

EDITORIAL

It is sometimes a good thing to pause and reflect on that which has passed before one starts planning for the future.

The Club has been in existence for nearly four years and the time seems opportune to ask ourselves a few questions. What have we achieved? Have we done what we set out to do? Have we given the service expected of us? Obviously, we haven't pleased everyone, for we are by no means supermen, but if we have pleased the majority most of the time, then we are on the right road.

The officers of the club have recently given much thought to the Club's future: it is their unanimous opinion that certain improvements can and should be made. The Secretary General has, in his usual concise manner set down these aims in a short article which appears elsewhere in this issue. As you will see, decisions affecting the Journal are included: in January it will have a "new look", will contain more reading matter, and will, we hope, because of its improved layout, meet with your approval.

It will, of course, mean that we shall be able to increase the number of articles in each issue. My plea for more contributions, which I have made in the past, is thus all the more imperative; there must be well over a hundred members who have not as yet put pen to paper. Surely fifty or even twenty-five of these could write something over the next twelve months! Need I say more?

Just one more thing: when you send in any contributions, please see that they reach me before the 16th of the month prior to each issue; it will then make it possible for the Journal to be despatched by the beginning of the month.

My grateful thanks to our Assistant Secretary, Mr Blunt, for his co-operation and help in planning the "new Journal".

JUNIOR SECTION

Dear Juniors,

I wonder how many of you could make a list of the essential items needed when starting a stamp collection? Have a shot at it before reading any further..... Have you finished it? Right, now let's see if your list agrees with mine, shall we? In mine, I am going to give you my reasons for choosing them and also a few tips which I hope you will find of use.

First and foremost - an illustrated stamp album: this may be either a bound one or loose-leafed. Personally, I favour the latter for Juniors because it has certain advantages - you can easily arrange your collection to your own liking, by removing pages for the stamps of countries in which you may not at first

be interested; you can add blank pages in their correct place for the countries whose stamps appeal to you and of which you may be able to collect more easily; in a blank-album, to insert pages is not easy and the result often looks untidy: furthermore it is quite easy to remove any pages of the loose-leafed type if you wish to display them at an exhibition.

Next on my list comes a stamp catalogue. Even the advanced collector or specialist, as he is called, needs to refer, at some time or another, to a catalogue, whether it be a simplified one or a philatelic encyclopaedia. For the junior collector, Gibbon's "Simplified" catalogue is, to my mind, the most useful; it is well illustrated and contains all the young collector needs. I know that not all of you are able to afford to buy one every time it is published - usually every year - and therefore a second-hand copy is better than none at all. If your pocket won't run even to this, then I am sure you could come to some arrangements with a chum who does possess one, to share it. If you belong to a Pack, Troop or Company, why not ask your Scouter or Guider to try to get one for your library? (Adult members of the S.S.C.C. who are in the Movement and who perchance read these notes, please take the hint!!

Not everyone Will agree with my choice of the next item - a pair of stamp tweezers. You will probably say "Why list these, surely they aren't really necessary?" I think all young collectors should start stamp collecting the right way, and one of the rules of collecting is "Treat your stamps. with care". Fingering stamps with grubby, sticky fingers will certainly not improve them, will it? You will never see a real stamp collector - perhaps we should say a philatelist - finger his stamps when mounting them in his album or examining them; he will always use tweezers. He treats his stamps with care because (a) they cost money, (b) they are fragile pieces of paper and will not withstand a lot of rough handling, and (c) he is (or should be) proud of them. So see if we can remember to treat the stamps in our collection with care - they will last longer for other people, as well as ourselves, to enjoy looking at.

In the next Journal I shall continue discussing the items on my list; yes, I have several more, so until January, good collecting to you all.

Finally, a word about your competition; one, yes ONE junior sent in answers to the questions listed in the July Journal. Well, well, I'm sure it wasn't all that hard and I can only conclude you are not really interested in competitions, so we won't bother about them in the future. Leong Chee Keng, Member 222, who sent in a correct set of answers, has been sent a set of 1957 Cuban Scout stamps in blocks of four. Good for you, Leong, and we hope they will find a place in your collection. Our thanks are due to our Secretary General, Mr Fears, for presenting the prize.

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Reference was made in our last issue to the Pakistan Scout stamp shortly to be issued. It will commemorate the 3rd National Pakistan Jamboree which will be held at Lahore from 24th to 31st December 1960. Member No. 222, Leong Chee Keng, will have a small supply of these stamps available.

THE CADILLAC LOCAL POST ISSUES
by James R. D. Yeaw (Member No. 215)

To commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America, the Cadillac Local Post of Cape May Peninsula, New Jersey, U. S. A. issued four commemorative postal items.

They are:-

1. Stamp, issued February 8, 1960, in brown. Printed on linen paper in strips of four, un gummed. First Day Covers unknown.
2. Envelope with corner-card of the National Association of Pre-cancel Collectors (NAPC). Imprinted stamp identical in design and color to the stamp of Feb. 8th. Few F. D. C. s known cancelled at Wildwood, N. J. on Feb 8th.
3. Stamp issued July 22 1960 in connection with the opening of the 5th National Jamboree at Colorado Springs, Colorado. Color is yellow and blue. Issued in sheets of four with plate number "1A", gummed. First Day Covers known posted at Rio Grande, New Jersey on July 22nd.
4. Envelope issued August 15 1960 in connection with the opening day of the N. A. P. C. convention at Wildwood, New Jersey. Government stamped 4 cent envelope with N. A. P. C. corner-card and imprinted Cadi-post stamp identical indesign to stamp of Feb 8th, but in green.

One of the modern local posts is known as the Cadillac Post as the route is actually run by Cadillac Motor Cars and is believed to be the only route so operated.

Several years ago (1953) the route was inaugurated in a small post office in Salem County, N. J. This was Daretown where the operator had post office box 33 and it was continued until the Daretown post office closed on April 30 1954. At the time another route was being set up in Cape May County to the south. This route started at Wildwood, travelled to Rio Grande, thence to Green Creek and via Villas on the return to Wildwood. U. S. Post Office Department carrier operations finally ended Wildwood and Villas operations. With only Rio Grande and Green Creek on the route, extensions were made to Goshen, South Dennis and Whitesboro. In 1958 another extension was made to Dennisville.

The regular issue now in use is of a 10 cent denomination picturing George Washington. Besides the Scout commemoratives, a commemorative has just been issued to honor the 100th anniversary of the Pony Express. Obsolete issues, some of which are still available, were issued for all towns the Cadi-post served. Write Glenn W. Dye, Cadillac-Post, Wildwood, N. J. for list of issues available.

Still available at 40 cents per mint sheet is the issue of July 22nd. Also first day covers of this same issue, attractive cachet, U. S. 4¢ commemorative stamp and Cadi-post issue of July 22nd cancelled on first day at Rio Grande, N. J. These are copies selected for condition. F. D. C. is 25¢ each. Package of 2 mint sheets and 2 FDCs for \$1.00. Write: James R. D. Yeaw, Cadillac

Post Philatelic Materials, P.O. Box 58, Fiskeville, R.I.

(This is the kind of stamp news we appreciate receiving, because it gives the story behind this local stamp issue. Many thanks, James for the information. Please note that copies etc. may be obtained from him. Editor)

INVESTMENT GUIDE

by Howard L. Fears

1960 has proved to be a far more interesting year than might have been imagined: 2 or 3 issues were anticipated, but we look like having a dozen by the end of December. I have before now said that the time to buy is when an issue first appears. Even the commoner stamps, like Canada, U.S.A. and Australia, don't go down in value, whilst the scarcer issues soon appreciate. The Greek set, especially on cover, is a must, in the same category as Iran and Tunisia. And don't forget Pakistan and Brazil - get 'em now.

But it is in the sphere of Scout and Guide cancels that the greatest attention must be paid. In the last issue I wrote about the Indaba in Holland, but at least from personal contact I can assure you that in 5 years anyone with a good Indaba collection will have useful material. The total number of covers sent all over the world might be numbered in thousands - but I should doubt if 10,000 were sent during the entire camp. But how about the really scarce items? Have you got a cover with the special registration label? Only 182 were used during the Indaba, and I reckon that I know how many of them went outside Holland. There was a small supply of mail awaiting delivery to the participants when the Gathering started, and I know that only 4 of these covers were stamped with the mobile P.O. cancel, because I collected them myself. And if you want proof, they were insufficiently pre-paid, which meant that Postage Dues were applied - and cancelled with the Indaba handstamp. Where are they now? If you ask Wim Six he might tell you about 2 of them and I admit - unashamedly - that the other two are in my collection.

I'm sorry for the digression, but I want to prove a point. It is simply that at the Indaba I met collectors of Scout stamps and covers who didn't even bother to send the special covers available, and hadn't even enquired about the registration labels until the camp was almost over. And to remind you that, even so, only 182 such labels were used. I'm not selling, but even if I were I don't think I should want to charge more than about 5/- or 6/- for a registered cover at this stage - but what about the price in a few years?

There are lots of other events held during the year when similar situations may occur, (and where there may not be so many Stamp collectors present!) I like the special cancel for the Estonian Scouts and Guides camping in Sweden, and another cancel used for the International Scout Conference in West Germany. Now I want to leave just one thought. Make up your mind what you want and try and get it as soon as available - if you don't succeed in a short time, you'll have to pay - or go without!

SALES BUREAU

Orders for following items, plus post, direct to Mr. FEARS:-

1. 1957 JAMBOREE BOOKLET

The British Postmark Society have sent me their last 5 copies of the second printing of this excellent booklet containing many pages of details and illustrations about the postal arrangements for the Sutton Coldfield Jamboree. Our previous supply of more than 40 copies quickly sold out; if you want a copy now, send 2/6d plus post, quickly.

2. U. S. 1957 JAMBOREE

Cacheted F.D. covers with camp postmark, 3/6d.

3. U. S. 1960 JAMBOREE

Rare cacheted covers of S.S.C.C. meeting at Colorado Springs Jamboree, including Scout stamp and camp cancel and the Club's own badge design. Bargain at 1/9d.

4. CANADA 1960 GUIDE STAMP

A variety of First Day cover with different cachets have arrived (about 5 different varieties). Rather expensive but good 2/6d. each.

SALES BUREAU: LATE ADDITIONS

As the result of the generous actions of Club Members I am able to offer single copies of the following items (of course, first come first served). Apply direct to Mr FEARS:-

- 1951 Austrian Scout stamp (Mint) 1/6d.
(Used on piece with Jamboree cancel)
..... 2/6d.
(Cancel on cover - not Jamboree) 2/6d.
- 1960 U.S.A. Scout stamp on Ranachqua postcard 2/-d.
- 1959 U.S.A. cacheted Scout covers viz Cranberry Jamborette,
S.O.S.S. meeting, Daniel Boone Jamborette 2/-d.
- 1948 Philippine Scout pair imperf. (Mint) 9d.
- 1937 Holland Scout value 12½c (Used) 6d.

BROWSING AT THE INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION

Contributed by D. C. D. Potter (Member No. 60)

I was lucky enough to visit the recent London Stamp Exhibition at the Festival Hall twice and the first time was on the opening day. I concentrated on the dealers stands, especially the ones offering a large number of covers at reasonable prices, on the first day. I picked up a great number of covers on this visit that add to the different specialities I have as sidelines. Included were a number of Scout interest covers, and here is a list of them to show what can be done when you browse through the cover boxes.

The first which was the most expensive at 3/6, was a cacheted

first day cover of the Australia 1948 Jamboree stamp, addressed to the Melbourne Stamp Shop, by their own rubber stamp. The postmark was the WONGA PARK VIC AUST cancellation handstamp.

For 6d a general cacheted cover with the 27 DE 55 Pan Pacific Jamboree Clifford Park Vic Aust circular postmark featuring the Boy Scout with staff.

Another 6d for a similar cover, but this time with the hexagonal Jamboree postmark.

Another 6d for a Sutton Coldfield FDC cacheted with 2½d.

Another 6d got a Pakistan machine cancellation cover: Karachi Boy Scouts Camporee, featuring in the slogan section a Pakistan Scout badge, and a tent.

A FDC of the Pakistan set cacheted, and Philatelic Bureau was 2/-, and a second day cover of the 6p cancelled with a temporary P.O. postmark DA-173, used at Chittagong was 6d.

Nothing rare or exciting, but all new and nice items for my collection. Probably not the cheapest either, but the fun of the chase was a reward in itself. Good Scouting and happy hunting.

(My thanks to our member for these notes; it shows what can be done when one takes the time and trouble to search for interesting material, doesn't it? Editor)

COMMENTS

From the Secretary-General

In recent months many decisions have been taken regarding the Club, and coupled with existing arrangements, we trust that you will agree that our organisation is really "in touch with the times". I would, however, ask you to read through all the following items carefully - they are not necessarily placed in order of importance.

Committee. We are pleased to report the extension of the Committee by the addition of E. EDMONDSON of Toronto; he is responsible for furthering the Club in Canada. We give a hearty welcome to him and also to W. T. HOLTON of 96 Midland Road, Luton, Beds. Tom Holton will act as Committee representative for an area in a radius of approximately 25 miles from Luton, and members in that area are asked to contact Tom with a view to arranging a local meeting. We also anticipate welcoming S. K. HUNTER of Glasgow as our Scottish representative when membership in Scotland reaches ten.

Journals by Air. So that our more distant members can receive their Journals quickly we are pleased to announce that we have arranged for their despatch by air-mail for those members interested. Naturally the postage is higher, and we have to charge an extra 5/- per year for Commonwealth members and a dollar a year for those in the U. S. A. If you wish to take advantage of this, please advise Mr BLUNT.

The Journal. A great deal of thought has taken place regarding the

Journal, and we hope to produce the "New Look" Journal starting in Jan. 1961. A new lay-out, a printed stiff cover and a different size - we think you will like it. The Journal will cost us more to produce, but we will try and balance the books!

Membership Cards. These are being prepared and will be issued in due course to all members. It may take some months for them all to be despatched, so don't be impatient.

Insurance of Stamp Collections. Arrangements have now been made for U.K. collectors, who can have All Risks cover on their collections for only 5/- for every £100 insured. If you would like details, just drop me a line.

Club Competition. This subject has been given a lot of thought and views differ greatly. At this stage, only two comments:-

- 1) Do you agree and
- 2) If so, would you be willing to join a Committee to consider the subject?

Please let me have your views in writing.

Publicity. Several articles have been accepted from the publicity angle for publication in various magazines. If you know of any journal anywhere in the world which might accept an article on Scout stamps, please let me have a note of the name and address of the editor.

Indaba Photos. Tom HOLTON wishes to remind members at the Indaba that he still has photos available showing the S.O.S.S./S.S.C.C. meeting, the postal arrangements, etc. The sales benefit the Club, so if interested, please write direct to him pronto.

Photographic Fans. Member Alfred CETTIE of 3829 Woodlawn Avenue, Seattle 3, Washington, U.S.A. enquires whether any members who are photography fans, especially in 35mm Colour slides, would like to exchange slides dealing with Scouting, Scout philately, etc. If interested, write direct to him.

Approval Service. As many of you know already, the Permanent List has a very great value, but sometimes you might like occasional extra covers for "swopping", or there might be material not sufficient for general distribution. In addition, from time to time special covers are secured, such as with unusual features, or different cachets. As from the beginning of November I hope to organise an Approval service for members. If you wish to be added to this list, just let me know. Even if you may have told me in the past of your interest in this service, please confirm it in writing again from now. I will also try and supply overseas members. One point - you will have to pay return postage, even if nothing is retained. Over to YOU.

Priced Check List. The revised list (thanks to Mr RHODES) should be available in January 1961.

Democracy. The present Committee appreciate that the principal officers have remained in their present posts for close on 4 years. We are a democratic Club, and all officers have signified their willingness to stand down or submit their names for re-election if members think it about time we had a change. Briefly, the officers can be divided into two categories - the Central Committee, and the Regional leaders. The Central Committee includes the Journal editor, the Club Secretary and myself.

Now this is the position and, please, we want no false heroics. Will you write to me if you would like an election held - and, if so, please say whether you want the Central Committee and/or the Regional leaders elected. I emphasise - this aims to be a democratic body, and if a fair number of members really want an election, we will willingly organise it. But if you don't want it, don't be surprised if we don't ask you again for several years - frequent alterations are difficult in a Club like ours.

AN INTERESTING VARIETY OF THE MAFEKING STAMP,
SCOTT, No. 180 (S.G.No. 21/22)
(Contributed by Jay Rogers, Member 109)

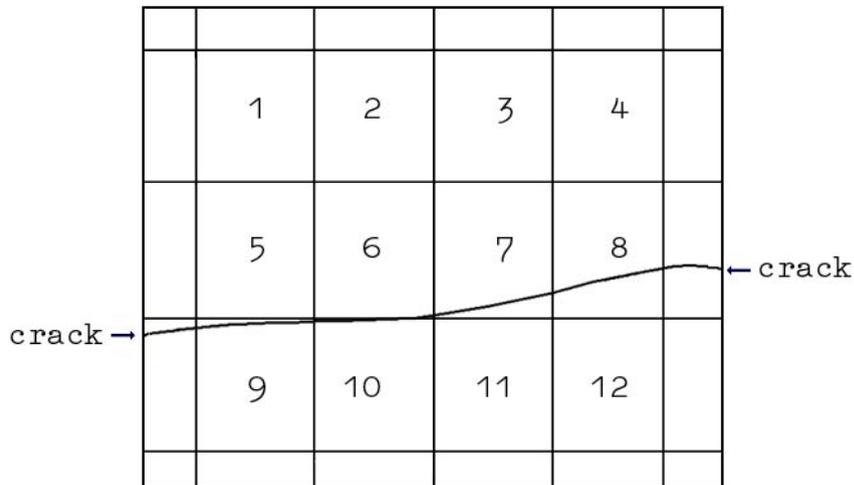
I recently purchased at auction a copy of Scott No.180 with a white line running through it. Keeping in mind that these stamps were printed from glass photographic plates, it was apparent that the plate must have been cracked before printing was discontinued. In an attempt to find out the complete story on the cracked plate variety, I corresponded with Mr. Walter Grob of Switzerland who has an outstanding collection of these Mafeking stamps and is an authority on them. In a very detailed reply, he thoroughly explained the variety.

It is believed that from ten to twenty sheets of twelve stamps each were printed from the plate after it had cracked: only five of the twelve stamps bear a trace of this horizontal crack. Thus the original quantity of this variety was between fifty and one hundred pieces.

Over the years Mr Grob has been ably to collect all five stamps and has thus been able to reconstruct the entire crack and properly plate each piece. The sketch shows which stamps on the sheet bear the crack. As it appears in different positions on each of the five stamps it is quite simple to plate correctly such a variety, if you are fortunate to possess one.

In an attempt to determine how many sheets were printed, or, at least ascertain the rarity of the variety, I would appreciate hearing from members who possess them.

(If members who are interested will turn to my short article in the very first issue of our Journal, they will see the reason for this variety, and, should they wish for more information, I suggest they refer to the very comprehensive serial which appeared in the 'South African Philatelist' in 1945, written by Dr. K. Freund. Editor)



THE HIDDEN STORY

(Contributed by Len Bowen)

The article on page 8 of the July Journal plus the interesting idea behind it prompts me to tell you about an item which I call "my sixpenny cover".

In addition to my Scout collection, I have one of postmarks (T.P.O.s, Paquebots, Used Abroad, etc) and on one occasion whilst idly rummaging through a box of covers in a stamp dealer's booth at an exhibition about five years ago for any interesting postmarks, I came across an ordinary correspondence cover from Holland to an address in England; besides bearing a 1938 date, it had a large T (tax) mark on the front and a 3d English postage due stamp: the cover was priced at sixpence.

I was not interested in tax marks or postage due stamps and was about to pass on to the next item when I noticed that one of the five Dutch stamps making up the postage was the 1½ ct. Scout badge stamp of 1937. I was still not impressed with the cover as this stamp used was only worth 1d and, additionally, some silly fool had been doodling on the cover with what looked like an indelible pencil and had drawn around the Scout stamp this design - 

After I had finished going through the box my purchases totalled up to 9/6d and so just to make it up to "a round 10 bob" I went back over the items again and dug out this sixpenny cover, thinking at least it might make a swop of some sort for my Scout collection. Thus, into the swops box it went and stayed there for between three and four years.

Those of you who know me personally know that I am a member of the Romford Stamp Club. One evening there, when the guest speaker was displaying his collection, a number of sheets were passed round: these included combination covers, of the type of South African Provincials before the first World War, or such similar item, when, lo and behold, there was that funny little doodle around a stamp on a cover, right in front of me. From

then on, I was really intrigued.

Eventually the last sheet of the display was passed round and the speaker closed his discussion with "if any members have any questions relative to the items passed round, I'll be only too pleased to explain as best I can". So up pops Len Bowen for the explanation, if any, of the peculiar "doodle".

The answer was prompt and authoritative - that doodle was an internationally recognised method of postal authorities for segregating a stamp not valid for postage in the country of posting, by reason of demonetisation, invalid by decree, an obsolete issue by date or some similar reason!

On the bus journey home from the meeting I sat and racked my brains over my "sixpenny cover". It was now obvious that, by reason of the 'T' and G.B. postage due stamp, the 1½ ct. Scout stamp had been segregated by the Dutch postal authorities. But why? I had seen numerous Dutch commercial and ordinary correspondence envelopes in pre-war days bearing the Jamboree Scout stamp and had also seen quite a few in recent years, but I had never noticed anything untoward as regard their postal transit.

I had not solved the puzzle by the time I had reached home and, so intrigued was I, that in spite of the late hour, out came my swops box and out came the cover! For some time I sat and stared at it - now why was that 1½ ct stamp segregated? Maybe there were some secret marks on the stamp somewhere, so out came the magnifying glass..... what is that imperceptibly tiny wording on the bottom? Something about 31st December 1937? I don't understand the Dutch language but daylight was beginning to dawn! As the circular postmark on the envelope had landed on another stamp it was not so apparent, but the magnifying glass again gave the answer - the envelope was posted in April 1938, and the Jamboree stamps were invalidated for postage as from 31st December 1937 - hence that "silly little doodle" around the Scout stamp!

I still regard the value of the cover as being in the price range of sixpence, but it has now been elevated from the depth of the swops box to the exalted ranks of my album pages - my intriguing sixpenny cover!

(Thanks a lot, Len, for this story. The motto seems to be -
Never despise a cover bearing a mark about which you know
nothing; it is bound to have been put there for a reason.
It's up to you to find out why! Editor)

FROM A FINE COLLECTION

(Contributed by Howard L. Fears)

It is always a thrill to look at someone else's carefully collected Scout stamps and postmarks, especially when the collection includes rare and unusual items. As I write the notes which follow I am looking at the collection of my good friend WIM SIX, and I am sure you will all be interested in the description of material some of which, without doubt, is unique. Like myself, he mounts his

collection in date order, hence the chronological basis of my remarks:-

- a) 1913. Netherlands. Hand cancel applied to covers sent from the first International Scout Camp in the world, held at IJMUIDEN from 24th to 31st July 1913. The postmark reads - "Ijmuiden" but on the cover there is another cancel in deep grey reading "Padvindere Kamp" in block capitals. There were 1,500 Scouts in the camp including boys from England, Belgium, Germany and Holland.
- b) 1925. Hungary. Special machine cancel including the Scout badge and the words "I. CSERKÉSZ. KERULEII VERSENY. 1925". It was used on the occasion of the first big Scout camp at UJPEST, near BUDAPEST, from September 4th to 8th 1925.
- c) 1926 Hungary. Special postmark used from July 9th to 15th for a big Scout rally at "MOUNT DU TILLEUL", again near UJPEST. 7,500 Hungarian Scouts plus more than 500 from 14 other countries. It seems that two special machine cancels exist: both show the place and date in a circular mark, but in addition, the first one shows a Scout in uniform running from left to right, carrying a staff and what appears to be a letter in his left hand: The other variety again shows a Scout in uniform blowing a bugle, standing near a pitched bell tent.
- d) 1931. Czechoslovakia. Slogan cancel and postmark in connection with the Slovakia Jamboree at Prague from June 28th to July 4th 1931. Firstly the slogan (advance) mark dated 22-VI-31: this shows a Prague circular machine cancel; on one side of it is a Scout in uniform holding an unfurled flag complete with Scout badge. Near this is written "SLOVANSKÉ JAMBOREE PRAHA 28.VI - 4.VII 1931". Also in the same cancel is a written inscription with a Czech Scout badge in the left hand corner: "TÁBORY SLOVANSKÝCH SKAUTŮ (SLOVANSKÉ JAMBOREE) PRAHA 28.VI - 4.VII.1931. The actual camp cancel is a simple circular one reading - "PRAHA SLOVANSKÉ SKAUTSKÉ TÁBORY 1931." There is also a separate label.
- e) 1932 Netherlands. I expect you know already the publicity cancel for the "Nationaal Padvindere Kamp" at WASSENAAR. This is scarce, but even scarcer is the actual camp mark (in violet?) simply reading in circular form "NAT PADVINDERSKAMP WASSENAAR. 'S-GRAVENHAGE".
- f) 1934. Czechoslovakia. I cannot give you a translation, but it seems that there was a Jamboree of Esperanto-speaking Scouts. The special circular mark reads: "BANSKÁ BYSTRICA XII. SVETOVY TABOR SKAUTSKEJ ESPERANTSKEJ LIGY. XII TUTMONDA TENDARO DE SKOLTA ESPERANTISTA LIGO".
- g) 1935. Poland. Circular cancel from Polish Scouts Jubilee camp at SPALA from 11th to 25th July. Wording on mark: "JUBILEUSZOWY SLOT HARCERSTWA POLSKIEGO.
- h) 1936. Czechoslovakia. Two examples of circular cancel, one in grey, the other in green, reading "PRAHA 14.ZEMSKÝ SKAUTSKÝ SJEZD". In the centre is the date.

- i) 1936. Denmark. Oval handstamp cachet-cancel from Girl Guide Jubilee camp, in purple reading: "DET DANSKE PIGESPEJDERKORPS BRAHE-TROLLESBORG". In the centre are the words "JUBILAEUMSLEJREN 1936"
- j) 1936. Norway. Scouts Jubilee camp at JELØY. Cancel (and also the special registration label) reads: SPEIDERNES JUBILEUMSLEIR JELØY".
- k) 1936. Roumania. You must know the set of three Scout stamps issued in connection with the 4th Roumanian National Jamboree at Brasov, from August 3rd to 29th. How about the cancel? It reads; "IV A JAMBOREE A CERCE...OR ROMANIEI of POIANA BRAVOS. 1936". Sorry about the gap - it's about three letters long, but I cannot read it where the mark comes on the dark 3 Lei stamp.
- l) 1936. China. I cannot attempt to write the Chinese characters of the special cancel, but at least I can tell you that the translation of it reads: "Second National Jamboree of the Chinese Scouts. Nanking. 25 Oct. 1936-10 hours". The mark includes a small Scout badge.
- m) 1938. France. Not quite so rare, but a reminder of the special cancel used in connection with "Plein Jeu". The circular mark reads: "PLEIN JEU ECLAIREURS DE FRANCE. PARIS" and the date, 26.6.38.
- n) 1941. Philippines. The cover in Wim's collection has quite a background: it was sent from Holland (under German occupation) by air to the Philippines; it was opened by the German censors and resealed with the German Eagle stamp. But the cover has been back-stamped at Manila (Philippine Islands) and shows the machine stamp wording - "BOY SCOUT ANNIVERSARY PERIOD OCTOBER 31 - NOVEMBER 15". The date on the mark is Nov. 10th 1941.
- Please remember that I am compiling these notes on my brief holiday in Holland; from now on the details will simply show (unless otherwise mentioned) the wording on the cancel, plus the date.
1945. Czechoslovakia. "KLATOSY SKAUTSKB SLAVNOSTI 9. IX. 45."
1948. Finland. "SUURLEIRI VIERUMAKI 23.7.48". (The first Nation Scout camp after the war at Vierumaki starting July 17th).
1948. Luxembourg. "LETZEBURGER SCOUTEN JAMBOREE BONNEVOIE 1-8-48". There is also a registered label reading "BONNEVOIE JAMBOREE No....."
1949. France. "CONGRES ECLAIREURS DE FRANCE VANVES 4-8-49".
1949. Finland. (Guide) "LOILANNIEMI KOLHO 5-7-47". (The camp dates were from 4th to 14th July 1949).
1950. Denmark. "JAMBORETTE MARIELYST, 3 - 10 AUG 1950". - A very attractive handstamp cachet with map of islands.
1950. Denmark. "NORDBY FANØ INT. SCOUT JAMBORETTE 4.8.50". (This was an International Jamborette held at FANØ from August 4th to 11th 1950)

- 1951 Denmark. (Guide) "ROHDEN PR DAUGAARD PIGESPEJDER LEJREN 3-7-51".
- 1952 Pakistan. Have you seen the cachet reading "SCOUTING FOR A BETTER TOMORROW AND A STRONGER PAKISTAN"?
- 1953 Finland. "TAPIOLAN SUURLEIRI SULKAVA. 18-7-53" - and with registration label for the camp, Number 00001!
- 1954 Philippines. H/Q's of the Philippine Scouts: machine slogan cancel reading "FIRST NATIONAL JAMBOREE APRIL 23-30 1954 QUEZON CITY. BOY SCOUTS OF THE PHILIPPINES". (in red).
- 1954 Ceylon. "JAMBOREE CAMP P.O. CEYLON, 19 Nov (?) 1954". (Can anyone supply details please?)
- 1955 Finland. "EKENAS TAMMISAARI 8-7-55". with a special registration label.
- 1955 Sweden. You will already know the cancel for "GOTLANDSLAGRET". Apart from the registration labels, there are also special pink labels for letters with contents of a special value. The label is the same size as the registration one: it has a large letter V, the name of the camp and a number - only 5 are known to exist from this camp.

At this point I pause whilst Wim reads over my notes and makes a few alterations. Of course you must realise that I have only picked out just one or two items, comparatively speaking, from a very large collection, and I have not mentioned all the many items more commonly seen. Again, I have not made reference to his Mafeking items or his unique Dutch material and his Siam sets complete on cover, the 1918 Czech covers - and so on. When I started to look through, he asked me to fix a value on the whole lot. Of course, I cannot - many covers are unique and others have tremendous interest. But at least I can certainly say "It is the best INTERNATIONAL Scout stamp collection I have seen in recent years."

(We are indebted to both the owner and the collator for this very interesting article. Makes one's mouth water, doesn't it? Editor)

PAGES FROM MY CHIT-CHAT DIARY - Page Nine

by Len Bowen

Here we are once again! - a chance for another little chat! What shall we "chew over" this time?

I like the new series of articles "The Hidden Story" running in our Journal - I sincerely hope that lots of you will make that little effort and send a story to the Editor. I realise we must have serious technical articles in our magazine because it is the Society's mouthpiece - nevertheless I'm sure that most members enjoy a little "lighter" reading at times, so keep the series

going if you can, for our mutual interest.

Supplies of that set of Scout stamps from Tunis seem to be a long time arriving in this country - I only know of one dealer at the moment who actually has them - at 5/1d. per set - others say they are going to get them - but two months has elapsed now! - possibly they may turn out to be a scarce set - you all know the moral!

I'm sorry folks that I had to be recorded as "absent" at the London S.S.C.C. meeting on 15th October - I would have enjoyed being there with you all. Unfortunately young Peter was chosen by his school teacher to be taken to a musical concert at the Festival Hall, London, on that day, and I had to be at Romford station at 2 p.m. to collect him and take him to a restaurant for a dinner before travelling further - after that it was too late and we were too far away to make the meeting - I wonder if we missed any good swops!

I would like to support the Editor's appeal for more members to subscribe articles in our Journal - don't be timid - it's not difficult. Just get your albums out and have a run through the pages making a few notes - when you've finished going through, just re-write your notes with a bit of padding to enlarge the volume, and then post it off to the Editor, he will do the rest!

A little stroke of luck came my way a short while ago at my Club's annual Stamp Exhibition - a dealer at his stand was selling off the 1959 copies of the well-known "J.L." Catalogue of G.B. varieties at 1/- per copy - I soon whipped up a copy as the enlarged illustrations of the varieties on the G.B. 1957 Scout stamps will be most useful when cut out and mounted on album pages - a jolly good shillingsworth!

Well, playmates, I'll have to be on my way now - time is a bit short just now, (I hope the editor hasn't noticed the dateline of the calendar yet!) - au revoir! - will meet you again soon!

A very hearty welcome to the following new members whom we hope will find much of interest in their association with the Club:-

* indicates Junior member.

- 278 REV. E. G. CLARKSON, St. Luke's Vicarage, Princess Drive, Liverpool 12.
- 279 ERIC G. BOWERS, 3 Norfolk Avenue, Heaton Chapel, Stockport, Cheshire.
- 280 ROBERT MILLER, c/o 53 Meeting Lane, Burton Latimer, near Kettering, Northants.
- 281 HORACE COX, 13 The Avenue, Watford, Herts.
- *282 ANTHONY RUMPH, 13 Holly Drive, Berkhamsted, Herts.
- *283 ANDREW DEACON, 107 Gossoms End, Berkhamsted, Herts.
- *284 CHRISTOPHER KING, 11 Peters Place, Northchurch, Berkhamsted, Herts.
- 285 TORBJORN LARSSON-FEDDE, Gabriel Lungsgt 33, Farsund, Norway.
- *286 A. R. KOOGER, Amstelveenseweg 255, Amsterdam, Z, 11-7 Holland.
- 287 MISS D. ELLIS, Oberon, Durrant Lane, Bideford, Devon.
- 288 WILLIAM ANDERSON, 3803 Almeda Drive, Toledo 12, Ohio, U. S. A.

Please delete the following from your membership list:-
Nos. 152, 164, 219.

Change of address:-

215 JAMES H. D. YEAW, P. O. Box 58, Fiskeville, R. I., U. S. A.

As I write this, Christmas and the New Year are but a few weeks off. The officers of the Club wish each of you a right royal time over the festive season, with the best of Scout stamp collecting during 1961.

Sincerely yours,
WILF NODDER.

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STOP PRESS NEWS With acknowledgement to the Editor of the
"Philatelic Magazine".

"Bulletin of the Trinidad P. S. says that efforts are now being made to urge the Government to recognise with a special commemorative, the Second Caribbean Scout Jamboree to take place in Trinidad, April 4th to 14th next year. If this materialises, it will be the first ever commemorative to be issued independently by Trinidad and Tobago."