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I must admit it was a pleasant change to be able to pick up the July issue of the Journal and read it for the first time. I found it far more interesting than looking through a copy I had previously edited. I am therefore doubly grateful to our Secretary-General for undertaking the preparation of our last number and for giving me the pleasure of reading it.

Yesterday I returned from a fortnight's camp in Sweden with some of my Senior Scouts and we are very grateful to Member Bjorn Hermond and his brother Scouters and Scouts for their hospitality and for the very excellent way in which they arranged activities and visits and looked after our well-being. Had I not joined the S.S.C.C. I doubt very much whether I should have arranged to go so far afield; the benefits of belonging to a Society such as ours are therefore not merely confined to stamp collecting; it provides one with an opportunity of meeting brother Scouters with whom one has corresponded. Bjorn and I managed to find a little time to natter about stamps and no doubt we shall be including some notes on the recent Swedish camp postmarks in a future issue.

At the end of the week I shall be off again to help at our Scout Troop's summer camp. I shall certainly do my best to see that this Journal is published as early in September as possible and hope that it is available for the meeting to be held at the Gilwell Reunion.

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Stanley Hunter, Member 51, has passed me some additional information about his article "Scouting Personalities on Stamps" which appeared in the March Journal. Perhaps you might like to add the following:-

King Baudouin is now the Honorary President of the Boy

Scouts of Belgium, whilst Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, is Patron of the B-P Guild.

He also adds that he understands that the 1 RP + 50 sen purple stamp of the Indonesian 1955 National Jamboree was most probably adopted from the photograph on page 24, 1947 edition, of the Boy Scouts of America "Handbook for Scoutmasters".

(A few more annotations for your albums. Editor)

JUNIOR PAGE

By the Editor

Dear Juniors,

I was delighted to see that this page was written by a Junior member in the last Journal. Ever since the S.S.C.C. came into being, I have been urging a Junior to edit it. The first time it happens is when I vacate "the chair", so it seems we shall have to arrange for the Journal to have guest editors occasionally! We may then have some offers!! However, should there be any Juniors who would like to try their hand, I should be more than grateful. Now some of you have entered your collections for Society competitions. Why not write and let me know how you prepare your display, what you think about such competitions, whether you think they are good - or bad - for philately? Do see what you can do, won't you?

Quite a number of countries will be issuing Scout stamps this year. The old plea - buy when first issued - still holds good. If you are interested in Scout and Guide postmarks, there have been a large number already used - and more to come - so here again, obtain them when they are current; they will never be cheaper.

Just a final request. This is YOUR page. Write and let me know what you would like to read about in it and then we will see what can be done.

Good hunting until the next Journal.

PUBLICITY - AND WHAT IT MEANS

I have been asked to write a few words about my job of "Publicity Secretary", but I find it a difficult task to do, as all I seem to do is to write letters, and as they say in Hong Kong - "This is not much to write home about".

After advertising in Overseas magazines and papers, the Secretary receives numerous enquiries about the Club and all these (less the envelope with the foreign stamps) are sent to me to reply to.

Soon after taking over this job, the Assistant Secretary kindly presented me with about 30 letters from members who originally enquired about the Club and left it at that, so I had to write to them all again; this by the way was how I spent Easter Monday, slogging away at this machine.

I now answer all the mail once a week, usually Friday evenings; this is not due to laziness but due to my other "side-line" Scouting. Mondays, my wife who is an A.C.M. takes both my sons to her meeting and I usually pop down to the Headquarters as well; Tuesday is given to preparing for my Troop night on Wednesday (W.Troop) and on Thursday (T.Troop), so here we are at Friday, which is my writing evening.

Other means of attracting new members is through the Pen Pals Column in the Scout Magazine, and writing to all the Scouts who show an interest in stamp collecting. I have also written to the 20 Scout Groups in my District, sending them some application forms for display on their notice boards; if any other Scouters would like to do the same, I am sure that the Assistant Secretary would be only too pleased to send a supply of application forms.

A number of enquiries are received via the Scout Magazine in response to the articles written by Mr Howard Fears; also his article in the Stamp Collecting magazine brought in quite a few.

During the first three months, I wrote 101 letters and I was beginning to wonder what I had let myself in for, but recently I am averaging about 20 a month, which allows enough time for my typewriter to cool down between letters.

I find this a most interesting job, especially receiving letters from abroad, as some of them are extremely amusing, quite a number of the Scouts give descriptions of themselves and also

where they live, which makes me feel that I already know them quite well.

J. E. HOBBS

(Now we know what is entailed in trying to recruit members - and I thought editing the Journal was tough going!! I've changed my opinion. Editor)

SCOUT STAMP BIBLIOGRAPHY - II

By Stanley K. Hunter, Member No, 51

The first article in this series dealt with Scout stamps and periodical literature. This article is concerned with permanent publications on interest to Scout stamp collectors.

While I have read most of the following items myself, there are some which I have not had the opportunity to examine. Should any readers have spare copies of these books (indicated *), I would be grateful if they would contact me.

BOY SCOUT & GIRL GUIDE STAMPS OF THE WORLD, 1956.
By Gordon Entwistle. 82pp. Illus. 7/6d.

This beautifully produced descriptive listing can now be obtained at a very reasonable price, due to the book being "remaindered". It was reviewed in the Journal (August 1957).

Note: Readers may care to correct the following misprints:-
Page 12, lines 6 & 7, "to" and "by" should be reversed. Pages 51,2 read "Liechtenstein", Page 51, line 2, read "1933" and line 5 read "F.L. Pfadfinderkorps.....". The chapter on Mafeking should not be regarded as authoritative. (There are several other points that are not correct. Editor)

BOY SCOUT STAMPS OF THE WORLD (2 vols) Illus. by Harry D. Thorsen Jr. \$ US per volume.

Vol. I SCOUT STAMPS (first published 1950) Revised 1955. 48pp (lithio). *

Vol. II BOY SCOUT FUND SEALS & CAMP POST STAMPS. (1955), 32pp, \$1 US. Companion volume to "Boy Scout Stamps of the World". This book illustrates almost 250 Scout labels, many of which I doubt whether the average collector has ever seen before. Indispensable to any Scout Label collector.

CATALOGO ESPECIALIZADO DE TIMBRES POSTALES. 1956. By Jose Barnard. 63pp. Illus. *
See the Journal (March 1959), where it is described as a detailed Scout Stamp catalogue, published in Mexico.

SPORTS & SCOUTISME, Catalogue de Timbres-Poste. Brun & Fils 1960. 80pp. Illus. Text in French.
As is suggested by the title, this thematic catalogue is mainly devoted to the topic of Sport. Scout and Guide stamps, however, are included in the second part, which totals nine pages. In the majority of cases, only commemoratives are included. There are 60 Scout stamp illustrations. All issues are priced (mint/used & sts) in New Francs.

LES OBLITERATIONS SCOUTES EN SUISSE. 1957. Illus.
This single sheet, printed on art-paper, was published by the Scouts on Stamps Society, International (SOSSI) and issued in connection with the Society's Convention, held at the Jubilee Jamboree. The text is in French and lists a dozen Swiss Scout and Guide cancellations (1925-57).

POSTAL ARRANGEMENTS AT THE WORLD SCOUT JUBILEE JAMBOREE. 1959. 13pp. (dupl.) Illus. 2/6d. Compiled by C. M. Langstone.
This exhaustive record of the postal services at "J. I. M." was reviewed in the Journal (Nov. 1959, etc.), and also in "World Scouting" (March 1960).

SCOUTS ON STAMPS 1956.
By Gordon Entwistle. 8pp. 1/-.
This (unpriced) check-list was published for "The Scout" Stamp Club.

STAMP COLLECTING - MERIT BADGE SERIES. 1951. Illus.
Prepared by J. W. Shaver. 56pp. 25¢ US.
This is the instructional handbook of the Boy Scouts of America. While mainly intended to be of general interest, there are several fine Scout stamp illustrations, including a photograph of the Official Presentation of a sheet of the 1950 U. S. Scout stamp to the President of the Boy Scouts of America.

STAMP COLLECTOR & PHILATELIST - How to Gain the Badge. 30pp. 9d. 1947 (Revised 1950). By L. N. & M. Williams.
While like the American Merit Badge booklet, mentioned above, this work is intended to help Scouts pass the appropriate proficiency badge. There I am afraid, the similarity ends, for whilst no-one would dispute the philatelic knowledge of the Williams brothers,

it seems hard to believe that any boy could be inspired by this publication.

Fortunately the requirements for the Over-15 badge (Philatelist), have been altered and a new edition should eventually appear. Let's hope that it will not be so dreadfully dull and correct..... and also that even a passing reference is made to Scout stamps. (Seems to me that these handbooks should be prepared by Scouter/Philatelists! Editor)

TIMBRES & SCOUTISME *

By G. Depolier (9/-)

This priced catalogue is published in French.

SCOUT STAMPS - SCOUT SEALS. SPECIALIZED CATALOGUE.

By Harry D. Thorsen, Jr. 48pp (lithio) 1961. \$ US.

This invaluable guide to Scouting labels was reviewed in the Journal (March 1961) and should be in the possession of anyone intending to collect Scout seals. There is also a stamp checklist and a reprint of Mr Thorsen's outstanding articles on Scout stamps.

S. S. C. C. CATALOGUE

This priced check-list was published by the Club in July 1959 (8pp.) and revised in January 1961 (12pp.). It is compiled by Club Members Roy Rhodes and Len Bowen and is no doubt a well thumbed adjunct to your collection.

SCOUTS ON STAMPS. 1959 (Revised 1960) 4 pp.

Prepared by Art McKinney, Stamp Editor of "Boy's Life".

The current list now includes 223 stamps in addition to souvenir sheets, etc. Each stamp is allocated both Scott and Minkus catalogue numbers. Gratis.

CORRIGENDUM

The following has been sent me by the author. I retained his original comments about the handbook purposely, and can only reiterate the remarks I added. As the local examiner for these badges I regret that the I.H.Q. Badge Test Committee did not arrange for the text to be completely re-written - by a member of the Movement who is also a philatelist!! Editor.

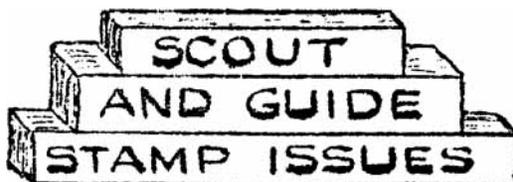
SCOUT BADGE TEST SERIES, No. 21 (Boy Scouts Assoc.) 54pp. 1/6d- I have just received a copy of the new edition of the "STAMP COLLECTOR & PHILATELIST" badge book. I had hoped that the 1959 Revision of Scout Tests would have been an opportunity to re-write

this booklet. The only difference, however, seems to be that it is now printed on much better paper and shares the volume with four other badges.

The old text appears, word for word, apart from the alteration in the requirements for the PHILATELIST Badge, which now suggests "Scouting" as a subject for a specialised collection. The book, however, studiously ignores the very idea and dismisses Thematic collecting in a single short paragraph.

Apart from this, it is still an essential aid to anyone wishing to help Scouts gain the two philatelic proficiency badges, if only because it contains the official list of philatelic terms to be used by an Examiner.

(Thanks a lot, Stanley, for these comprehensive notes. Editor)



GERMANY (FEDERAL REPUBLIC)

10 pf. stamp green, depicting St. George and the dragon. Issued 22nd April, 1961.

SOUTH KOREA

40 h. stamp, blue green, showing girl Scout making salute on left, with background of camp, and girl Scout badge on right. Korean characters and date at top and at bottom. Issued May 10th 1961. A miniature sheet was also issued.

Advance information

TOGO. Six stamps printed by De La Rue together with imperf. miniature sheet. To be issued in September.

50c. orange and green (Daniel C. Beard, founder of the B.S. America.

1f. (colour not yet announced) (Lord Baden Powell)

10f. dark grey and red. (Togolese Rover Scout)

- 25f. blue, yellow, green and red. (Scout and Togolese Flag).
 30f. green brown and red. (tents and camp fire)
 100f. magenta and blue. (African, Asian and European hands making Scout salute)
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By the Secretary-General

Can you really visualise the behind-scenes work involved in this service? With over 100 subscribers, the physical act of distribution is, in itself, such a large task that each distribution, if carried out by one person might well take three full days! To make the task a more evenly spread affair, we are delighted to welcome a couple of assistants, ALAN MORRIS from Scotland, and "BIM" KNIGHT from Surrey. TOM HOLTON still continues with the lion's share, and I am doing a few myself, so in future distributions you may note a change of distributors. We



are grateful to them all.

Now to deal with a few general points. First of all, Registered covers. Some members have asked whether these can be restricted to those items where a special Registration label will be used. But here is the difficulty - this is not known until the event takes place, and, having placed an order, it cannot be changed at five minutes notice. Also, even if the label does not seem distinctive, nevertheless you may rest assured that it was the only one available and to that extent is an item of genuine interest.

Also, a few members have mentioned the question of variations in cachet design. One of the principal suppliers has been using the familiar St. George and the Dragon motif, but in response to my request he has agreed to try and vary the design another time.

Would you like to come behind the scenes for a short while and see how the P.L. works? (These letters are NOT abbreviations for Patrol Leader!!! Editor) Firstly, I have to maintain an extended correspondence throughout the world to try and "cover" every Scout and Guide event, bearing in mind the probable demand when the material is actually received, casual sales, and the extent to which I may be left with supplies on my hands. Frequently nowadays, special covers are being printed which involves designing the cachet, arranging the printing, addressing the covers and then passing them to the servicing point. Accounts from abroad have to be paid in foreign currency, with necessary charges as well. Then, for instance, out of the blue, come demands and suggestions - How about this for a range of items handled in a very short time? (1) Irish Guide camp cards - supply ordered and paid for at two days notice. (2) Swedish Scout cancels. Apart from handling over 700 covers for three special events, one complete consignment of covers arrived which had been stamped for registration but sent by ordinary post. This meant that the maximum selling price was about one shilling per cover less than the cost price! (3) Surinam covers - Seven days in which to place order and pay for it in Surinamese florins - and what do you know about those? This involved a personal outlay of £50. (4) Israel covers - almost a complete doubling of my order so that I could supply as many people as possible - over 1,000 covers sent me! (5) Portugal - Something has gone wrong with the arrangements. Can I supply covers for requirement? (6) Announcement of special Scout cancellation for Gilwell Park, London. However, the first day of use is not certain; Therefore I make seven trunk calls in trying to clarify the position - and who pays for these? Then find it is August 29th, a Tuesday. Have to arrange for postings on every day until September 3rd, two different covers, with total printing, I believe of between 1300 and 1400. Also, please realise that all those covers require a piece of paper placed inside to conform to P.O. regulations, they have to be stamped and addressed - All of these jobs I shall do, leaving the actual distribution to the hard-working team who themselves have to make up about 100 Invoices, put in envelopes, etc. The bulk supplies are sent by me to them with an indication of the price to be charged. And the miracle of it all is that prices are really amazingly low - in the case of the G.B. covers, I don't suppose they will cost even 1/- each!

Just how can this be done? At any one time the amount of

money actually owing for covers received - and awaiting distribution - or ordered and not yet received, may easily exceed £150. Obviously the Club cannot deal in these figures. Therefore, I now purchase all material in bulk myself - which means, incidentally, that the club is spared possible losses from telephone calls or from items such as the Swedish registered covers, I mentioned above - and such part of it as is necessary is sold at rock-bottom prices to the Permanent List. Thereby I am able to order sufficient to cover all requirements. Because of the tremendous expenditure of time and money involved, I don't quite do it all for love, but you have only to compare our selling prices - which include a modest profit for S.S.C.C. - with dealers' prices to imagine the smallness of the margin.

(There are very, very few societies and clubs who undertake a service similar to this, especially with voluntary labour. It deserves the support of all members. Editor).

* IMPORTANT NOTICE *

The next meeting of the London Area members will be on Saturday 21st October 1961 at Roland House Scout Settlement, Stepney Green, at 2 p.m. There will be a display by the President, also the auction lots will be on view and there will no doubt be some lively "trading" going on. Be sure not to miss it - Note it in your diary NOW.

SALES BUREAU
by Charles Seaton

Greetings to fellow members. Having taken over the "Sales Bureau" from John Wilson, may I draw your attention to the following items which are now in stock:-

Recently issued material

Second Caribbean Jamboree. First day cover with 8c and 25c stamps on one envelope. Camp cancellation. Price 3s.4d. (Note: Dealers' prices are at least 8d above this, if you can obtain this cover. "Fynden" of "Stamp Collecting", has tipped these two stamps. Need I say more?)

Girl Guides of Australia Golden Jubilee Jamboree,
 29th Dec. 1960 - Cover 1/- each
 Boy Scouts of America, block of 4 stamps 2/6d.
 Booklet of B-P. Centenary, Sutton Park, 1957,
 containing 8 beautifully designed labels.
 Now rarely seen. These are a "must" for
 collectors but only twelve booklets are
 available. First come, first served 1/-

S. S. C. C. Back numbers of the Journal:-

No copies of No. 1 available but one or two for 1957, 1959,
 and 1960 and for March and May 1961 available.

The Sales Bureau is run for YOUR benefit, please write me
 for your "wants". Letters will be welcomed, but do enclose
 postage for reply.

For those who wish to illustrate their collections, a few
 sheets of Scout cancellations 1957, 1958 and 1959 and one sheet
 of the varieties on the G.B. Jubilee stamps are available at 3d
 per sheet.

STOP PRESS

Irish Jubilee Guide Postcard 1/4d each
 European Scout Associations Postcard 1/2d "
 only three of each available.

ISRAEL JAMBOREE

by Howard L. Fears.

From our Israel member HIRAM H. COHN I am very kindly being
 supplied with material from the 1961 Scout/Guide Jamboree.
 Available items include a First Day Cover. First Day Camp-card
 (both with special cancels) and Sheets of specially printed
 souvenir labels. Both the cover and the card will be sent to
 all Permanent List subscribers, but the labels and extra covers
 and cards will be available from me. Supplies have not yet
 been received, but are expected any day now, so write and let
 me know your requirements.



June 8th. Sent off the draft Journal. Delighted to announce the appointment of E. SARGEANT of 63 Seymour Street, Bathurst, N. S. W. as Regional Representative for Australia. Club member E. D. Turnure Jnr. of 12052 East 65th Street, Oaklandon, Indiana, U. S. A. kindly sends me a copy of Harry Thorsen's book "Boy Scout Stamps of the World", issued in 1949. He has a small supply of these booklets in hand, and will be very happy to send a copy to any member whilst the supply lasts. Write direct to Mr Turnure. He also expresses a very strong view on Club membership: "definitely limit it before it gets out of hand". He suggests a total of 300 plus Juniors.

June 12th. Very pleased to receive acceptance from Francisco M. Valadez (Jnr) of Mexico of appointment as Regional Representative for South America. He is an International Commissioner and will be a most useful contact with Latin America

June 14th. From member in Singapore Leong Chee Keng: never let the Club limit membership. We are an international Society serving an international organisation and, in his opinion, we must never refuse a request to join, otherwise we should be creating a privileged section. In essence, I agree, but I must repeat a warning given earlier that there is a limit to the strain which is placed on voluntary effort, and that the only

solution may be payment for at least one official (and you can't do that on an annual sub. of ten bob!)

June 15th. Canada will have a special cancel at their National Jamboree in July, "but there will be no cacheted covers". In haste I am trying to organise something for Club members: keep fingers crossed please.

June 26th. Bjorn Hermond has kindly consented to act as R.R. for Scandinavia. He asks whether he should buy the 2 Mafeking stamps for 130 DM.

June 30th. Our recent volunteer to run the Sales Bureau, John Wilson, announces "for better or worse, I will be going into double harness on August 11th. and am likely to honeymoon on a migrant ship bound for Melbourne".

July 6th. Several U.S. members have asked for a conversion table between dollars and sterling. It is no good quoting the exact "spot" prices which vary from day to day. The following table represents my own rule-of-thumb guide:-

\$1.00	=	7s. 0d.
50c	=	3s. 6d.
25c	=	1s. 9d.
10c	=	8½d.

Simple sterling conversions:-

10s. 0d.	=	\$1.43
5s. 0d.	=	72c
2s. 6d.	=	36c
1s. 0d.	=	15c

I know these are not exact; I repeat, they represent a simple rough guide.

July 7th. Despite his many duties, FRANK RALPHES has agreed to stand in as H.R. for Wales "until a more suitable member is forthcoming" (to quote his own modest phrase).

July 10th. Enquiries re membership coming in from New Zealand. This apparently follows from publicity given about the Club in the D.H.Q. Gazette, the official monthly publication of the Boy Scouts Association of N.Z.

July 12th. Member T. Hughes reports that leading Manchester

stamp dealers are offering the recent Trinidad Scout pair on F.D.C. at 5/6d. Don't say I didn't warn you.

July 15th. Following the kind intervention of Club member Mrs Jardine, an article of mine re the Club has been accepted by "Council Fire", the magazine of the Girl Guide World Bureau. Mrs Jardine has also kindly agreed to act as Girl Guide Representative for S.S.C.C.

July 18th. Wim Six, writing from Holland, says that in his capacity as Hon. Sec-Gen. of Jubilee Airmail Exhibition at The Hague from August 4th to 14th. he is terribly busy and regrets that he has no time spare at all to answer and write Scout letters at the moment. He asks me to express his apologies to all members who have written to him and not received a reply.

July 19th. Kind remarks department: "I would be very happy indeed to nominate any or all of the Committee who are prepared to stand as listed in the July issue of the mag. so well produced so regularly" - from a member.

One volunteer is worth Member CHARLES SEATON of Manchester has very kindly volunteered to be responsible for running the Sales Bureau.

July 20th. A very kind donation towards Handbook No. 1 from ED. EDMONDSON of Canada. I have recently seen the proof for the illustrations of labels for the Handbook, and I have every hope of the book "being on the stocks" in the Autumn: just give me a few days with nothing much to do.

A belated but kind advice of the Opening on July 18th of the 50th Anniversary International Guide Camp in Blarney, Ireland. A special card and an official cachet - and as far as I know I should be receiving a supply. If this is so, it will probably represent a scoop for S.S.C.C.

July 31st. Our good friend C.G.Mummery from South Africa sends a very acceptable donation to the Handbook fund. He also reports that he recently acquired a New Zealand cover franked with the Dunedin Exhibition stamps cancelled with the special Dunedin Exhibition postmark dated 19 Jan. 1926 and addressed to "Set. G. E. Stephens, 7th Cape Town B.S.A., Jamboree Camp, Tahuna Park, N.Z." The question is, does anyone know anything about this Jamboree?

Aug. 1st. From Mexico, R.R. Vacadez has sent me a supply of covers with the scarce Cuban Scout postal authorisation - the one which means that no postage stamps are affixed. He suggests that members might like to trade for them. So if you need an example, send something worthwhile for a "swop"; I will send a Cuban cover in return and your item will be sent out by me, to Mr Vacadez,

From U.S.A. Milton Rogers reports that he has secured the U.A.R. (Syria) set imperf. on cover - only 8 are supposed to exist.

THE WORLD'S OLDEST SCOUT CANCEL?

by Howard L. Fears.

Wim Six from Holland reports that he has traced what he thinks is the oldest Scout cancel in the world. Let me quote what he writes:

"It is a Scout cancel used on a real used postcard sent from London on 23rd March 1913 to The Hague, arrival postmark March 27th. On the left upper corner a black Scout cancel was used which reads 'Padvinderskamp London 20-30 March 1913'. Could any member give me more information about this English Scout camp in which also some Dutch Scouts were visiting and/or camping? Also the word 'Padvinderskamp' indicates that this was a Dutch private cancel, or better say cachet."

Well, any comment?

CANCELLATIONS

By the Editor

For members interested in postal markings, it is thought the following check list would be useful. Other marks not mentioned undoubtedly exist and it would be appreciated if details of any unrecorded which have been used during the past twelve months were sent me for inclusion in future issues of the Journal. A tracing of the mark would of course be preferable to a description.

AUSTRIA

- (a) WIEN 101, 16.4.1961, at top, 50 JAHRE superimposed on a Scout badge, in centre: PFADFINDER/IN/OSTERREICH/JUBILAU SAUSSTELLUNG/15-23.IV.1961, at bottom. Handstamp numbered 1,2,3 or 4 in 0 of 50.
- (b) WIEN 101, 23.4.61. 50 JAHRE PFADFINDERGRUPPE, at top, St. George and dragon in centre; WIEN FAVORITEN "ST. GEORG" followed by number 1 or 2 at bottom. In green.

FRANCE

Double circle type. ECLAIREURS DE FRANCE, at top, 1911-1961/ CINQUANTENAIRE/21 MAI 1961, in centre; ORLEANS at bottom.

GERMANY (Federal Republic) all double circle type.

- (a) (14b) FRIDINGEN (b TUTTLINGEN) at top, with CHRISTL PFAD-FINDEBSCHARFT, Scout badge and DEUTSCHLANDS 1910-1960 and date, 6.8.60, 11 on sides, in centre and BUNDERSLAGER, at bottom. Scout cancellation.
- (b) (22c) ALTENBERG/uber BERGISCH GLADBACH, at top, Scout badge with church superimposed and date, 9.5.60 in centre; KONFERENZ der EUROPAISCHEN PFADFINDERBUNDE, at bottom. Scout cancellation used at Conference of European Scouts Association, Altenberg.

A spate of cancellations associated with the issue of the St. George's Day stamp! All are double circle type.

- (a) (17b) ST. GEORGEN (SCHWARZW) at top, with date, 22.4.1961, ERSTAUSGABE and letter b, c, or d, in centre; PFADFINDER - SONDERMARKE at bottom. Scout cancellation.
(Has anyone an example with letter 'a' ?)
- (b) (21b) EVERSBERG (KY. MESCHEDE) 1, at top, with a Scout pointing towards a church and date 29.5.61. 10 or 6.6.61 underneath, in centre; PFADFINDERLAGER 1961, at bottom. Scout cancellation.
- (c) (22a) MULHEIM (RUHR) at top, Guide badge, date with crossed hammers (?) underneath, in centre; LANDESTREFFEN der PFAD-FINDERINNEN, at bottom. Guide cancellation.
- (d) (22b) SPEYER, at top, Scout badge and date 23.4.61 underneath, in centre and ST. GEORGSTAG, at bottom. Scout cancellation.

- (e) (22c) BONN 1, at top, date 22.4.61, with ERSTAUSGABE/a or c, in centre; PFADFINDERSONDERMARKE, at bottom, Scout cancellation.
(It is presumed that examples with letter 'b' in centre exist).

The following cancellations are from the camp at BREXBACHTAL:-

- (a) (22b) BENDORF (RHEIN) SAYN, at top, Madonna and child, Scout badge and date, 22.4.61. 12 on sides in centre, PFADFINDERLAGER BREXBACHTAL 1961, at bottom.
(b) (22b) BENDORF (RHEIN) SAYN, at top, with Scout badge and date, 22.4.61. 12 on sides in centre and ZELTLAGERPLAYZ BREXBACHTAL, at bottom.

INDIA

Single circle. 3rd ALL INDIAN SCOUT & GUIDE JAMBOREE, at top, Scout and Guide badges combined and date, 27.12.60, in centre, BAPUTINAGAR (BANGALORE) at bottom. - Golden Jubilee of Indian Scout Movement.

NORWAY

Single circle. NSPF LANDSLEIR, at top, date, 28.6.61, in centre, RINGERIKE, at bottom. Guide camp cancellation.

SOUTH KOREA

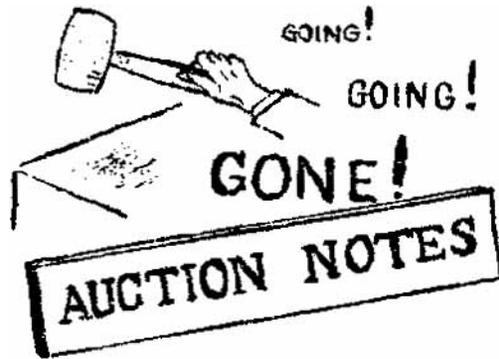
Korean Guide badge in centre surrounded by Korean characters (translation - 15th Anniversary of Girl Scouts of Korea), at top; date, 4294.5.10, at bottom. In violet.

SWEDEN

Single circle, VISINGSOLAGRET, at top, Scout and Guide badges and date 1.8.61, in centre; W.T.O's SCOUTFORBUND at bottom.

TRINIDAD

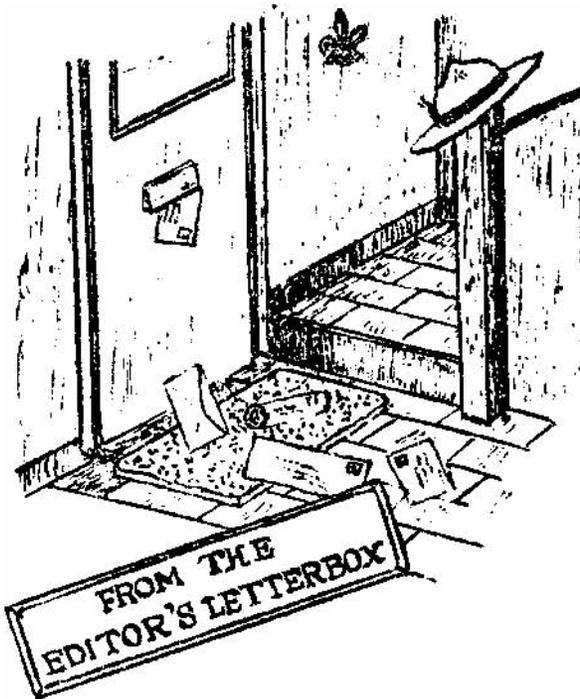
Single circle. JAMBOREE BO, at top; date, 4 AP.61, in centre, TRINIDAD at bottom - Second Caribbean Jamboree cancellations.



All bids to be filed by 30th October 1961 please.
 Items 24 to 29 are NOT Scout material. Send all offers and enquiries to Mr R. E. Rhodes, 38 Richmond Avenue, Highams Park, London, E. 4.

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- 1) 1948 SWITZERLAND National Camp, Lugano Label
 - 2) 1960 AUSTRALIA Sydney Jamb. Pmk. on plain cover
 - 3) 1960 BRAZIL 50 years Scouting stamp on plain F. D. C.
 - 4) 1960 BRAZIL - ditto -
 - 5) 1960 FINLAND 50 years Pmk on cachetted F. D. C.
 - 6) 1960 GREECE Amoikaeia Camp " cover
 - 7) 1960 PAKISTAN Stamp on cachetted F. D. C.
 - 8) 1961 TRIN. & TOBAGO Pair on cachetted F. D. C.
 - 9) 1939 SCOTLAND Monzie Castle Rover Moot Label
 - 10) 1960/61 Packet containing recent PAKISTAN & ARGENTINE
Singles & INDONESIA & IRAN sets (10 mint stamps)
 - 11) 1949 RUSSIAN displ. Person Scouts in Germany Min. Sheet
commemorating 40 years Scouting
 - 12) 1961 GERMANY Strip of 4 on commercial cover
 - 13) 1960 G.B. B. P. House IHQ Meter franking on cover
 - 14) 1956 ISRAEL Hulda Jamboree Cover
 - 15) 1957 G.B. Sutton Park (2½d. only) F. D. C. (Peterborough
Contingent)
 - 16) 1957 G.B. - ditto - but with 4d. value
 - 17) 1957 G.B. Jubilee Jamb. set of 8 labels in folder
 - 18) "Boy Scout & Girl Guide Stamps of the World". Book by
Gordon Entwistle in new condition.
 - 19) Scout Stationery. Collection of printed envelopes all ad-
dressed to Internat. Bureau, Ottawa from Scout H. Q. s.
in all parts of the world. 43 covers.

- 20) Scout Stationery. - Ditto - but 17 covers only
 21) - ditto - but 12 covers only
 22) - ditto - but 9 covers only
 23) Mystery lot of Scout Junk - Who's a Gambler?
 24) - ditto - only NOT Scout material
 25) 1958 MONACO IF IMMAL. CONCEP. MAXIMUM CARD
 26) 1960 GHANA Current set ½d to 6d. Used
 27) 1958 U.S.S.R. Pictoria set of 15 C.T.O.
 28) - Packet of assorted Pictorials incl. Czecho, Holland, Poland, and others - approx. 50 stamps.
 29) Envelope containing typical 'Bank Mixture' on paper (500 + stamps)
 30) 1957 G.B. 2½d used on cover 4, 8, 57 B.F.P.O. Xmas Island
 31) 1958 SWEDEN Incojalagrey registered cover
 32) 1960 PORTUGAL C.N.E. Nat. Camp, Estoril card (no stamp)
 33) 1960 DENMARK 30 & 10 Guide stamp on F.D.C.
 34) 1955/6 U.S.A. 6 Ghastly Cachetted covers
 35) 1953/8 - ditto - (only different)
 36) 1960 U.S.A. 4¢ stamp on F.D.C.
 37) 1944 N.Z. Health pair F.D.C. (Guide Princesses)
 38) 1953 N.Z. - ditto - (Scout & Guide)
 39) 1925 SWITZERLAND - Nat. Camp, Bern Label (Rare)
 40) 1935 CZECHOSLOVAKIA - Postcard (not Scout postmark) with early Scout Matchbox label affixed. (???)



Some of you may be interested in a very useful official publication which has been prepared and which is an illustrated survey on Scouting in 36 countries.

"FACTS ON WORLD SCOUTING", a 90 page booklet, is half a crown, plus postage, from the Boy Scouts International Bureau, Commonwealth Building, 77 Metcalfe Street, Ottawa 4, Canada, - a very good value it is, too.

If you read the "Philatelic Magazine", you may have noticed a reference recently to an unusual "Mafeking Seige" stamp. Whilst this does not concern the two stamps printed locally, i.e. the 1d. cyclist and the B-P stamps, since it is associated with the overprinted Bechuanaland Protectorate issue, it seemed to me worth mentioning.

It appears that a Lieut. Llewellyn who was with the forces outside the besieged town heard about these overprinted stamps and sent five shillings into Mafeking by runner to obtain a supply. Instead of the expected stamps, however, he received his own special "issue". The printers had taken a Bechuanaland Protectorate 1d. lilac stamp and overprinted it

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Even under the most trying conditions, someone had a sense of humour! This story is certainly new to me. I wonder who possesses, this "stamp" now?

Member Mr C.W.Hill has sent me a cutting from the "Birmingham Mail" - "The World of Stamps", a column which he edits. He has very kindly inserted a paragraph about the S.S.C.C. among his comments on Scout stamps which includes particulars of new issues. This is certainly a boost for the Club.

At frequent intervals I receive a letter from member William Anderson (No. 288) giving me details of future issues. He is able to supply all such material and if you have any difficulty in obtaining some of the more scarce items, I suggest you contact him.

A newsy letter from Mr F.J.Oppliger, member 160; he feels that membership to the S.S.C.C. should be limited otherwise the running and organising becomes a burden to the few. He also mentioned his interest in the article on "The Japanese Jamboree stamp" (May 1961 issue), since he was able to discuss this stamp with Mr Willard Boyles, a former Secretary of the S.O.S.S.I. and the first collector of Scout stamps as such way back in 1932. It is nice to hear that some of the articles published are useful to members.

John Hobbs, member 38, writes that he has heard from William Wells, member 372, concerning the cancellation used to advertise the World Rover Moot in Australia next December. It was used at Melbourne G.P.O. on April 17th and withdrawn after a single day's usage because the wording on the slogan read - PAN PACIFIC - SCOUT JAMBOREE - VIC. DEC. 29 - JAN. 9. So far our Australian member has only found two copies. This is something worth looking out for.

Anent the paragraph under "Here and There" (July Journal page 91) Stanley Hunter, member 51, tells me that the new I.H.Q. meter slogan mark was first used on April 24th, the publication day of the "B-P's Scouts". Fancy having to rely on our member "over the border" to supply this information? He also referred to a recent meter mark used by the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America at New Brunswick N.J. which depicts two Scouts, oho cooking over a fire. The inscription is - "Hi! come on - Join our gang! BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA." A final note from him mentions a publicity circular now available for use in Scotland. Supplies of this circular are available to Scottish members on application to him, but please enclose a 3d stamp for return postage.

In an interesting letter, Francisco Valadez, member 59, refers to the article on Cuban Postal Concession (July 1961, Journal). He writes that the Asociacion de Scouts de Cuba is not - or was not before the Revolution, - part of the Ministry of National Defence and is completely independent. The Ministry agreed to obtain this concession from the Government of Cuba. The concession is for ordinary mail only; for air mail it is necessary to affix stamps to the correct value required. Francisco considers that the latter covers are not true Scout items and with this I agree.

The concession goes back to 1928. Seals were used for a short period but have been discontinued by Castro because Cuba is a Democratic Socialistic Republic. Francisco's personal opinion, which will be shared by many, is that the recent revolution was communistically inspired. The present situation is obscure, for all members of the Executive Committee and as far as is known, the National Council, are in exile.

It would thus appear that a cover bearing the official hand-stamp is a desirable acquisition to a Scout stamp collection,

It is to be hoped that Scouting and all that it means will ultimately return to this ill fated island.

Francisco also mentioned that the Scout Association in Guatemala has for the past twenty five years enjoyed a similar concession. There is one difference inasmuch that for air mail letters, postage stamps to the value of the difference between ordinary and air mail rates have to be affixed, along with the

handstamp of the Association. Incidentally, Districts and Scout Groups also enjoy this concession.

It might be a good idea to make representations to our own Postmaster General! I bet to could cause a sensation in Parliament!

NEW MEMBERS

A very hearty welcome is extended to all the following new members who we hope will find much to interest them.

*Indicates Junior member.

375	*John Derek Embrey	14 Maxstoke Road, Sutton Coldfield, Worcs.
376	G. Byron Wildermuth Jr.	7348 Nth 20th Street, Philadelphia, Pa. U. S. A.
377	John C. Schmidt	6940 S. Winchester Ave. Chicago 36. Illinois. U. S. A.
378	Robert Hankinson	16 Egerton Road, Lacey Green, Wilslow, Chester.
379	David Arthur Savill	27 Coronation Road, W. Cowes, Isle of Wight.
380	Timothy John Carlisle	38 Berwick Road, Little Sutton, Wirral, Cheshire.
381	*Anthony R. Crompton	22 Durrants Road, Berkhamsted, Herts.
382	Ernest H. Turnbull	Portland, Northland, New Zealand.
383	*Ian Ambler	Church Street, Kawakawa, Northland, New Zealand.
384	Maxwell G. Strode	21 Prendergast Street, Pascoe Vale Sth. W. 7. Victoria, Australia.
385	Mr R. C. Lambert	3 Vincent Road, Sittingbourne, Kent.
386	*John Williams	43 Poolwood Rd. Wochurch Estate, Birkenhead, Cheshire.
387	Martin Cerajewski	29 Seagate, Kingsbarns, St. Andrews, Fife, Scotland.

388 Murray Field 25 Gildner Street, Kitchener,
Ontario, Canada.
389 *John Goodwin 100 Dongola Road, Tottenham,
London, N. 17.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

146	H. H. Ritter	has moved to	P. O. Box 493, Clayton, Georgia, U. S. A.
163	P. J. Schou	"	Corn. van Perestraat 24, COST SOUBURG (Zld) Netherlands.
60	D. C. D. Potter	"	28 Glyn Court, Leigham Court Road, London, S.W. 16.
363	E. C. Steel	"	6 Cedars Avenue, Walthamstow, London, E. 17.
289	J. S. Wilson	"	c/o 37 Malone Hill Park, Belfast 9.
150	Mrs Destie C. Holt	(But shortly emigrating to Australia)	507 S. Howard Knickbocker Apts. No. 1. Spokane 4, Washington, U. S. A.

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(With apologies to
Gen. de Gaulle)
by Howard L. Fears

The Committee elections have taken place. Why, you may ask, is there no ballot paper in this issue of the Journal? Simply, my friend, because only the existing post-holders have been nominated. About 10% of adult members have written to me on the subject and usually the nominations have been endorsed with such phrases as "proposed - for as long as they can serve." So for the year 1961 the elections are over, and from all the "new" committee may I express our thanks for your confidence.

Actually the question of the elections themselves is an

interesting one. The decision to hold them did not flow from any request on the part of members. But certain members of the Committee thought that as a democratic body, the "rank-and-file" should be given a chance to express their views. Now indeed it is more apparent than ever that the Club is in a most healthy state, and that as long as the Committee continues its present virile policy, all will be well.

Do not expect to hear the question of elections raised at frequent intervals. It is not our intention, for instance, to conduct them annually unless good reason exists for doing so. But with the Constitution we may truly describe our organisation as democratic.

And so ends another Journal. We hope it meets with your approval and contains some items that are of interest to you. We feel it is gradually reaching the ideal Journal we originally had in mind, but if you think some improvements are possible, please let me know and, if they can be adopted, well, we will do our best to include them.

Yours Scoutingly,

WILF NODDER

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ADVERTISEMENTS

1. 3rd Canadian Jamboree Cachets. The 11th Kitchener Troop is sponsoring attractive 3rd Canadian Jamboree Cachets (Ottawa July 6 - 16).
Cover with 1955 Jamboree stamp 50c. each
Cover with regular issue stamp 25c. each
Please order promptly from - MURRAY FRIED, 25 Gildner Street, Kitchener, Ontario, Canada.

2. 2nd Whitton Scout Group Silver Jubilee, October 7th. 1961. Special envelopes available, posted on day of Anniversary, Price 1/- each. Please send orders before 30th September to - JOHN E. HOBBS, 16 Blandford Avenue, Whitton, Middlesex.

3. LATEST ITEMS

Austria, 50 year cancellation	.....	35c.
" July Jamboree, 1961	.....	35c.
Canada, 3rd Jamboree cancellation	.....	35c.
Germany, St. George's Day, Speyer		
Cancel. Reg'd	.....	\$1
" F.D.C. Maxim cover,		
Legend of St. George	.....	\$1
" First Girl Guide cancellation	...	45c.
" Meter cancellations (2 different)		70c.
Israel, July 1961 cancellations	.....	50c.
" Scout seals, per full sheet	.....	80c.
Netherlands, Water Kamp cancellation,		
July 26th. reg'd.	.....	\$1
" ditto, not registered	.....	75c.
Surinam, F.D.C. complete with five		
stamps, Aug. 19th	.....	\$1
Trinidad, official programme	.....	\$1.15
" Patches each	.....	50c.
" Pre Jamboree slogan cancellation		35c.
Thailand, 3 values due in October.		
Togo, 6 values and sheet, due in September - lowest prices		
Portugal, due in September, special material expected.		

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