he mentions that a label or seal has just been issued in Sweden for helping handicapped youth; it is called "hastaskoaktionen" the "horse-shoe action". He also mentions that a Christmas festival card was issued by the General Post Office and was on sale from December 1st to January 8th, the stamp on the card having the same motif as the St. George stamp in 1962. Although not a Scout postcard, it is certainly a collectable item for those who include stamps depicting the patron Saint of Scouting in their albums and I am sure they will appreciate receiving this information from Harald.
- ... E. SERCOMBE and T. BAXTER for taking the trouble to measure the copies of their Mafeking stamps and passing the information on to me. I am going to wait a little longer before I publish this information and I am still hoping that other members some of whom I know do have copies in their collections will find time to examine their specimens and let me know the results.

#### NEWS FROM SWITZERLAND

Did you know that ...

- ... the Liechtenstein Scouts celebrate their 35th anniversary this year. The movement was formed in 1931.
- ... the Liechtenstein 1932 set was issued on the 21st December, 1932, on sale until February 28th, 1933, and could be used until July 31st, 1933.

<u>Value</u>	Number	Number burnt on	Total number
	<u>printed</u>	<u>June 11th 1935</u>	<u>on sale</u>
10 (+ 5)Rp.	48'000	8'821	35'036
20 (+ 5)Rp.	50 <b>'</b> 000	11'828	34'129
30 (+10)Rp.	50 <b>'</b> 000	12' 501	33 <b>'</b> 457

This set exists with " MUSTER " overprint in black.

- ... I was able to get one of the two missing types of machine cancels used to advertise the 3rd National Scout Camp held in Zurich 1938: The one-circle date-stamp type with "Briefversand" in lower part.
- ... the 6th National Scout Camp will open July 27th and close August 3rd, 1966. The "Bundeslager" will be divided into 12 sub-Camps, name, Tamins, Reichenau, Bregl, Bonaduz, Tschavir, Tuleu, Rhäzüns, Rothenbrunnen, Paspels, Rodels, Cazis-Fürstenau and Sils. The 30th July will Be the "Official Day", the 1st of August the "Guest Day". Every sub-Camp includes a shopping-centre, enquiry-office, phone-box and post-office. Centre of incoming and outgoing mail is the Main Post Office in Chur. A camp journal will be printed daily. The first camp postcard has already been issued (same design and colours as Jubilee label).

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Our 1966 Annual General Meeting is going to be held on Saturday, 21st May (BOOK THE DATE NOW) - and this year we are holding it at Roland House, where we hold our usual London meetings. This promises to suit us better in a number of ways, and will give those who may not know it an opportunity to see this historic Queen Anne house (or rather houses), which is not only the oldest Scout institution in Britain apart from Headquarters itself, but is just celebrating its Golden Jubilee - 50 years as a Power-House of Scouting in East London and far beyond.

Once again there will be a large static display of outstanding and intriguing items - and this year we are going to carry this a stage further. The static display will include as good a coverage of Australian items of all kinds as we can manage, and we want all members to bring their own items of interest so that we can all see them and compare notes. To broaden it a bit we suggest not only items from Australia itself but "Australasia" - which lets in New Zealand and the South Seas! Then, on a slightly more technical note, our Research Chairman suggests you also bring along all your items (apart from the normal F.D.Cs) form the 1957 Jubilee Jamboree at Sutton Park - especially those elusive handstamps.

The meeting is due to start formally at 2.30 pm, but we are suggesting that anyone who wants to come along from 1.45 pm onwards, when as well as meeting your friends and looking at the displays there will be people standing by to show you round Roland House.

How do you get there? Well, the full address (for anyone who's a real stranger) is 29 Stepney Green, London E.1., Stepney Green being a turning to the south off the main A.12 (Mile End Road). By public transport the best way is by the District Line Underground to Stepney Green Station, turn right and cross the Road, continuing until you reach "The Hayfield", beside which is a little turning which leads down to the House. There is some car park space available behind the House.

### SCOUT STAMP DESIGNERS (Contributed by J. VAN DER STEEN)

The last issued commemorative stamp in 1965 in Holland was for the 300th anniversary of the Royal Marine Corps. The stamps, picturing an old-time and a modern mariner was designed by Titus Leeser, a former Scout, and a distinguished one! Yet as a rover (in 1921) Titus Leeser was a member of the staff of the "Outdoor Centre" at Ommen, a woodcraft school following the ideas of Thomson Seton and John Hargrave.

In 1924, a year after the start of the Dutch Gilwell training, he was sent to Gilwell Park, together with Pom van Voorthuisen, to attend the 11th cub course. Later the same year he ran the first Dutch cub course as assistant Akela Leader.

(He became Ak-L later on)

His drawings were well known both inside and outside the movement, and his illustrations can be found in Dutch Scout books and journals.

He designed the poster and seal for the 1932 National Camp and in 1937 he was in charge of the World Jamboree Theatre. When the Dutch Scout Council, after the second world war decided to install Scout decorations, Titus Leeser was asked to design the highest award, the silver Flemmish Gay.

The "trademark" of the Dutch Gilwell training centre at Ommen (the campfire) is also his work, and this is also found on the badge, cancel and official cover of the 3rd (and last?) World Indaba (1960).

Mr. Leeser has made many war-memorials throughout the Netherlands, the best known standing on the Markelose Berg in the province of Overijssel, where he lives himself, not far from Ommen with his wife, Mrs. Leeser-Hendriks, also a former Akela-Leader.

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# THE SECRETARY - GENERAL WRITES

#### DING DONG.

Wedding bells and all that are exceptionally prevalent in the spring months as members must have gathered by now following the depletions and deletions from the bachelor ranks.

Peter Duck wins by a short head - and to him and his bride all our congratulations. Any member hoping to contact me during the latter half of April will have to expect that his correspondence will probably be forwarded a number of times. This alone is the only clue to my whereabouts during the H---m--! We return to relative civilisation at the end of April and about mid-May I hope to move to "ye olde worlde" country cottage and the address from that time will be - Rose Cottage, Selmeston, Polegate, Sussex. For the very many kind messages and gestures of goodwill may I record the happy and grateful thanks of the bridal pair as they march down the aisle.

#### SCOUTERS TO CLEAR.

Consequent upon the move from a large house to a small house I have copies of "The Scouter" for about ten or more years for disposal. Usually in pristine condition, and in most cases in the official binders. There is no charge for this valuable collection which will thus be available for the first comer, <a href="BUT">BUT</a> any expenses of delivery or collection shall be charged to the recipient. My philanthropic sentiments must be overcome by the needs for the mixing bowls and the mincer in the kitchen. Write at once.

#### MATTERS PHILATELIC.

Amidst the welter of new Scout stamps and cancellations anticipated during 1966 some of the more 'off-beat' items to be

expected may include the following: -

West Germany: at least one new cancel in the summer.

France: Vichy in the autumn:

Cancel a possibility.

Scotland: Blair Atholl - being considered

Canada: Rover Moot:

slogan cancel possible.

The announcement of issues for territories as far apart as the Philippines, South Korea, Guatemala, Nicaragua, and Japan (?) are already relatively common knowledge. Usual attempts to cover most items for P. L. D. and M. D. are proceeding.

Incidentally, the latest Permanent list is in the course of distribution, and also the Mint Distribution. Both of these are designated by a new system of numbering. Viz PLD. 1/66, and MD. 1/66.

#### DISPLAY MATERIAL.

Following the request of several members the situation regarding publicity items via the Club is that membership application forms incorporating particulars of Club membership can be obtained from Bim Knight, and I also have available a few back copies of the Club Journal.

If you like to write to me for such back copies for publicity purposes I can let you have whatever is on hand. Alternatively we might be able to make arrangements for a few spare ones from other Club sources. Frequent reports are received of the efforts by members to recruit further members, and everyone is proud of the constant growth in our total strength.

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#### BELGIAN SCOUT HISTORY

#### by Jos Suy and Peter Duck.

Belgian Scouting was started in 1909 by Harold Parfitt, an Englishman, who was organist at the Anglican Church in Brussels. The first troop consisted of English and Anglo-Belgian boys in three patrols. In 1910 the Boy Scouts de Belgique was founded by Dr. A. Depage, and Catholic Scouting commenced in 1912 under the name of Baden-Powell Scouts de Belgique with J. Corbisier as Chief Scout. founded by J. Petit. A second non-sectarian association was formed after World War I, this was called Les Eclaireurs de Belgique and soon amalgamated with the Boy Scouts de Belgique. Also, a second Catholic Association was formed in 1919, and in 1927 merged with the Baden-Powell Scouts. As there are two language groups in Belgium, the Catholic Association is divided into the Federation des Scouts Catholiques (F.S.C.-French), and Vlaams Verbond der Katholieke Scouts (V. V. K. S. - Flemish) and together with the Boy Scouts de Belgique comprise the Interfederale Belge du Scoutisme.

There were three National Jamborees in Belgium.

- 1. From 6-16 August, 1921, at Diest, in commemoration of the 300th anniversary of the death of St. Jan Berchmans. From this Jamboree there is in existence a postcard depicting the Saint's house and rubber-stamped in violet 'National Jamboree 1921 DIEST' and has a common postal roller cancel of that time. It is written by the Camp Chief from the provinces of Namur and Hainault and also has his cancel on it.
- 2. From 11-16 August, 1923 at Ham-sur-Heure.
  No philatelic material is known from this camp.
- 3. From 12-15 August, 1926, at Middelheim City Park, Antwerp.

There was also held in Antwerp that August an International Sea Scouts Congress to celebrate the 10th Anniversary of Belgian Sea Scouting. This was founded by Georges de Hasque who was also founder of the V.V.K.S. To commemorate the Jamboree a special label was issued, printed in yellow and green it depicts a Scout with stave held high and calling. There are other Scouts in the background and at the bottom of the label the word "Jamboree 1926" and two Scout badges.

If any other items exist from these three camps we should both be pleased to know about them.

A series of labels was issued by the V.V.K.S. in 1938, consisting of 16 different designs in either blue, red, green or brown and are printed on either white, cream, pink or blue paper. This makes a combination of 16 labels of each design, or 256 in all.

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#### BACK NUMBERS OF THE JOURNAL

I now have a few copies of very early Journals as well as all modern ones, including one complete set from 1957; these are all available individually at 1/- per copy plus postage, and members are invited to send details of those they require. Quantity discount: 6 copies for 5/- plus postage - 12 copies for 10/- post free, and pro rata for larger quantities. .... JOHN D. ROAKE.

#### MEMBER'S COLLECTION TO BE DONATED TO BRITISH MUSEUM

MIROSLAV ('BOJO') BOJANOWICZ has donated a collection of stamps, covers, cancels etc. covering the complete history of the Polish people from the time of the invasion of their country in 1938 to the end of the war and concluding with a section on the Scout Sewer Post of 1946. It will be housed in a beautiful cabinet similar to that holding the TAPLING collection in the British Museum and the formal presentation will be made in the afternoon of May 4th. 'Bojo' has invited any members who can get along to the Museum to be his guests at the event. (Details from JOHN ROAKE).

The acceptance of this collection is only one of the two signal honours that have been afforded to Mr. Bojanowicz. Later in the year he has been invited to sign the Roll of Honour of Distinguished Philatelists at the International Convention to be held this year in England. Our congratulations to him for this further accolade, which is considered the highest honour to be accorded to any philatelist.

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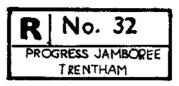
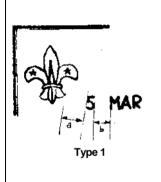
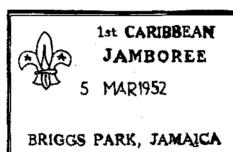


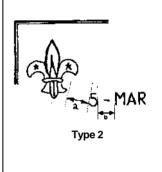


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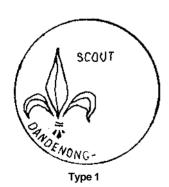
NEW ZEALAND ~: 1966 :~







JAMAICA ~: 1952 :~







AUSTRALIA ~: 1965 :~

#### THE 1966 NEW ZEALAND JAMBOREE

A combined article from reports by REG. MORRIS AND PETER DUCK.

Acknowledgments are also due to Club Members H. LEALMAN of Huttons Ambo, KEN WOOD of Plimmerton N.Z. and to the Director-General of the Wellington G.P.O. for the help given in piecing the story together.

THE STAMP. Denomination - 4 pence, this is of large vertical format in green and gold, with a background of feathers or fishbones (!) on a diamond-shaped chequered ground. A stylised sloping Scout Badge and four small stars in the formation of the Southern Cross are superimposed in gold. The inscription reads: "Progress Jamboree Scouts 1966".

#### FIRST DAY CANCELLATIONS.

The ordinary First Day of Issue cancellations were in use in Auckland, Christchurch, Dunedin and Wellington. So far three different illustrated covers have been seen, that were issued specifically for the Jamboree:

- 1. Jamboree Badge in green and gold, and reading "Fourth National Scouts Jamboree, New Zealand, 1966".
- 2. Multi-coloured design featuring a Kiwi superimposed on a Scout Badge with a background of Maori design.
- 3. The Boy Scouts Association Official cover featuring the design of a spacecraft orbiting New Zealand with the legend "Come into the future with Scouting".

#### THE CANCELLATIONS USED AT THE JAMBOREE.

From Tuesday, January 4th to Friday January 14th the single-ring cancel (only one hand-stamp in use) was used for mail in the Jamboree post Office. Peter and Reg. are at variance whether this cancel was used on Sunday, Jan, 9th. Peter says "Yes" but no examples have been seen. The figure "1" or "2" after the date in this cancel refers to the number of the clearance of the mail "1" being the morning and "2" the afternoon closing of the mails. Fig. 1 on page 46.

The special cancel with the Scout Badge was used on the Opening day only and was also used to cancel First Day Covers posted at the Jamboree on this date (Jan. 5th). It is understood that two of these hand-cancels with fixed date-slugs were in use but the differences between them have not yet been determined (if any). This cancel is illustrated on page 46, Fig. 3.

#### REGISTERED MAIL.

The registration labels are printed in blue on white paper with the letter "R" and the consecutive numbering at the top.

The wording "PROGRESS JAMBOREE - TRENTHAM" is added by means of a two-lined rubber hand-stamp and is in purple. This purple hand-stamp appears again on the registration counterfoil which appears to have had the registration label attached before use (Fig. 2, p. 46)

427 postal articles were accepted for registered post, but no doubt most of these were of philatelic interest and would have been posted on the first day. Strangely, Reg. Morris has a cover posted on the 10th Jan. with label No. 121 and Peter Duck has Nos. 24 and 25 posted on 5th Jan. and Nos. 26 and 27 which were posted on Jan 13th! These latter four covers were arranged for with the New Zealand G.P.O. Two other Registered FDCs that Peter has in his collection bear the numbers 35 and 39! In all cases of FDCs the special Scout badge cancel is used on the stamp, and the ring-type plain cancel on the receipts, which is surprising as the two cancels are generally applied at the same time, and it must have been a considerate postal clerk who so did them.

The apparent indiscriminate use of the registration lavels could be explained if the postal authorities prepared the Registered items as the orders came in, and then despatched them on the days requested. It would then be evident that the highest numbers would be on mail <u>handed in</u> for registration towards the end of the Jamboree. Could anyone with high numbered labels get in touch with Reg. or Peter to resolve this conjecture please.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION.

There were two deliveries to the camp daily, and two outwards despatches, one of each in the morning and afternoon.

Ten posting boxes were ranged round the camp, and these were cleared twice daily to connect with the outward mails.

44,000 postal articles were sent from the Jamboree Post Office, and these are said to include 22,000 FDCs. By contrast some 21,000 postal articles were received into the camp during the 10 days of business.

The stamps were put on general sale on Jan. 5th until Feb. 28th and from then until October 31st of this year they will be available from the Postal Division of the G.P.O., Wellington, subject to availability of stock.



by the Editor.

Some of you have probably seen the new Stanley-Gibbons loose-leaf album for the commemorative stamps of Great Britain. It contains illustrations and particulars of all such stamps that have been issued since 1924 when the first commemorative stamps for the British Empire Exhibition were put on sale. These albums follow the same pattern of others that have already been published.

There will undoubtedly be many collectors who will purchase one of these albums, because they underestimate their own ability by thinking that their writing and printing would not be good enough and would therefore spoil the look of the collection. Personally I dislike such albums; one cannot use ones' own imagination when arranging each sheet of stamps. I prefer to do my own writing up even although it does take time and is by no means as neat as the printed page when finished: I have, however, used my own ideas and this is what every collector should do.

Why have I mentioned all this? Perhaps you are a member of the local Philatelic Society and would like to enter for the annual competition, but are a little nervous of doing so. Well, don't be, unless your collection happens to be mounted in an illustrated album like the one I have mentioned above when I am quite certain you would be penalised and lose marks however complete and neatly mounted your collection may be, simply because the judges would rather competitors used their own imagination and did the writing up themselves; by so doing they learn far more about their stamps. Besides, most people who know very little about stamp collecting could, with a little patience, mount sets of stamps neatly in an illustrated album and in the end still know next to nothing about them!! Do you see what I mean?

#### PETER'S POT-POURRI

#### by Peter Duck.

#### AUSTRALIAN METER CANCELS.

GREG. ECCLESTON of Victoria, Australia has sent me a comprehensive list of all Australian meter cancels, and I list here, those which have not featured in earlier listings.

1963 HOBART, TAS. 'The Scout Shop for Scouting and Camping Equipment'.

1957 MELBOURNE 'Baden-Powell Centenary 1857-1957 Boy Scout Jubilee 1907-1957'

1959 MELBOURNE '1959 Gang Show 5th-13the June. Book at Brash's'

1965 MELBOURNE 'Gang Show, Tuesday 18th May to Saturday 22nd May. Palais Theatre, St. Kilda' B-P's Sketch of a Happy Scout).

---- MELBOURNE "Bob-a-Job-Week 14-21 Oct".

---- MELBOURNE 'Bob-a-Job-Week' (B-P's sketch of a Happy Scout)

Not very much is known about the last two as Greg. only has pictures of the slogans, the date being missing. The dates '14 Oct-21 Oct' fit with 1961, when the slogan 'bobs-a-Job Week 14 Oct-21 Oct' was used. The only other year that it would fit would be 1955! Or was it a rejected design because of the change about that time from 'Bob-a-Job' to 'Bobs-a-Job'. This has again been changed to 'Bobs-for-Jobs', and now that decimal currency has come in there will need to be a further change!

#### CANADA SLOGAN.

In 1965, in Toronto, a slogan reading 'Boy Scouts of Canada, Greater Toronto Region, 1162 Bay Street, Toronto 5, Ont.' has turned up.

CUBS ON STAMPS. STANLEY HUNTER writes to tell me I missed the one on the 2 baht value of the 1961 Thailand issue, and also asks if I was making an inspired guess about the Colombian and Roumanian Cubs - well, I suppose I was, but they do look too young to be Scouts!

The only cancel to be issued for a Cub event was that

from Japan in 1958, wrongly-described in the October Journal as being 1953. The confusion arises with the Japanese system of dating, which on this cancel reads '33' to which one must add a constant factor of 25 to get the correct date.

Letters coming from The Boy Scouts of Ceylon HQ bear a rubber-stamp cachet reading '1966 Cub Jubilee Year' in purple. Have members seen anything similar from elsewhere? Kenya has been mentioned.

#### UKRAINIAN SCOUT PLAST.

I am informed of another Ukrainian meter cancel from Toronto. This shows the Star of Bethlehem passing over a church (similar to that mentioned in my listing in the December Journal) but with the date '9 Dec. 1960'.

I am also told that the bearded gentleman listed on the 5th cancel is the Metropolitan (Bishop) SHEPTIZKY. I should be interested to hear from any Club Member who is a member of the Ukraining Scout Plast whether or not there are other Ukrainian Scout meter cancels, and the full significance of those already listed.

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## NEWS FROM THE S.A.G.S.S.A. (The Australian Society in case you've forgotten!)

From the second issue of their Journal, I read that membership has risen to 57 in the first seven and a half months, and as the publicity spreads, applications are arriving at the rate of four per week.

One of the Member's Adverts. says that the advertiser wishes to buy 1934 Frankston, 1936 Belair, 1938 Bradfield, and 1946 Loftus cancellations on covers. Oh well, they seem to have the same problems as us! I am even more convinced of that when I read that the Secretary "also wants articles for the Journal, Please"! Oh, yes. We do have the same problems!!!!

As a matter of interest, I hope that the Secretary will send me copies of their Journal, so that I can keep the members in the 'Old Country' up-to-date with their activities.

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by the assistant Editor.

A set of five stamps from Guatemala appeared at the beginning of March, the quantities being given as 1000,000 of the four lower values and 50,000 of the top value. Now 50,000 is not many stamps when one considers international demands. Take a look at your Club Catalogue and you will see what I mean. The moral is obvious - make sure you get what you need as soon as they appear.

The Club Catalogue is now published, and what a fine job of research has been put into it by A.H. NICHOLSON. But there are still gaps to be filled, and it is up to members to see that they find out the missing facts, quantities issued etc. and report these so that amendments and supplements can be made. There have already been several mistakes noted and these will be published in due course; however, it is one thing to throw bricks <u>after</u> the catalogue was published; it would have been better to supply the answers when Nick was seeking for information.

The set of 10 overprints on the Nicaragua Orchid set are in good supply at present, although there seems a shortage of the overprints on the miniature sheet (the 1957 one being used again).

Studying the market trends, I see that Mafeking prices have taken a real jump forward in the U.K. and combining the prices in auction with those asked by London dealers I append the current prices for good to fine copies:

1d. Goodyear £20. to £25.

Small 3d. Baden-Powell £28. to £36. USED COPIES

Large 3d. Baden-Powell £50. to £60.

As for mint copies, I heard of a mint 1d. with full gum selling at £55, and a small 3d. at £80! May I make it clear that these were not prices being <u>asked</u> but ones at which the stamps had <u>sold</u>. Of course, bad copies, or off-centre copies realise much less in price, and I did manage to get one or two at STAMPEX at fairly low prices.

The whole world must surely know about London's 'STAMPEX' by now; it was from Stanley Gibbons' stand that the Football World Cup was stolen - and Three Million Pounds (or 8½ million dollars) worth of stamps etc. were not touched!

There were other bargains to be had at STAMPEX! I hear that a BEL AIR cover was snapped up for a fraction of its value at 10/-, and cheap covers were found by those members who ploughed through boxes and boxes of them. Our friends of Healey and Wise had many tempting offers, and many members got their elusive Centrafricaine FDC there. Their new price list is published, and although they have pegged many of their prices, some have risen with the general upward trends, and I am told that they often have to pay more than their listed retail price to replace stock that has run out!

At the time of writing there have been many bids received from all continents for the Third Club Auction, and the book is heavily filled in most sections.

In the next issue of the Journal there will be a further Auction. This will include part of STANLEY BLUNT'S collection which is offered in suitable lots, and the entire proceeds without any deduction for the Club will go to Mrs. Blunt. Many of the covers are addressed to Stanley, and I feel that many of you would like to have a permanent link with him in the pages of your collection.

Let us see that we have a bumper attendance at the A.G.M. at ROLAND HOUSE on May 21st. I have just seen the details of the A.G.M. programme and this looks as if it is going to be one of the best yet. There will be the usual session of trading after the formal business, and I have decided to place on view the items from STAN BLUNT'S Collection that will feature in the auction, and also sell certain items from his Queen Elizabeth Colonial collection and most of the modern material from his Scout collection at that time.

I heard recently that a member bought a set of the three Mafeking stamps, and the following week entered them with other stamps from her collection in a "Four-page" competition at her local Philatelic Club. Our member was amazed to find she carried off the Silver Cup for the particular class. Well, if a Guide Captain can do that, what can the Scout Commissioners do?

#### ROUMANIA - 1934 AND 1936.

On the opposite page will be seen two further items from the collection of FREDY SCHERB.

The MAMAIA CONSTANTA cancel for the 3rd National Jamboree must rank as one of the scarcest cancels that there is, and for most of us in England, this is the first time that an example has been seen.

The second is a Registered cover from the 1936 BRASOV Jamboree, and the special handstamped registration marking can be easily seen in conjunction with a perfect strike of the circular date-stamp of the event.

The JOURNAL will publish photographs of these rare covers if good clear photographs are sent in. At present, only FREDY and BILL BOURKE have been submitting these photographs, and I would like to think that other members have special items that they could make available to all members through the pages of our magazine.

All photographs will be returned after publication, and they should be sent to the Assistant Editor. .........J.D.R.

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#### NEWS FROM THE S.O.S.S.I. JOURNAL

SOSSI members took a very active part in the INTERPEX exhibition in New York in March, and 24 frames of 16 pages each were reserved for their members' exhibits. This stimulated even greater interest in Scout Philately and the Movement as a whole.

DAVE KITTS writes that there was a 100 cruzeiros souvenir sheet issued in association with the recent Brazil stamp - not to be confused with the numbered cards with the stamp design printed thereon - the figure of an issue of 30,000 being mentioned.

Any news of this? To the Editorial staff please.

An error on the 15 piastre value of the Lebanon set of 1962 is reported - an oval-shaped flaw under the Arabic figures to the right of the trefoil.

A misperforated variety of the 1962 U.S.A. Girl Scout stamp is illustrated - the vertical lines are misplaced to the extent of nearly half the width of the stamp! Well what do you know!





#### SCOTTISH SCOUT CONFERENCE\_

Report by the Scottish Representative.

The 1965 Conference of the Boy Scouts Association in Scotland was held in Ayr, 4th/5th December. A Social Evening was held in the Dam Park Stadium with the theme - 'World Scouting'.

The Club's Display of "Scouts on Stamps" formed a major part of the exhibit. In addition to organising the Stamps, I prepared related displays for our friends, "The Badgers Club" "The Scout Esperanto Club", and the proposed "Scout Press Club".

As expected, the Display proved a meeting-place for many of the Club's Scottish members who attended the Conference - Jim GRASSOM, Alex McKILLOP, George CLARK, Robert McSHERERY, David JEFFERIES (Scottish HQ), and Jack D. STEWART, O.B.E., the International Commissioner for Scotland, were some of those I chatted with.

The Display was a great success and many enquiries were received. David JEFFERIES, Asst. Scottish Secretary and Development Commissioner for Scotland, assisted by ensuring a most attractive point for the exhibits. A special thanks is also due to Jim GRASSOM and his good lady, who provided me with full hospitality at their home in nearby Dalmellington during the weekend. Finally, on behalf of the Club, I would like to thank the Scouts and P.L's of the 68th Ayrshire (St. Margarets) Troop for helping me to arrange the Display - in return for a special preview the previous evening!

The Display was also on show at the Scout County Annual Meetings of Glasgow and Dunbartonshire, the International Commissioner's Conference at Hermitage Scout Hostel, Edinburgh & at the Northern District Scouters' Council, Glasgow.

STANLEY K. HUNTER.

#### MORRIS'S MUSINGS! by REG MORRIS.

#### JAMAICA 1952.

I wonder how many of you know of the two distinct varieties of cancels of the 'BRIGGS PARK' cancel of Jamaica, 1952? Basically the difference is the 'with hyphen' and 'without hyphen' in the date, but in the case of light cancels the hyphen does not necessarily show. If you look at the illustration on page 46 it will be clear that there are other differences of measurements, the actual details being as follows:

#### TYPE I.

A. No dash between '5' and 'MAR' Dash between '5' and 'MAR'

TYPE II.

- B. Measurement 'a' 6 mm. Measurement 'a' 6.5 mm
- C. Measurement 'b' 4 mm Measurement 'b' 4.5 mm

#### 'PERFINS'

To refresh your memory, these are stamps perforated with the initials or device of the user, and are so perforated for security purposes in large firms and organisations. In addition to my British "B.S.A." Perfins that I reported some while ago, I have now discovered that the Danish Scout Headquarters used perfins with the perforated design of an ornate fleur-de-lys. The ones (two in fact) that I have heard of were used in 1924, coincidentally the same year as the Ermelunden Jamboree. Has anyone any further news on this subject?

#### 1957 JAMBOREE SLOGAN CANCELS.

For some time now, I have been doing some research on the FOUR different dies that were used from the 1st August onwards for mail that was sent from the Jubilee Jamboree. Would you look through your collection to see if you have any of the following date and time combinations and PLEASE let me know if you are prepared to let me have a look at them for this further study.

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Au	ug 4th						7	p.m.
Au	ug 5th	9.30	a.m.	2 p.m.	5	p. m.		
Au	ug 6th				5	p. m.	7	p.m.
Au	ug 7th			2 p.m.			7	p.m.
Au	ug 8th			2 p.m.	5	p. m.	7	p.m.
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#### AUSTRALIA 1964/5.

There are various subtle differences in design of the three gum-leaves forming the Scout emblem of this cancellation, but the easiest recognition can be determined from the RIGHT-HAND leaf, as viewed and the position of the central vein-line where it joins the outer frame.

- Type I. Centre-line starts on left from the UPPER edge of leaf and finishes at the right on the LOWER edge.
- Type II. Centre-line starts on left BETWEEN the upper and lower edges and finishes on the LOWER edge at the right.
- Type III Centre-line starts BETWEEN the two edges at the left and finishes on the UPPER leaf-edge at the right.

The three designs are illustrated on page 46.

At present I have TWO addresses; write to me at either!

- (1) 58 Sea View Drive, SCARBOROOUGH, Yorks.
- (2) c/o 776 Great West Road, OSTERLEY, Middlesex.

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#### NEWS FROM ALL QUARTERS:

A set of four stamps from DAHOMEY expected in September.

Two stamps from Upper Volta in June (Face val. 10f and 15f)

A publicity slogan cancel will be used in connection
with the Swiss National Camp this Summer.

Now that the Catalogue is published, work is going ahead on the preparation of a priced check-list of all Scout issues and FDC's, and this should be available later in the year.

The SALES BUREAU now has stock of REG. Morris's book on the stamps and cancels of GREECE. Price 3/- post paid. Orders to Chas. Seaton.

There will be a Scout Stamp Exhibition in July in LAA, Austria. On May 1st an issue of a Scout stamp (face 7 won) will be issued in Korea. No Souvenir Sheets this time.

I hope to meet many of our members in Belgium at a meeting to be arranged on June 5th. Other SSCC members may join me for this weekend trip, and I shall be exhibiting a specialised range of Scout stamps and covers from Mafeking onwards.

............J.D.R.



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Would you like to do a good turn? Members at home and abroad can help to raise funds for the Handicapped Scouts and Guides of the Trefoil School, Gogar, Edinburgh, Scotland, by saving used stamps from their mail, both from their own countries and from abroad. Collect all you can and send them to: MRS. ISOBEL JARDINE, ESKMILL HOUSE, PENICUIK, MIDLOTHIAN, SCOTLAND.

Editorial Note: The Trefoil School for Physically Handicapped Children is a most worthy cause for us to give our support, and we are being asked to do so in a way which involves us in no other expense than the price of the postage. Mrs. Jardine's first request last year met with NO response at all! Surely we can do better than this ?........................J.D.R.

R.H. JENKINSON, 10 Chichester Road, Crookes, Sheffield 10, Yorkshire, is searching for Great Britain Regionals (especially the 2½d. vals.) in quantity. Offers please to Mr. Jenkinson direct.

Member R.G. JENKINSON writes, (amongst others), to tell me that I omitted a very important award to one of our founder-members. In January the Chief Scout awarded a Bar to the Medal of Merit to WILF NODDER for his further outstanding services to Scouting as District Scoutmaster of the Bath and District L.A. Mr. Jenkinson and Wilf were in the same Patrol in 1958 at Gilwell for the Part II of a Senior Scout Wood Badge Course (I wonder if their S.T.A. was S.T.A. MPS?)

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ERHARD STERMOLE, Flat 7, 35 Ingles Street, Port Melbourne, Victoria, Australia, has a number of covers with the cancel of the "Senior Scout Venture, Perth W.A." and meter cancellations as used at the Victorian Scout H.Q. available for exchange with members for other Scout cancels. Offers please, in the first instance, to Mr. Stermole direct.

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JOS SUY, from Antwerp advises that the 50 years of Sea Scouting cancel will be used on May 7th and 8th. Special numbered cards, seals and a brochure are available. P.L.D. members will be catered for. Other requests PRIOR to event to be made to Jos. Suy, Van Vaerenberghstraat 92, Berchem-Antwerp, Belgium.

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