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EDITORIAL

It is with the deepest regret that I have to record the passing of one of our Area Representatives, George Eyeran of New York, U.S.A. With Frank Jones, he has done trojan work in enrolling members in America and Canada and our sympathies go out to his wife and family, especially Janius, his son, who is a junior member of the S.S.C.C.

Please note the special announcement below and do your best to support the President.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

A meeting has been arranged to take place at the East London Scout Settlement, Roland House, 29 Stepney Green, London, E.1 (two minutes from Stepney Green Tube Station) on Saturday 30th. May at 2 p.m. This is a grand opportunity for members to meet one another, swop yarns and stamps and see members displays. Please make a note of the date NOW and do your best to attend.

JUNIOR SECTION

Dear Juniors,

I am a little disappointed not to have received an article from any of you juniors. Perhaps writing an article is too much like doing an English essay for homework! Yet, if you have a subject in which you are interested, it isn't so very difficult to write something about it, is it?

It is over twenty years ago that I started writing philatelic articles. Perhaps I was lucky, for the first one I sent to an Editor of a magazine was accepted. Since then I have had nearly one hundred published, all of them about the stamps and postal history of three countries.

I'm sure a lot of you study your stamps so how about writing and telling me what you think about them?

Have you seen the slogan for the Philippine Jamboree? There will be an illustration of it in the next Journal. Lots of collectors nowadays collect slogan postmarks as a sideline and a very interesting one it can be too. Some countries, like Switzerland and France, produce some really artistic ones and wisely arrange for the machine to print them, not on the stamp itself, but to the left of it, on the envelope, so that the stamp is not badly obliterated and the whole of the slogan is visible.

Well, if I have interested you, why not start a sideline collection of slogan postmarks, a sideline which is not expensive and which can be of interest to those who do not collect stamps.

I will send a copy of Entwistle's "Boy Scout & Girl Guide Stamps of the World" to the Junior who sends in the best short

article on stamps or postal history. Entries should reach me by August 15th. next, the closing date.

Good hunting to you all.

I have received an extremely interesting letter from Bjorn Hermond of Gothenburg, Sweden (Member No. 213) who gives details of the Swedish Camps being held this summer in his country. I shall be including this information in the next Journal. Thanks a lot, Bjorn.

When writing to any of the Club officials will you kindly give your membership number. This will help them immensely.

NOTES FROM THE SECRETARY & TREASURER

1. It is with the deepest regret that I have to record the death of U.S. Committeeman George Eyeran on March 25th. Whilst I had never met him personally I know that he has always given freely of his time and services for the benefit of the Club, and I feel I have lost a real friend. Our sympathies are with Mrs. Eyeran and the family.
2. For any recent small delays in answers to correspondence I must ask your indulgence - I have been moving (or partly). As far as I can see it for the future, from Mondays to Fridays my address will be 65 Hillside, Horsham, Sussex, and at the weekends I will be at Seaford. The delays usually arise because the items ordered are at the wrong place, and I have to wait until my next visit to deal with your request.
3. Sales Bureau. From the recent New Zealand Jamboree we have First Day cacheted covers with the special cancel at 1/- each, and First Day airmail ditto 1 6d. Unfortunately only a few of the airmail are available, so I must restrict them to one per member. Post extra please.
Please don't ask for items from the last Journal; we have no Greek or Formosa items left. 2 or 3 copies of the book "Boy Scout & Girl Guide stamps of the World" remain at 2/6d. each. (U.S. members please note that the postage on this to them is about 2/10d.)
4. Philippine World Jamboree. Members are asking whether we shall have special covers for sale; at the moment I cannot be sure, but I have every hope that we shall have supplies.
5. On 26.2.59 we finished our second financial year. Income from all sources in the previous 12 months, including monies raised by the Sales Bureau and the Mail Sales, totalled £88.4.5½d. Expenditure, including Sales Bureau purchases,

totalled £81.14.3d., leaving a balance of £6.10.2½d. Unfortunately this margin is not large enough to justify the printing of our next major project, a priced list of all Scout and Guide stamps issued to date. But as soon as we can manage it, we shall produce the list - to the sure satisfaction of lots of members.

6. Latest membership number is 214; the last 7 members included one from South Africa, one from Sweden, 3 from U.S.A., and 2 from the U.K.
7. A personal note. My advert, in the last issue about an Approval selection was largely tentative, and I have been surprised at the extent of the requests. I have prepared two selections which will be sent to all those who have asked in due course, but forgive me if it seems to take some time to reach you. Quite a number of overseas members have asked for a selection, but postal and Customs difficulties make this impossible, I'm afraid.
8. Mail Auction Sale. To clear the G.B. Gilwell Reunion covers, I invite bids for a packet of six covers.
Since bids for the latest Sale are still coming in, this is the only item this time.

DO YOU KNOW THAT -

- a. A London dealer recently offered the large B.P. Mafeking stamp mint at £25!!!
- b. The two 1918 Czecho Slovakian covers mentioned in the last Journal realised £14!!
- c. Scout material at the National stamp exhibition at the Central Hall, Westminster - STAMPEX to you - was conspicuous by its almost complete absence!

With this issue is included an attractive transfer issued by the Commonwealth Bank of Australia at the recent New-South Wales Corroboree at Nelson Bay near Newcastle, N.S.W. A supply for the Society was acquired by courtesy of the Manager of the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, London, thanks to our President.

It is understood that a temporary post office is being set up at the Scout Jamboree to be held at Ruwa, Southern Rhodesia from May 3rd. to 12th: the cancellation reads "Scout Jamboree, Ruwa, S.R." and will be used on all mail passing through the office during this period. I am hoping to obtain some covers and, if so, will give further particulars in the next issue of the Journal.

RESEARCH TOPIC

FOURTH WORLD JAMBOREE

My investigations into the World Jamboree held in Hungary in 1933 have produced a number of interesting comments from members and I am taking the liberty of quoting from their letters. Member 176, Mr. B.H. BANATHY, writing from California, U.S.A., had the good fortune to be present at the Jamboree, and states that the jamboree symbol, the leaping stag, has a reference to a different historical legend from the one I quoted. Mr. Banathy quoted the following extract from the speech B.P. himself delivered at the Jamboree:

"The Hungarian hunters of old pursued the miraculous Stag, not because they expected to kill it, but because it led them on in the joy of the chase to new trails and fresh adventures, and so to capture happiness. You may look at that White Stag as the pure spirit of Scouting, springing forward and upward, ever leading you onward and upward, to leap over difficulties, to face new adventures in your active pursuit of the higher aims of Scouting - aims which bring you happiness."

Mr. Banathy concluded that according to the ancient legend it was the miraculous White Stag which led the ancestors of the Hungarians towards their present country.

Thanks Mr. Banathy - but in my own defence I must say that I got my own version direct from the columns of "The Times".

One of our latest recruits, BJORN HERMOND of Sweden, tells me that the specimen cover from the Gödöllö Jamboree in his collection has the cancellation letter "m", plus a special registration label. It is numbered 277 (in green on white) and addressed to England.

Mr. N. READ (member No.6) from Bournemouth, has a registered postcard on which all 5 cancellations have date -933 Aug 25 -; the registration label is green on white, numbered 43; R. Ajanlott is in orange-red, and the cancellation letter "f".

Thanks members for the "gen". Before we go on to our next topic, has anyone anything to add about the 4th. World Jamboree?

SOME FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE 4th. WORLD JAMBOREE AT GODOLLO,
HUNGARY - by THE PRESIDENT

Attended by 21,000 Scouts from 32 countries and sixteen parts of the British Empire. The efficiency of the postal organisation depended upon a special two-way clearance between Godollo and Budapest, which is clearly shown on the mail by the use of four

cachets, two for surface and two for air mail. All four are worded "CSATLAKOZO LEGIPOSTATJARAT BUDAPEST - GODOLLO" or vice versa. (The President sent me a "rubbed" drawing of the large brass badge worn by the Jamboree post office officials which I shall illustrate in the next issue. Editor).

A description of the cachets are:-

Surface Mail Inward ...	wording in semi-circle and fleur-de-lys	colour blue
" " Outward ...	ditto	colour brown
Air mail, Inward	wording in circle and monoplane and a stag facing left	colour yellow
" Outward	Ditto with stag facing right	colour green

Details of the set of five stamps:-

Perf. 15, issued 10th. July 1933, watermark, double. cross and pyramid. Number issued 130,317.

One of the rarities of this event are the slightly enlarged set of imperforate colour trials.

The post office double line cancellation can be found lettered 'a' to 'm'. The airmail labels referred to by Howard Fears are printed in miniature sheets of four and there are four colours - red, brown, green and blue: the labels showing the open-mouthed Scout and globe exist in brown, blue and green. There are also two imperforate labels showing a Scout and three model aircraft - orange and blue and brown and black: there are also at least two other types of labels.

Amongst several other items of interest are -

- a. Cards bearing both the inward and outward cachets.
- b. A special meter machine franking which is extremely rare.
- c. Special Esperanto souvenir sheet.
- d. Special Graf Zeppelin flight covers and finally, a rare souvenir card bearing the four airmail labels franked with the four cachets, the 'b' cancellation in the centre and signed by the Chief, Lord Baden-Powell. It is believed that these were made for presentation to the distinguished guests at a reception and that only 15 exist.

OVERPRINTED G. B. JUBILEE JAMBOREE STAMPS USED IN KUWAIT

by the Editor

You will remember my discussing the flaws etc., which may be found on the overprinted Jamboree stamps and the reason why none were issued for use in Kuwait (Volume 1, No.4 of the Journal). I am indebted to "Stamp Collecting" for the follow-

ing information, which I am sure, will be of interest.

There have been occasions in the past when Muscat stamps, surcharged with local currency on G.B. K.G.VI and Q.E.II issues, have been used in Kuwait due to a shortage of stamps bearing the Kuwait overprint, but, as far as is known, no Bahrain or Qatar stamps have been used there until 1957.

The total number of Jubilee Jamboree sets, postmarked in Kuwait between August 10th. 1957 and March 27th. 1958 were:-

Bahrain	7 sets) All postmarked AHMADI, 10.8.57 on
Qatar	7 sets) paired covers.
Muscat	83 sets	

Of the 83 Muscat sets, 18 were postmarked KUWAIT, 21.10.57, in vertical pairs and the remaining 65 sets were all on cover, 10 being registered. Details of the office and date of cancellation on the covers are listed hereunder:-

AHMADI, 10.8.57	on paired covers	17 sets
KUWAIT, 21.10.57	on paired or single covers .	30 sets
AHMADI, 29.12.57	on paired covers	4 sets
AHMADI, 29,12,57	on paired registered covers	1 set
MINA AL AHMADI, 30.12.57	on paired registered covers	1 set
MINA AL AHMADI, 30.12.57	on paired covers	4 sets
AHMADI, 26.3.58	on paired registered covers	4 sets
MINA AL AHMADI, 27.3.58	on paired registered covers	4 sets
a total of 65 sets.		

In most cases, sets were postmarked on paired covers - one cover having a 15 nP value, thus making the airmail rate of 40nP for ½ oz, to England, and the other cover bearing a 75 nP Jamboree stamp with a 5 nP Kuwait stamp, making up the 1 oz. airmail letter rate. Registered covers are all paired - one bearing the 15 nP and 25 nP Jamboree values and the Kuwait 40 nP, QEII, and the other a 75 nP Jamboree stamp with a 5 nP Kuwait, in both cases making the registered ½ oz. airmail rate.

A very small number of covers passed through the Kuwait post office in October 1957 bearing odd values of the Muscat Jamboree stamps, used in conjunction with Kuwait stamps, all these covers being for local delivery. A summary of these covers are -

one cover bearing 15 nP and 75 nP Jamboree stamps with a 15 nP Kuwait
" " " 25 nP " 75 nP " " " " 15 nP "
" " " 15 nP " 25 nP " " " " 9 nP "
two " each bearing 75 nP Jamboree stamp with a 15 nP Kuwait.

I would not dare to suggest what any of these covers are really worth or what one should expect to pay for them should any be offered: my personal view is that they were accepted by the Kuwait postal clerks by complaisance - obviously, the use of either Muscat, Qatar or Bahrain Jamboree stamps on any of this mail was not essential since there was no shortage of any values of Kuwait stamps at the time and therefore their

use would be considered by the "purist" postal historian as being unnecessary and, because of the decree issued by the Ruler of Kuwait, illegal. Again, I would not dare to suggest that such covers are not of interest, neither would I condemn them out of hand from being placed in a collection of Scout stamps. What I do suggest, however, is that you weigh up the pros and cons carefully yourself and, if you should acquire any of these covers, remember that they are "just interesting Scout covers" and not to tear out all your hair, if, should you ever have need to sell them, they fetch only a fraction of what you paid for them!

The columns of this Journal are open to anyone who wishes to criticise what I have said, so - over to you.

INVESTMENT GUIDE by Howard Fears

At the request of numerous members, I will devote my remarks in this issue to the results of the First and Second Mail Auction Sales. Firstly, however, I must emphasise that the prices realised are not completely true market guides: some bids represented more than an item's true worth and could be interpreted as partial donations to the Club's funds. On the other hand, there were some distinct "snips".

The item which attracted most bids was Lot No.4 from the Second Sale:

"First Day cover from the Australian Girl Guides Association Corroboree Camp at St. Ives, N.S.W., with colourful cachet, and signed (28.8.57)". About a dozen people bid for this - ranging from 4d. to 8/- (at which it was sold). The average was 2/6d. to 3/-. It is interesting to note that by comparison U.S. cacheted covers - without special Scout postmarks - only received 3 or 4 bids, and were usually sold for 1/6d. to 2/-.

Lots 8 and 9 in the Second Sale, the cloth badges from Australian Jamborees, also had many bids, and the 4 badges fetched a total in excess of £1. Yet in the First Sale, Lot 11 (1957 U.K. Set of 3 covers, with official Scout, Moot and Indaba cachets, each bearing Scout 2½d. value, posted on Aug. 1st. in Bristol), only 2 bids were received, and the covers fetched an average of 5d. each. Similarly, no one seemed interested in the Fine used copy of the G.B. 1957 Scout 1/3d, value, which must be regarded as a bargain at 4d.

It was hardly surprising that the mint block of 4 of the 1951 Austrian 1 schilling Scout stamp fetched 10/- (item 2 of the First Sale), but I was astonished at the low valuation put on item 8 in the same Sale by U.K. members. This item - Brazil 1957, Souvenir sheet, with cachet, plus 1957 Scout stamp tied with special Scout cancel, - I had seen on offer by dealers at half-a-guinea, or more, but to judge by bids from U.K. members, it was considered that 2/- was more appropriate. It was almost with relief that an American member's offer of 2½ dollars (about 17/6d.) reached me before the final date.

Dutch and Swedish items are popular, and can be relied upon to produce 5 or 6 bids. The Cover from Dutch Scout H. Q. bearing Scout H. Q. cancel (Item 2 in the Second Sale) fetched 3/- and the 1955 Sweden Rogsjolagret cancel on cover 5/3d.

What advice can members glean from these few remarks? Chiefly, that even a small bid may be successful, but, in addition, that if you need an item, think what you would expect to pay a dealer, and bid accordingly. By the way - grateful thanks to those who have contributed the items, and thanks for anything else you may send.

PAGES FROM MY CHIT-CHAT DIARY - PAGE FOUR. by Len Bowen.

What shall we talk about this time? My thoughts, personally have been dwelling on our Club - its supports and foundations. In the course of meeting and chatting to different members and reading the issues of the Journal since the Club was formed nearly 2½ years ago, I am today amazed, almost astounded at the strength and future potential possibilities of our Club. I don't profess to be any sort of expert in Scout Philately, but I am an old-timer - since the days in 1932 when I read the "Stamp Corner" in "The Scout" which advised Boy Scout stamp collectors to mount the Scout stamps of Hungary, Czecho-Slovakia, Roumania and Liechtenstein on a special page, leaving room for the 1933 Hungarian Godollo issue, and then to add any sport stamps on badge activities - stamps that would fit in - thus having a basic collection on which to build. Over the years I have met and corresponded with a number of stalwarts at home end abroad, people who were past masters at Scout philately before any philatelic Scouters catered for this subject, and now I find the majority of them have, of their own free will, joined up with us and are actively supporting the S. S. C. C., contributing specialised articles and other information to our Journal as well as "spreading the gospel" in their own countries. I refer to such internationally known stalwarts as WIM SIX of Holland, CLAUDE MARCHAL of France, FRANK JONES and the late GEORGE EYERMAN of the U. S. A., ROY RHODES of England, to name but a few. Blend with that lot our extreme good fortune in the tip-top qualities of our volunteer officers - WILF NODDER was well-known to me before the S. S. C. C. came into being as the Editor of the splendid Journal of the Rhodesian Study Circle, another past master in his own right. Add to this a London business house executive with the energy, drive and business experience of HOWARD FEARS - who else could travel from Brighton to London, do a hectic day at the office, another two hours ride home and then make enough time to run two Scout troops each week and also do a rattling good job as Secretary/Treasurer to a club of over 200 members? Further to this, add another piece of good

fortune - the Director of the International Bureau, Maj. Gen. D. SPRY, being already a philatelist - a specialist in Canada and British North America - has continuously rendered us active support in many ways. Now mix in a goodly sprinkling of "lesser experts", all actively giving voluntary services to the Club in many different ways - such as addressing 200 odd Journal envelopes every other month or acting as an area organiser or getting things for the Club (at reduced prices), stir up with a big spoon labelled "The International Scout Spirit" - not used to "stir up" the normal philatelic society - and the final result is the S.S.C.C. Now can you see why I am astounded at the strength and the future possibilities of our Club? It's foundations are solidly built, carry on the good work, everyone.

Turning to another subject, I notice that the British Scout H.Q. are appealing for funds to help build B-P House as a residential Scout Centre in London. Don't you think we could make a contribution somehow? Supposing we all sorted out a really good duplicate item, something worth a few shillings and made a personal sacrifice and sent it to the Secretary for a GRAND BADEN POWELL HOUSE AUCTION, I'm certain we could make a worth while sum to contribute to B.P.'s memory. After all, he is the basic reason for the existence of our Scout stamp collections which give us so much pleasure.

I expect you have noticed the adverts. in stamp magazines for the current Scout stamps. Look at this selection -

1958 Pakistan Scout Jamboree. Set of 2.

- a. 1/- per set - small part-time dealer operating from home address.
- b. 1/2 per set - ordinary stamp dealer in provinces.
- c. 1/10 per set - soundly established dealer in the heart of the City of London.

1959 New Zealand Scout Jamboree, one stamp.

- a. 4d. mint or used - small ordinary dealer.
- b. 6d. " " " - world famous stamp dealing firm in the Strand - the street of stamp dealers.

Now, bearing in mind that postage is 3d. each way if sending off for your album requirements, it looks a sound proposition for members not living or working within calling distance of a cheap dealer, to band together and send a combined order to the cheapest advertiser. By this method, one's purchases come out at an average price, more or less. Personally, I've always operated the "swings and roundabouts" policy in all my philatelic purchases: as prices climb in the future, as assuredly they will, so will the average price rise. So don't be disappointed if you are not in a position to purchase direct over the counter from the cheapest advertiser when the new sets are first being advertised.

Well, that will have to be the lot for this time. I'll be

having another chat with you soon.

(I would like to endorse Len's suggestion of a B.P. House Auction. Let's have your views on the subject. Editor).

We welcome the following new members and hope they will find many pleasurable hours of comradeship with other members of the S.S.C.C.

- 208 W. GRANT MENZIES, 1 POORT ROAD, LADYSMITH, NATAL, SOUTH AFRICA.
- 209 P. HORTON, 58 GLEBE STREET, WALSALL, STAFFS.
- 210 J. CONNELL, R. D. BOX 83, HENNIKER, NEW HAMPSHIRE, U. S. A.
- 211 JOHN OWEN, 1318, 39th. STREET, PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA, U. S. A.
- 212 PETER J. DUCK, 84 CHISWICK LANE, LONDON, W. 4.
- 213 BJORN HERMOND, GOTABERGS GATAN 5, GOTHENBURG C, SWEDEN. ✕

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

- 11 L. A. DAVIDSON, HOUSEBOAT "COMFY", RIVERSIDE, OFF PRETORIA ROAD BRIDGE, CAMBRIDGE, CAMBS.
- 81 J. J. JUHASZ, RD1, DOGWOOD HILL, BOUND BROOK, NEW JERSEY, U. S. A.
- 109 J. ROGERS, BOX 1046, EDGEWOOD, MARYLAND, U. S. A.
- 146 H. HANSELL RITTER, 134 W. MT. AIRY AVENUE, PHILADELPHIA 19, PA, U. S. A.
- THE HON. SECRETARY, HOWARD FEARS, 65 HILLSIDE, HORSHAM, SUSSEX.

RESIGNATIONS. Members nos. 79, 80 and 114.

The preparation of this number has had to be rushed owing to my misfortune in being laid low for seven weeks with a nasty bout of 'flu and pneumonia. I wouldn't wish it on my worst enemy! I hope your copy reaches you in time for you to book up for the S.S.C.C. Meeting in London on May 30th.

Sincerely Yours,
WILF NODDER.

ADVERTS.

COVERS AND STAMPS FOR SALE: -

- 1959 PHILIPPINES Jamboree slogan on cacheted cover 3/6
- 1958 GREECE, "1st. Philea" cacheted cover, green, black brown or blue 3/6 each
- 1959 NEW ZEALAND, Pan Pacific F. D. C. 1/6
- 1958 GREECE Girl Guide Cover, Aghios Andreas Camp 3/-
- 1957 QATAR, MUSCAT, BAHRAIN, Jamboree set of 3 mint or used 3/- each

advert. continued overleaf

1939 HUNGARY, Airmail set of 3, mint 3/-
1958/9 PAKISTAN Jamboree pair, plus 6 pies Plate 2
(3 stamps) 2/-
1937 DUTCH INDIES, Jamboree pair, superb mint 4/6

Postage extra. Cash with order. Other items available.
R. E. RHODES, 38 RICHMOND AVENUE, HIGHAMS PARK, LONDON, E. 4.

Would be pleased to hear from other members who have the following for sale or exchange - Neckerchiefs, woggles, Scout belt buckles, Scout badges and patches.
BRUCE E. ROSS, 158 LINCOLN AVENUE, EAST PATERSON, NEW JERSEY, U. S. A.

WANTED - Scout uniform belts of all countries. English belts (or other Scout material on request) offered in exchange, or cash if required.
D. C. START, 34 WOODRIFFE ROAD, LEYTONSTONE, LONDON E. 11.

I am interested in purchasing special covers of Scout events -
JOHN J. JUHASZ, RD1, DOGWOOD HILL, BOUND BROOK, NEW JERSEY, U. S. A.

WANTED TO EXCHANGE - Postmarks from any Post Offices in Great Britain - Write to - E. G. HELSDON, 4 BROADMOOR VALE, WESTON, BATH.

I have extensive supply of spare Scouting philatelic material I would exchange with other members spares, including many B.P. letters and Displaced Persons Camp Scout Mail seals. Please write to BOB SHAW, 18 MAPLEWOOD DRIVE, LIVINGSTON, NEW JERSEY, U. S. A.

FOR SALE -
Covers etc. Apply to G. F. HILL, 45 QUEEN'S ROAD, ASHLEY DOWN, BRISTOL 7. (Please include extra 1/- if you wish purchase(s) to be sent Registered Post).
1956 Sweden Galo Scout Camp cover
1955 Virserum " " "
1957 Denmark Arhus " " "
1957 Odense " " "
1956 Germany Brexbachtal (Lagerpost) Bendorf Postcard.
All above at 3/6 each.
1957 Sweden Skara Guide Camp (Registered cover) 5/-
1957 Austrian Postcard with special Scout postmark 1/-
1958 Greece, Guide Jamboree F. D. C. cacheted 3/-
1959 New Zealand Pan Pacific Jamboree F. D. C. 1/3
