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by the ASSISTANT EDITOR.

"RING OUT THE BELLS", "RING OUT THE OLD, RING IN THE NEW".

A new volume of the Journal after a record 232 pages in 1965, the tenth year of the Club's existence, and the 50th issue of the Journal. To celebrate the event, I have tried to make it as interesting as possible, with plenty of illustrations, articles and another Club Auction to help to get some commission into the Club coffers to pay for it all! 'BILL' BOURKE's article on the Mafeking 'imprint' is an amazing discovery, and I do echo his request to members to assist him in his research by writing to him when he asks for information. Only by the co-operation of all members can we keep the research going, and bring to light facts that have not been known before.

"THE BELLS ARE RINGING FOR ME AND MY GIRL".

Well not exactly for ME, but it's the best title I could think of! Wedding Bells will be ringing out on the South Coast on SATURDAY, APRIL 16th for HOWARD FEARS and his bride, and I am sure that all of his friends throughout the world will be thinking of them on that day, and wishing all God's Blessing on the happy pair.

It gives me the greatest pleasure to announce this in the Club's Golden Jubilee issue of the Journal (even though we only took nine years to get there!) For all this time HOWARD has been the driving force behind the Club, and to him goes the credit for the increasing interest and vitality in our Club over these years. For once let me break the rule of not indulging in mutual back-slapping, and say a very sincere "Thank You, HOWARD" from all of us, wishing you all the best that life can bring in the years ahead. For very obvious reasons, the April edition will be published very promptly, and I can assure members that there will be NO special cancellation for the event!



THE PRESIDENT'S NOTEBOOK

This is the time of year (brrrr!) when I retreat into my most innermost sanctum (eh?), switch on, ignite or otherwise activate every available form of heating device and sit down to review the previous year's activities of our most illustrious Club, and then take a despairing look at what I have the audacity to call a 'Collection'. With the progress of the years, the amount to be mounted amounts to more than the amount mounted! Repeat 3 times in quick succession - sit down - and think!

I must extend warm thanks to our friends 'Bim' Knight and 'Nick' Nicholson (doesn't anyone have Christian names any more?) for manfully tackling their new posts as Membership Secretary and Treasurer respectively, and I entreat all members to assist them in their jobs by making sure that they get any changes of address and seeing that the new members come rolling along. The London 'Tycoons' have not yet really recovered from that stupendous auction that was reported in the last Journal. I went there hopefully in quest of a few prize items, but was not terribly successful. The realisations left us in no doubt of the continued hardening of the market in high-grade Scout material. Take heed of our Assistant Editor's 'Market Trends' column - he knows his stuff! Thanks to our genial hostess, Mrs. Kennett, the now-established Croydon meeting will make its annual re-appearance on Saturday March 5th. Members from London and counties south of the river, please note and try to be there. At least one member from abroad should be able to attend - we hear that Philippe Van Hille from Ghent is due in England at that time and no doubt he will come along. He is also a leading light in the Benelux Club and edits their publication 'Echo' (so-called because most of the articles are cribbed from us!)

Still no Centro-Africaine FDC's - If you see any, buy at least a dozen and write me a note quickly! Could be a trickly one this. 'Nick' Nicholson is exhibiting no less than 50 frames of Scout philatelia at the Sussex County Conference. What magnificent publicity!

As you will have read in the last Journal, I have been taking a look at the various Club Services and in a separate article I deal with the new arrangements for these. So be you buyer or seller, I commend these words to your attention.

ROY E. RHODES.

SPEJDERFRIMAERKEKLUBBEN !

This is the name of the latest Scout Stamp Club to be formed, and is that of the Danish one, which is receiving great impetus and publicity in Denmark. I have read, and vaguely understood, an article in the Danish "St. George's Guild" (of Old Scouts and Guides) magazine, written by Hr. KNUD NYHOLM-JENSEN on the subject of Scout Stamps. I have also been sent the details of membership of the Danish Club, of which KNUD is the 'Klublederen' (Club-leader).

Basically, the Danes have made the Club an extension of the S.S.C.C., and their subscription includes automatic membership of our own Club. To this they add the benefit of a bulletin in their own language, and meetings and opportunities for exchanging material and news are envisaged.

Now there are already several Danish members in the S.S.C.C. and if they do not yet know about their own national club, they are asked to contact the 'Kontaktmanden' (delightful expression)!, who is my old friend:

GEORG L RASMUSSEN,
AALEKISTEVEJ 54-2,
VANLOSE, DANMARK.

Hr. ERIK WEBER is the Treasurer of the Club, and no doubt we shall be getting a good influx of members from the efforts of this very go-ahead group of collectors.

Denmark has always had a special place in my affection, for it was the first country I visited as a Scout after the war, and the 'yellow-Scouts' of Horsholm and Kongens Lyngby and the 'green-Scouts' of Rungsted Kyst were the first foreign Scouts I ever met. I am pleased to say that I still meet up with some of them on rare occasions, and should any of our Danish members find themselves coming to England, I can guarantee them a real Scouty welcome in London from those of us here.

How about an illustrated article on the cancels of Denmark? If our new branch will supply the details and illustrations, I will feature it in a future issue.

Med Spejderhilsen fra alle engelske Medlemmerne,
JOHN D. ROAKE.

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THE SECRETARY - GENERAL

WRITES

I suppose it is bound to be a surprise to members who imagine that CLUB Secretaries and the like are immune to the influences of the "arrows of love". After all these years - more, even, than I care to remember - I have fallen. And, in short, the nuptials are to be at UCKFIELD on April 16th. As my many advisors do not cease to remind me, that will mark the beginning of the problems. Hoping, at the moment to buy a little 400 year old country cottage that, as yet, hasn't even got sanitation, means more work to come. But still, it's a good cause, and, well, it's rather nice, you know! Anyhow, if any members happen to be in the Uckfield area on April 16th do come along; details gladly given.

THE A. G. M. AND THE F. S. B. FUND.

It is convenient to remember together the Annual General Meeting and the Stanley Blunt Fund, about which I wrote in the last Journal.

Concerning the A. G. M., I can announce that it will be in May at B-P House on a Saturday afternoon in the library. The last item - the actual date in May - will be advised in the next Journal. On the occasion of the A. G. M. we intend to give the donations from members in memory of the late Stanley Blunt to the B-P House funds. Doubtless many members have been waiting to know when the Fund will close, and thus donations may be sent to me until the time of the A. G. M. But if you send sooner, rather than later, this will be all to the good.

THE CLUB CATALOGUE.

Within a few days of the distribution of this issue of the Journal, the despatch of the Club Catalogue should start. It is even bigger than originally envisaged. 140 pages of text, 14 pages of illustrations - all very nice. For organisational reasons the copies without binders will be sent first, followed with as little delay as possible by the remainder.

The bookings are heavy and if you haven't yet ordered your copy, perhaps you should do this RIGHT NOW.

OFFICIAL CHANGES.

If you study the list of officers contained on the inside front and back covers of this issue you will notice several changes.

The Club is keeping abreast of the times, and its organisation follows suit. We welcome all the volunteers and thank everyone for their help.

JOURNALS FROM OVERSEAS.

Numerous branches or chapters and, indeed, separate allied organisations send me, from time to time, their Journals.

This helps greatly in co-operation between collectors with a common interest. For example, Scout and Guide Stamp Society of Australia have asked if we can help with our Permanent List and mint stamp services.

Delighted to help.

CROYDON MEETING.

Committee members are asked to note that a meeting of the Committee will be held at 2.30 p.m. at Mrs. Kennett's. The Regional Meeting will follow at 4.30 p.m.

STOP FLASH : THE CLUB CATALOGUE.

The Frontispiece for this is now enclosed as a sample with this copy of the Journal. Distribution will begin in 10 days. If you wish to take advantage of pre-publication reduced prices YOU MUST ORDER NOW.

CLUB SERVICES - BUYING AND SELLING

A dissertation on the revised arrangements that have been made to give the best benefit to all concerned. By

ROY E. RHODES - President of the S. S. C. C.

Some months ago I was deputed to look into the various aspects of obtaining and disposing of Scout stamps, postmarks, FDC's etc., and as a result I have co-ordinated the varying methods of buying and selling of members' material; but firstly a few words on the two main sources of material - the P. L. D. and Mint Service.

PERMANENT LIST.

Our Secretary-General instituted this method of obtaining FDC's, Scout cancels etc., and those members who take part in the P. L. D. get very advantageous terms for those items that Howard is able to obtain. The various categories of distribution are FDC's only, cancels only, registered items of FDC's and registered items with Scout cancels, or any combination of the above. One is morally bound to accept all that comes along, and I repeat, that it is very good value for money.

MINT STAMP SERVICE.

Operates on the same system, for single stamps or blocks, but for obvious reasons does not extend to plate blocks etc.

For both of the above services, application should be made to H. L. fears, who will arrange for material to be sent at timely intervals from one of the 'distributors', to whom payment should be made, and NOT to any other of the Club activities. The reason is that Howard operates and finances these distributions personally, as the Club is never in a position to lay out several hundred pounds when expensive sets and covers come along. At this stage I would ask those members who are a bit dilatory about paying their mint and Permanent List accounts to be considerate towards this matter, for without Howard's generosity in financing these services, they would not exist!

SALES BUREAU, APPROVAL SERVICE, CLUB PACKET and CLUB AUCTION.

For members to participate as both buyers and/or sellers we have these four methods of sale and purchase, and I have co-ordinated all of these so that the Club as the handling agent, benefits from each transaction to the extent of 10% commission from each sale, this amount being deducted from payments made to the sellers.

SALES BUREAU - operated by CHARLES SEATON.

Sellers who are able to offer a minimum of SIX of any particular stamp, set of stamps, FDC, or cancellation on cover are able to send these to Charlie Seaton, giving him a note of the GROSS price at which you wish to offer your wares, and these will then be listed in the Sales Bureau columns of the Journal for a maximum of six editions, after which the balance unsold will be returned to the seller. Payments to sellers, less the commission, will be made from time to time by Charles.

It will be seen from this Journal that this is already in operation, and much new material is now on offer.

APPROVAL SERVICE - operated by DAVID START.

Sellers with off items for sale, or ones too valuable to be sent on the rounds of the Club Packet, may send them to David, who makes up ranges of covers to send to those members who ask for approval selections. Here again, members are invited to send their items for sale to David, together with prices, and he will also make net payments to members from time to time.

David has been supplied with quite a good range of new items and those who are interested are asked to contact him direct.

CLUB PACKET. - operated by ROY E. RHODES.

After the magnificent work that has been done by JOHN HOBBS on the Club Packet for several years, I enter on to the scene with trepidation, and hope that we shall be able to offer a good range of material through the packet.

How does the Packet work? Well - a selection of approval books of stamps, envelopes of covers etc., will come to you by parcel post, and you have a FEW days to sort them over, compare with your collection and buy what you want. You then send off the packet to the next name on the circuit and send a remittance to the Club Packet Superintendent (Gee, that's me folks!)

Now, if you want to make use of this for selling, you make up approval books of stamps, price them clearly and send to me for inclusion in the next circuit. For covers, you put them in an envelope with the list of contents and prices on the outside, and likewise send them to me.

I am now making up the next packets to go out, and would ask all those who wish to have the packet sent to them to write to me and give their names and permanent addresses. I wish to make up new circulation lists for the new packet circuits.

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CLUB AUCTION operated by JOHN ROAKE.

This latest feature of the Club's activities has met with great approval and appreciation from the provincial and non-United Kingdom members, the latter of whom are not able to participate in the Approval Service and Club Packet through reasons of insurance etc.

From the point of view of buyers (bidders) there is complete safety in buying something that they have not seen, in that any lot may be returned if not completely satisfactory. From the seller's point of view, the scarcer items will reach a really worthwhile value and quite a speedy turn-round of cash.

If you want to sell anything through the auction, you should send it to John with a list of the items and RESERVE PRICES (i. e. the lowest gross price, before commission at which you are prepared to sell). John will then enter it for the auction, together with his estimated valuation, and in time the highest bidder will buy, and when all the lots are paid for, you will get your net realisation. As this takes quite a bit of space in the Journal, John has full authority to accept or reject any items for auction, and will obviously give preference to items that are bound to sell and give the Club some commission.

MEMBERS' ADVERTS.

Members have the right of one free advert, of a few lines only, each year, and anything that they offer for sale will NOT be subject to commission for the Club. Larger adverts may be inserted upon payment for space, and the Editorial Staff reserve the right to accept or refuse adverts as they think fit.

NOW - THIS IS NEW!

Mister-Average-Collector, having read this, are you in doubt which method of selling or buying suits you best? Drop me a line and I'll do my best to advise you. If you are sitting on a lot (or even a few) items you wish to dispose of, then send them along to me and I will make up booklets and envelopes for the 'packet' or place them with the other services as thought fit. Now, there is no excuse for you to say that you don't know what to do.

THIS IS IMPORTANT.

A considerable amount of work and expense is incurred when members send a bulk payment to one official, asking that it be divided amongst the various services, and when this is combined with renewal of subs, P.L.D. payments etc., an unfair burden is placed on the official. May I ask you to make individual payments to the appropriate officials only? Thanks, I know you won't let me down.



by the Assistant Editor.

Many of you younger members must have thought that this game of stamp-collecting is all very well for the older folk who seem to be able to dip into their pockets at will, and pay out several pounds for a special cancellation or the pre-war sets of stamps that rise with astronomic regularity; but what can you do?

Collecting stamps can be as much or as little as you make it. The idea of amassing large valuable collections can be said to be a good form of investment, provided one realises that the vanity of owning a large expensive collection cannot match with having to cut down on essentials.

But to get back you folk with limited expenditure - what can you do to get more fun from your stamps? There is great pleasure to be got from showing your collection, and explaining what you know about the stamps to your friends; but let me suggest a few ways to make it more interesting to your friends. Let your collection tell a story, or even several stories.

It is not necessary to mount your stamps in date order, or alphabetical order, you can do just what you want, and write-up the pages as you wish, adding pictures or what you will. An obvious thought is to make a feature of a few pages with B-P's various portraits on stamps, and linking them with copies of the original paintings or photos.

What about a few pages on "Boy Scouts in Camp"? There are stamps showing tent-pitching (Syria), Fire-lighting and cooking (Philippines, New Zealand etc.) Camp-fires (Indonesia, Nigeria, Malagasy Republic, Turkey etc.) and other Scouting activities; hiking, map-reading, sports etc. exist in plenty. PETER DUCK's article on Cubs and the earlier one about the "Scout Band" gives other ideas. What about "The Scout Law on stamps"? Remember that COLLECTING is not just HOARDING!

WOLF CUBS ON STAMPS
by PETER DUCK.

As 1966 brings the 50th Anniversary of Cubbing, it may be considered appropriate to make some notes about Cubs who have been featured on stamps.

The first Cub on stamps appeared in 1932 in the Roumanian set that was issued for the SIBIU Jamboree. On the 50 bani + 50 bani value there is a Wolf Cub engaged in semaphore signalling. By the time the MAMAIA Jamboree came round in 1934 and the stamps were overprinted, our Cub was still signalling there!

Not until 1950 did the next Cub appear, this time an American Cub Scout who is shown with his big brothers, Scout and Explorer, on the stamp issued for the 40th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America.

In 1954 Cuba's stamp for the 3rd National Patrol Camp of the Boy Scouts of Cuba depicted EDUARDO R. ALMEYDA, who together with JOSE A. MOLA represented all the Cubs and Scouts of their country on this stamp designed by Mr. ENRIQUE CARAVIA. FDC's of this stamp have been seen with the signatures of both boys. It is believed that both of them, adults now, are living in the U.S.A.

The next Cub to appear is that chubby smiling one that features in the longest set of Scout stamps yet (15 of them) that came from Nicaragua in 1957, but wrongly dated 1856-1956! This seems to be a habit with this country, the previous occasion being the 1948-1948 muddle concerning the stamps for the Baseball Championships. In the 1957 set there are five 'ordinary post' stamps, and our Cub appears on the 15c value. The balance of the set are 'air post' stamps and the Cub appears on the 5c value. He is also to be seen on one of the miniature sheets that accompany this issue.

In 1960 Greece issued a Scout set on St. George's Day, a very helpful Cub appears with a Scout on the 50 lepta value - they are seen to be engaged in the useful job of re-afforestation. 'From the acorn grew the mighty oak' in real life.

A cub with a most engaging grin appears with his sister Brownie on the 109 k. value of the 1962 set from Turkey. He is giving a snappy salute, and the design of this stamp was used for the cancel on FDC's. Proud Cub he must be to so celebrate Turkey's Anniversary of Scouting.

On three values of the 1962 Colombia set, I see what I take to be a Cub sitting in the crowd round the camp-fire. This set commemorates their 30th Anniversary of Scouting.

A very sorrowful Cub is shown of the 3m. stamp of Cyprus's 50th Anniversary set issued in 1963. He must be worried about the price of the miniature sheet, where he appears again, or is it the pain of having his watermark inverted!

In the colourful border of the small sheets of the very late commemoration by the Maldive Islands for the 1963 Jamboree, we have no less than eleven cubs, getting under the feet of the drummers of my 'Scout Band'.

When we get to 1964 and the infamous set of Dubai, there are Cubs all over the place on the 3 np., 40 np., the 4 x 40 mp. min. sheet issues together with the Innsbruck overprints, air-letter sheets and what-have-you! It strikes me that there are more Cubs shown on a complete set of these stamps etc., than there can possibly be in the whole of Dubai!

A Cub salute forms part of the design of the 20 m. value of the 1964 Promise Camp issue of Libya. This is repeated on the miniature sheet.

Senior Sexer BRUCE FRASE DERRICK of the 1st Suva Pack is shown on the 1/- value of the pair of stamp issued for the Jubilee Jamboree in Fiji in 1964. In the stamp, Bruce is only wearing two arm-bands of a Sixer's rank, which is somewhat of a mystery as the original photograph clearly shows all three! Perhaps the designer had unwittingly read some new rules in P. O. R!

The latest Cub to appear is on the 1965 Ryukyu Islands stamp of 1965 and celebrates the modest but welcome 10th Anniversary of Scouting in these U.S. -administered islands south of Japan.

And what of 1966? Will there be any country issuing a stamp to celebrate the Golden Jubilee of Cubbing? I hope no-one in the Trucial States reads this, or I fear they will "have a go"! And what about a Cub cancellation? Other than in the field of meter cancels, there is no real cancellation that can be called exclusively WOLF CUB.

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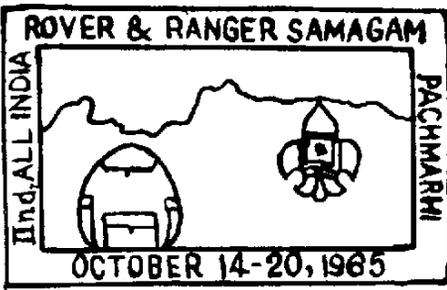
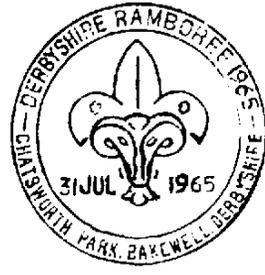
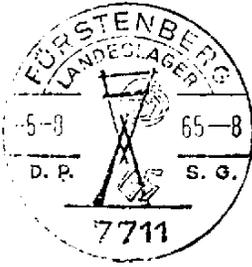
HARALD THOURSIE (Sweden) and GEORG RASMUSSEN (Denmark) have both written concerning the cancels from Odense to which I referred in the last issue. It appears that the fleur-de-lys or arrowhead, together with the two six-pointed stars are the badge, or part of the coat-of-arms, of the city of Odense. The 'Ph' superimposed, signifies Philatelisk, and hence one gets 'The Philatelic Club of Odense'. No Scouting significance other than the coincidental use of similar emblems. Thank you Harald and 'Ras' for the information on the subject. JDR.

CANCELLATIONS OF 1965.

- AUSTRALIA Dec. 29th to Jan. 8th 1966. First National Senior Scout Venture, Perth, Western Australia.
- AUSTRIA May 22nd. 10 Jahre Pfadfindergruppe 82 Grinzing. Briefmarkenaustellung. (Three cancels, 1, 2, & 3 known).
- " June 12th. Osterreichische Pfadfinderbriefmarken Sammlergilde. Gildentreffen 1965. (cancels Nos. 1 to 16)
- " June 5th-6th. 20 Bundesführertagung der Pfadfinder Osterreichs, Feldkirch, Vorarlberg. (cancels Nos. 1-4)
- " July 28th - Aug. 5th. Internation. O.Ö. Landeslager. Treffen von Pfadfindern Europas. Haslach, Oberösterreich. (thought to be four cancels, Nos. 1-4) (not illustrated)
- BELGIUM Oct. 10th. Vlaams Verbond v. Kath. Meisjesgidsen. Leuven.
- BRAZIL 1° Jamboree Panamericano. 15 a 25 Jul. 1965 IV Centenario. Rio de Janeiro (Only seen in association with the Rio de Janeiro special F.D. cancel of the Scout Stamp).
- CEYLON April 29th (only date seen) 'Asian Moot Ceylon' in a double ring with Singalese Characters (N.B. the second 'N' is incorrectly formed in the cancel).
- DENMARK July 21st to 31st. Slagelse, Trelleborg.
- FINLAND August 6th, 8th and 9th seen. Hakkis, Sauvo.
- FRANCE 23/24th August. Camp National Route. 05 - Chorges. Eclaireurses Eclaireurs de France.
- GERMANY May 23rd. Finnentrop. Tage de Jugend.
- " June 1st (earliest date seen). Pfadfinderlager Brexbachtal. Bendorf-Sayn.
- " June 4th to 12th seen. D.P.S.G. Land Essen Landestreffen St. Altfried. Kettwig.
- " June (only 7th seen). 15. Pfingstlager D. Landesmark Waterkant im Bund. Deutscher Pfadfinder. Granstedt.

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- GERMANY August 4th to 7th seen. 1965 Jamborette. BDP Landesmark. Schleswig-Holstein. Itzehoe.
- " (Only August 5th seen). Fürstenberg Landeslager DPSG.
- GT. BRITAIN July 31st to August 7th. Derbyshire Ramboree 1965. Chatsworth Park, Bakewell, Derbyshire.
- INDIA Oct. 14th to 20th. IInd All-India Rover & Ranger Samagam. Pachmarhi.
- ISRAEL August 9th. 9th National Jamboree (in Hebrew) Yoqneam 9-8-1965 (in Hebrew and Roman characters).
- " August 1st onwards. Slogan cancel from Tel-Aviv advertising the above event. Slogan in Hebrew only.
- JAMAICA August 9th. Girls Guide Golden Jubilee. International Camp. Up Park Camp, Jamaica. (Note the incorrect spelling "Girls Guide"!)
- JAPAN August 1st. Towada B.S.J. (remainder in Japanese).
- " August 6th. 50th Anniversary Camp (and in Japanese).
- MEXICO Sept. 27th. XX Conferencia Mundial de Escultismo. Correos - Mexico. Prima dia de Emision (F.D.C.)
- NETHERLANDS July 28th to August 4th. Nieuwkoop 28 Juli tem 4 Aug. '65. Nationaal Waterkamp. (and Auto-postkantoor Nos. 1, 2 & 3)
- NEW ZEALAND Jan. 12th (only date seen) Dominion Sea Scout Regatta. Paremata, N.Z.
- NORWAY Aug. 4th (only date seen) Landsleiren, Foling.
- PARAGUAY Jan. 15th. Prima dia de Emision. Correo Paraguayo. First Day Issue. (on F.D.C.)



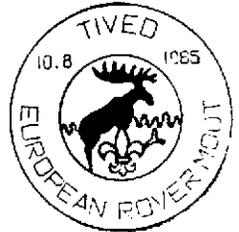
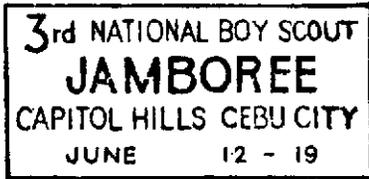
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CORREOS - MEXICO
SEPT. 27, 1965
PRIMER DIA DE EMISION



- PHILIPPINES May 16th onwards. 25 years of Philippine Girl Scouting
1940-1965. (slogan cancel from Manila.)
- " June 12th onwards. 3rd National Boy Scout Jamboree,
Capitol Hills, Cebu City. June 12-19. (slogan from
Cebu City).
- RYUKYU IS. Feb. 6th. The cancel used on F.D.C. of the stamp
commemorating 10 years of Scouting in the Ryukyus.
- SWEDEN June 6th. Fjäras. Koitjärve. (Estonian Scout centre
in S.W. Sweden).
- " June 26th to 30th. Barsebäck, Zodiaken. (KFUK and
KFUM camp)
- " July 7th to 15th. Liden. (IOGT Camp).
- " July 12th to 17th. Klintehamn. Gö-Sö-Lagret (SMU Camp)
- " July 28th to Aug. 5th. Tranas. Scoutlägret Illean
- " July 30th to Aug. 9th. Stegeborgslägren. Svenska Scoutför-
bundet.
- " Aug. 15th to 23rd. Bäckaskog. Dackelägret.
- " Aug. 10th to 20th. Tived. European Rover Moot.
- U. S. A. July. 17th onwards. Wavy Line canceller with single-
ring town-name reading Roundup. Id, 83803.
(used at the Senior Girl Scouts Roundup).
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METER-CANCEL Used at Boy Scouts Headquarters. London S.W.1.
GREAT BRITAIN Scouts' World Friendship Year Oct. 1965 - Sep. 1966
(designed by Club-member NORMAN ROWE, and included
in this listing for this reason).

Cancels from Dandenong, Australia, and Alababad, India, with
dates in 1965 are ones which had their first date of use in
December, 1964.



THIRD S. S. C. C. AUCTIONEst. Val.

1	Cyprus 1963 set on registered FDC	6/-
2	Finland 1960. Scout and Guide 50 years cancel on cover	6/-
3	Greece 1963. Cover bearing special Rhodes Conference can.	2/6
4	Hungary 1939 set on card with "C" cancel dated Jul. 25th	20/-
5	Hungary 1939 set on sheet "C" cancel dated Jul. 28th	20/-
6	Hungary 1939 set on card with BLUE "E" cancel, Jul. 30th	30/-
7	Japan 1962 Pre-Asian Jamb. Stamp Show cancel on spec. cov.	7/6
8	Norway 1061 Ringerike N. S. P. F. Landsleir cancel on cover	2/6
9	Switzerland Imprint block of 10 (Pl. B.) of Scout stamp used	4/-
10	Thailand 1961 set on official FDC and special cancels	6/-
11	Cyprus 1963 miniature sheet. Upright watermark	45/-
12	Jamaica 1964 set on FDC	5/-
13	Fiji 1964 on FDC with SUVA postmark	4/-
14	Great Britain 1957 set on plain FDC from FERSEY C. I.	4/6
15	Greece 1960 Publicity leaflet in colour in English	5/-
16	Liechtenstein 1953 10 rp. val on FDC	7/6
17	Switzerland 1957 Goms Ulrichen cancel on folder	10/-
18	France 1947 Plain cover with special Jamboree cancel	15/-
19	Brazil 1956 Parana cacheted cover for camp at Curitiba	35/-
20	France 1938 "Plein Jeu" cancel on cut-down card (scruffy!)	7/6
21	Hungary 1925 set mint (twice mounted) printed flaw on 2000b.	50/-
22	Turkey 1949 'Sefkat Pulu' o/p Two mint stamps, diff. shades	40/-
23	France 1939 "Fea de Camp" o/ps on plein Jeu labels (set of 5)	25/-
24	As previous lot but IMPERFORATE	60/-
25	Turkey Label (Thorsen No.1) imperf three sides, unmounted	12/-
26	Great Britain. 3 Off. covers, Jamboree, Indaba and Moot covers each bearing 1/3 vals. only with Aug. 1st F. D. cancels	15/-
27	Portugal 1962 Publicity brochure bearing the 6 stamps, 3 cancelled with LISBOA CTT, the others with rare PORTO can.	17/6
28	Greece, 1963 Souvenir of 20 d. stamp with 2 other stamps	5/-
<u>Various commercial covers addressed to Lord and Lady Baden-Powell:</u>		
29	29th Aug. 1934. A cover from New Malden to Paxhill	15/-
30	20th Feb. 1937. From Holland to B-P with Vogelenzang lab/rev.	25s
31	1937. 3 various covers from GB. Holland and France	30/-
32	1937. A further 3 various covers	30/-
33	1932 to 1964. 20 various covers, mainly modern to Lady B-P	50/-
34	Confirmation telegram from Bengal Scouts and gold telegram envelope (1937 when B-P awarded the O.M.)	25/-
35	Similar lot, from the Governor, Scouts & Guides of Uganda	25/-
36	Telegram (no env.) of congratulations from Scouts" Malta	15/-
37	Similar lot from the 13th/18th Hussars	15/-

The following lots form part of a specialised collection of Scout cancellations of Sweden, and are on plain covers except where otherwise mentioned.

40	1946	Sparreholm Jubileumslagret, dated Jul, 27th	18/-
41	1955	Virserum	5/-
42	1955	Snapphanelagret	5/-
43	1956	Galolagret	3/6
44	1959	Almolagret	3/-
45	1959	Ostersjölageret	3/-
46	1959	Amundo-Jamborett on special illustrated cover	3/6
47	1959	Ebbe Lieberath Jubilee, sp. cover and SSF label	3/6
48	1959	As previous lot, but on plain cover	2/6
49	1959	Postcard with portrait of E. Lieberath, spec. cancel	4/-
50	1960	Sandhem Olofsborg-Olevilinn	2/6
51	1962	Complete set of the five cancels for the year	7/6
52	1963	Set of 5 cancels. Vatteriks is spec. cov. and label	7/6
53	1964	Set of all 10 days cancels from Fjaras, Pohjala	17/-
54	1964	First and last Day's cancels from Fjaras	3/6
55	1964	Complete set of 5 cancels for the year	7/6
56	1965	Set of all 10 days' cancels from Barseback Zodiaken	17/-
57	1965	Official cover of the Barseback Zodiaken camp	2/6
58	1965	Complete set of 8 cancels for the year (as illus.)	10/-
59	1959/65	21 diff. cancels inc. 6 on illustrated covers	25/-
60	1962/4	5 diff. machine cancels on used covers	7/6
61	1963/4	5 diff. machine cancels on pieces	5/-
62	1955/63	12 cancels, all diff. on stamps on pieces	8/-

63		30 diff. Swedish Labels incl. 1955 set. etc.	15/-
64		100 diff. labels of the world with many Swedish etc.	20/-
65		Persia (Iran) 1950 Shah set unmounted	40/-
66		The 75d. val (Shah in uniform as Scout) from above set used	5/-
67		Finland 1947 'Westend' camp supplementary handstamp/Cover	30/-
68		Finland 1957 FDC	8/-
69		Finland 1958 Hango Hanko Scout cancel on Camp cover	12/-
70		U. S. A. FDCs from the 4 Scout & Guide stamps + 1 1960	10/-
71		Formosa 1961 cancel from 4th Provincial Jamboree	3/-
72		France 1947 Cover with poor strike of Jamboree cancel	15/-
73		Gt. Britain 1920. Roland House Pictorial label-brown & green	11/-
74		Norway 1956 Andalsnes cover with four strikes of rare can.	45/-
75		Czechoslovakia 1918 pair of forgeries of this issue	20/-
76		Czechoslovakia 1931. The rare roller cancel on FULL COVER	£15.
77		Czechoslovakia 1934. The rare KUTNA HORA cancel, full strike on small piece, dated June 16th, Guaranteed genuine	£10.

80	India 1937 Jamboree cover, fair strikes of the Camp postmark (F.D. Feb. 3rd) front and back; age stained	£ 8.
81	India 1965. The already rare Pachmarhi Samagam cancel (illus. this Journal) on cover, back-stamped all 7 days	30/-
82	Austria 1956. Ski-concourse. One cancel of each day (Feb 18th & 19th) with differing figures "1956"	10/-
83	Greece 1958 "Philia" cancel on cover	5/-
84	Israel. Cancels on illus. covers for '54, '56, & '61	16/-
85	Italy 1956 3rd National Camp, Perugia cancel on card	8/-
86	As above; set of 16 diff. illus. cards one of each date	45/-
87	Italy 1959; 2nd Rover Camp, Bracciano cancel on cover.	8/-
88	Mexico 1960 4th National Rover Camp. Supp'y handstamp/cov.	10/-
89	Switzerland. 1956 Saignelegier cancel on cover	10/-
90	U.S.A. 1957 4th Nat. Jamboree slogan cancel on cover	7/-
91	Germany 1956. The first Brexbachtal cancel on camp card	7/6
92	Brazil 1954 FDC	10/-
93	Brazil FDC's for 1957, 1960 and 1965	8/-
94	Canal Zone FDC's for 1960 and 1962	6/-
95	Colombia 1961 FDC	8/-
96	As above, but five covers each bearing block of four	30/-
97	Egypt 1956 FDC with scarce Abu Qir camp cancel etc.	25/-
98	Greece 1960 set on two FDC's	16/-
99	Haiti 1962 set on two FDC's	12/6
100	Haiti 1962 O/ps for 'Airport' on FDC	10/-
100	Indonesia 1959 set on Official FDC	8/-
102	Korea 1957 pair on Official FDC	10/-
103	Korea 1962 pair and the two min. sheets on 3 FDC's	7/-
104	Liberia 1965 set on FDC	14/-
104a	Liberia 1965 set and min. sheet on 2 FDC's	26/-
105	Libya 1962 set on special cover with label & hand-stamps	9/-
106	Panama 1964 set on 2 FDC's	6/-
107	Paraguay 1065 on two FDC's	35/-
108	Philippines 1954 FDC	10/-
109	Philippines 1957, perf. and imperf on FDC	14/-
110	Philippines 1961 pair, and pair on yellow paper on FDC	10/-
111	Togo 1961 FDC	10/-
112	Turkey 1962 FDC	6/6
113	Norway 1957. Good strike of rare 50th Anniv. roller can.	20/-
114	Dubai. Complete set of mint air letters and cards	22/-
115	Norway 1953. The very scarce SPEIDERLEIREN-RENSDAL camp cancel (two strikes, one clear of stamp) on cover	£5.
116	South Africa. 1948 Transvaal JAMBORALLY cancel and supplementary handstamp on cover, dated Aug 7th	£5.

120	Czechoslovakia 1946 II JUNACKY SNEM cancel on piece	25/-
121	Czechoslovakia 1945 KLATOVY SKAUTSKE SLAVNOSTI on piece	30/-
122	Netherlands 1937 set on cover, Jamboree can. "3 Aug. 3rd	60/-
123	Netherlands 1937 Jamboree cancel "3" on card July 31st	18/-
124	Netherlands 1937 Rare Jamb. "2" canc. on 1½c. Aug 9th	80/-
125	Australia 1948 FDC on official cover	5/-
126	Australia 1948 Yarra-Brae canc. on pre-opening day 28 Dec	10/-
127	Australia 1952 Graystones canc. on pre-opening day 29 Dec	10/-
128	Australia 1961 Rover Moot cancel. Reg'd cover with label	7/6
129	St. Vincent 1964 FDC	9/-
130	Qatar 1965 set and perf. and imperf min. sheets on FDC's	35/-
131	Jamaica 1952 FDC with rare Briggs Park cancel (no hyphen)	18/-
132	Dubai 1964 Scout set on FDC's	15/-
133	Cyprus 1963 Min. sheet on FDC	110/-
134	Mafeking 1900 1d. on ½d Cape (S.G. 1) on piece	20/-
135	Mafeking 1900 3d on 1d Cape (S.G. 3) used	20/-
136	Mafeking 1900 1d on ½d Bech. Prot. (S.G. 6) used	20/-
137	Mafeking 1900 1d Cyclist from Plate II (stamp No. 2, Top row clearing showing "n" and part of "a" of watermark; tiny thin	£18.
138	Mafeking 1900 3d (small) Unused and of good appearance with part original gum, but with severe thinning, lower part.	£10.
139	Czechoslovakia 1918. Fine used pair, Posta Skauta pmks.	60/-
140	Hungary 1925 set with fine first hinges mint	55/-
141	Iran 1950 Shah set in fine used blocks of 4	90/-
142	Australia 1937 BELAIR cancel, clear strike on illust. cover	£7.
143	Dubai, 1964, The set of miniature sheets	45/-
144	Dubai, 1964 The first 3 airletters Stamps orange, red & brown	10/-
145	Liechtenstein 1957. The 2 sheets (Pl. I & II) unmounted mint	80/-
146	Sweden 1946 BJORKO camp. Registered cover & special label	20/-
147	Sweden 1959 IVOLAGRET. Registered cover & special label	10/-
148	Sweden 1961 OJALAGRET FLODA. Reg'd cover & special label	7/6
149	Sweden 1961 VISINGSO camp. Reg'd cover & special label	7/6
150	Sweden 1961 SOVDEBORG camp. Reg'd cover & special label	7/6
151a	Sweden 1951 card bearing both Oresunds & Ivarsbjorke canc's	15/-
151b	Sweden 1951 Cover bearing three strikes of ORESUNDS KFUM can	10s
152	Sweden 1955/56. Five Diff. cancels of these years	18/-
153	Brazil 1965 The Mint stamp on MARBLED PAPER. Scarce	20/-
154	Persia 1965 The rare perforation shift(¼in.) only 150 exist	20s.
155	Hungary 1933 set unmounted mint	22/-
156	Roumania 1935 set unmounted mint	50/-
157	Roumania Straja Tarii sets for '38, '39, & '40 mint.	45/-

The following lots comprise a selection of BADEN-POWELL SOUVENIRS etc., and were parts of larger lots bought at the recent London sale. They have been individually lotted to give as many of our members as possible a chance to secure their own personal souvenir of the Founder.

- ORIGINAL PEN AND INK SKETCHES BY B-P suitable for framing.
- 160 "When I talk of walking I mean sprightly walking" A pin-man Scout walking past a slouching youth. As on page 118 of "Rovering to Success" (pub. H. Jenkins) and also on dust-cover. Est. val. £10.
- 161 "Capt. John Smith & Red Indian". As on p.32 of "Adventuring to Manhood" (pub. C.A. Pearson) Est. val. £8.
- 162 "Mussolini addressing his Patrol" A very thin Duce threatening three cowering men. Drawn on British India Steam Navigation notepaper. Est. val. £6.
- 163 "Burmese women dress much like men. The women smoke cheroots" A finely drawn Burmese man and woman Est. val. £6.
- 164 Gibraltar - A Barbary Ape jumping, titled 'The Swallow Dive' & drawn for the Daily Mail Children's page. In B-P's hand on the reverse "There are other animals on the Rock besides Scouts; hairy baboons" On paper, which is slightly stained. Est. val. £5.
- 165 3 sketches, each app. 3"x4" which would make a neat framed triptyque, being the consecutive processes in mounting a camel! Titled "Getting Up", "Getting Upper" & "Uppest" E. val. £10
- 166 A small (3"x4") sketch of a Scottish soldier, head & shoulders only in pastel & crayon. Initialled by B-P in ink. Est. val. £3.
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- 167 "I saw the start of the Boy Scout Movement" Typewritten draft of a broadcast made in 1937 with many manuscript alterations by B-P in pencil, & initialled by him on the last of the 13 pages. The original draft, in pencil, of this talk sold in November for £80.
- 168 A letter to his Sec. at Scout HQ from S.S. Themisides, & on The Aberdeen Line notepaper, saying "Enclosed are of no moment, but may interest the departments to which they apply" dated 1912, and initialled "Yours, R. B. P. "
- 169 A 6"x8" photo (toned brown) showing B-P in civilian attire be-presented with a message from the President of the USA on his arrival (1912 Scout is saluting and appears to be wearing the metal Eagle Scout badge. Descr. from original scrapbook page.
- 170 Programme of 1913 Birmingham Scout Exhibition with 3 large photos of displays at the event. Prog. comprises 56 pages.
- 170 10-page prog. of 1914 Sea Scout Camp, Beaulieu River, 2 maps of sites etc. and facsimile letter to all campers by B-P.

- 172 Profusely-illustrated programme of The Chief Scout's Bally Leicester, Jul. 10th, 1937. 22 pictures of B-P and a short biography by his secretary, Mrs. E.K. Wade, are included.
- 173 Two large photographs of a rally of Scouts at Luton Hoo, pre-1914, at which Viscount Hampden inspected and spoke to those attending. Lord Hampden is seen in one picture.
- 174 Six pre-1914 photographs from Press agencies etc. depicting Scouts involved in various activities. Must be worth 10/-!
- 175 Six photographs, post-cards, of very early Scout groups etc.
- 176 Post-card published by Scout H. Q. showing 1908 Humshaugh Camp.
- 177 Mass of very early press-cuttings concerning Scouts from the pre-1914 period, includes many pictures. Est. 30/-.
- 178 Various odds and ends, press-cuttings, photos, post-cards and other pictures, Scouting letters etc. etc. for those prepared to have a gamble at a minimum bid of 40/-!
- 179 A contemporary photo of a letter from B-P to his opposing Boer General Sneyman, dated 23rd Jan, 1900. Interesting reading from the days when wars were quite gentlemanly affairs!
- 180 A letter to B-P from General Smuts when Prime Minister of S. Africa concerning the S.A. contingent to the Empire Jamboree. Gen. Smuts was on "the other side" in the Boer War!

ALL BIDS to F. D. ROAKE, 4 Caenwood Close, Weybridge, Surrey.

BIDS are accepted for this auction up to March 30th, giving adequate time to members abroad, and should be made on separate sheets of paper from correspondence.

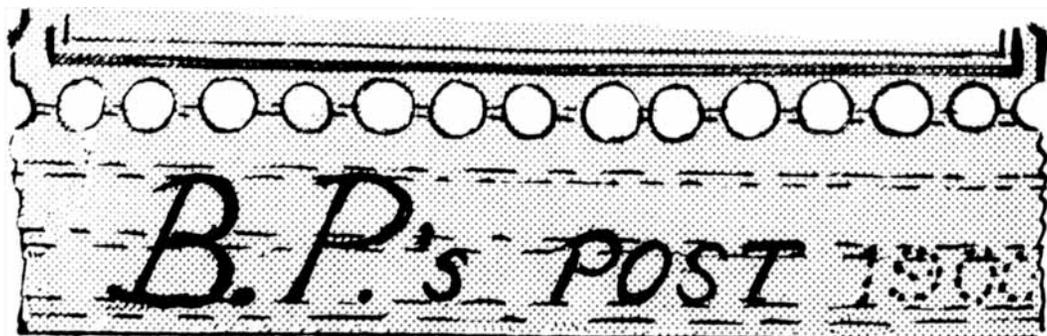
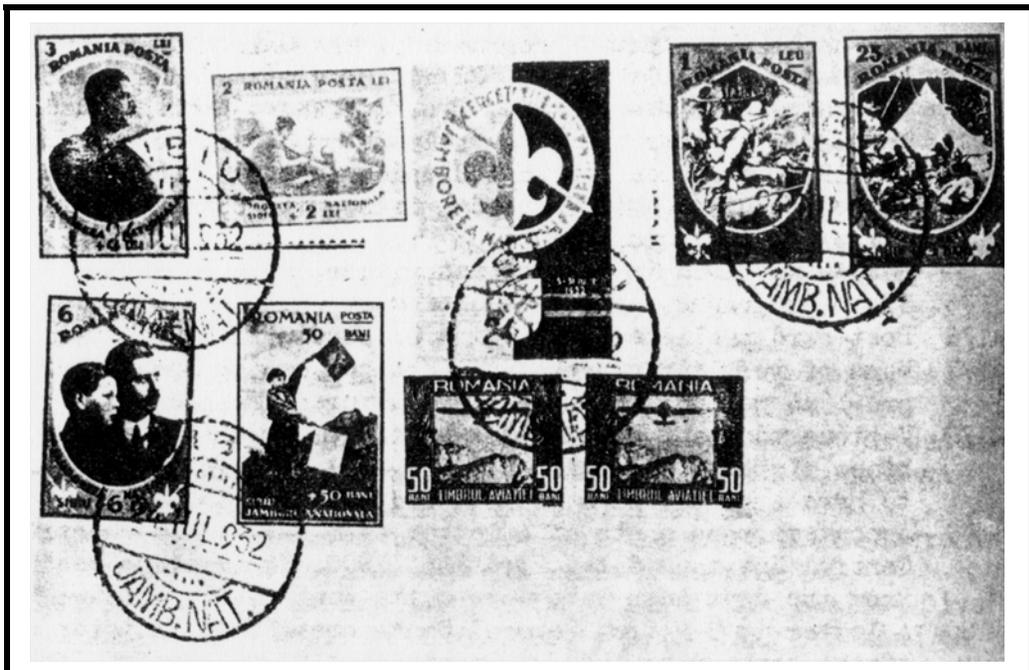
TO AVOID CONFUSION, bids of any amount will be accepted, but will be rounded down to the nearest whole shilling for bids over 20/-. Bids in dollars or other currency will be converted to sterling at London exchange rates.

MULTIPLE BIDDING.

You are invited to bid on as many lots as you wish, listed in the order of preference, but setting a maximum expenditure you wish to make. By this method, all bids later than your last successful bid on the list will be cancelled. Several members have expressed their satisfaction of this system, since they are able to bid on four or five times the lots they could afford, whilst knowing they have a fair chance of getting some successful lots within their stated limits.

ALL LOTS ARE SOLD SUBJECT TO THE BUYER'S SATISFACTION

If a bidder receives a lot which he does not think merits his bid, he is entitled to return immediately without giving any reason. The post in each direction must be paid by the bidder in these circumstances.



A MAFEKING LARGE-HEAD "IMPRINT" ?

by the Research Chairman - D. E. BOURKE.

I have recently acquired a deep-blue copy of the 3d. B-P Large-Head from the bottom of the sheet, with the piece of sheet margin attached. On looking at it carefully against a strong light for possible watermark, I was astonished to find that the margin showed some faint dark lettering, in a regular sloping script running exactly parallel with the lines of the laid paper and with the edge of the sheet. On neither the face nor the back is there any trace at all of this lettering when viewed by surface lighting, and although there are some traces of irregularities on the face, these do not correspond with the letters.

After much study of this lettering and having the stamp photo-graphed with the light through the paper, I have made it out as reading "B-P's post 1900", though the last group is uncertain. The stamp is centred somewhat to the right and this lettering is also displaced towards that side, appearing to equal in length the width of the stamp between frame-lines. We are reproducing the photograph opposite, to give some idea of the appearance of the letters though I am afraid not very much will show. (I have endeavoured to sketch this as well, but on further study, "post" appears NOT to be in capital letters as shown - JDR).

It seems reasonable to assume that this stamp is from the centre of the bottom of the sheet, and although in the circumstances of the Siege an imprint was clearly quite unnecessary, the existence of one would not be extraordinary - if only it was one which showed on the surface in the normal way. As it is, it is difficult to explain how the lettering is produced. This stamp, it may be noted, was formerly in the possession of Mr. Whiteley, Major of Mafeking at the time of the Siege, and had remained in his family ever since, until it was sold by Harmer's in January, with other Mafeking items also formerly belonging to him.

In the next issue of the Journal I am hoping to write on the plates of the "Penny Cyclist" stamps, and in the hope that I may also have some more information about this marginal lettering, as a matter of urgency will all readers who have, or have access to, any Mafeking stamps, whether B.-P. heads (Large or small) or the Cyclists, with any portions of sheet margin attached, please have a good look at them against a very strong light, shading around the

stamp - and let me know if you find any lettering. This applies to side and top margins as well as those at the base of the sheets. Who knows, we might even find some plate Numbers appearing, and that not only in the case of the Cyclists either!

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R A N D O M N O T E S

by Bill Bourke.

ROUMANIA 2nd National Jamboree, Sibiu 1932.

A letter from FREDY SCHERB gives me more details about his official cover from this camp, bearing the full set of six Scout stamps and cancelled with the camp datestamp in black which was described in the last Journal and is illustrated in this. (He mentions that the ink is of a particularly dark shade). The cover bears an imprinted label-like design in yellow and blue similar to the design of the large red handstamp, described and illustrated before. One of the most interesting points about it is the date, 24th July, which was the day King Carol and Crown Prince Michael arrived and on which the King assumed the office of Chief Scout. From this it seems at least possible that the special cover and the red handstamp were used on that day to commemorate the occasion, philatelic souvenirs with the stamps cancelled by the handstamp (such as we illustrated) being produced either for presentation or for sale.

He also tells me that his official camp card bears the text in German "Freundliche Grüsse aus dem Pfadfinderlager bei Hermannstadt" - Hermannstadt being the German name of Sibiu - and I should imagine that such cards must have been produced in other languages as well, Roumanian at any rate. Adhesive labels like the picture on the official cover are another possibility, and of course we still do not know what the special registration labels looked like. On the whole however, we have already assembled quite a surprising amount of information about a camp which has been a mere name on a stamp to most people until recently, and for this most of the credit must go to FREDY and his bloodhound instincts.

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BRAZIL - International Patrol Camp issue, 1954.

In case I may have given a misleading impression in writing about this camp and its stamp issue last time, I think I ought to add that the handstamp cancel with the half-length figure of Scout was not a special first day one - though it may well be that one of the two forms of it I mentioned was a special fixed-date one intended for the servicing of First Day Covers. The cancel was in fact the one used at the camp, and as I have examples for every day from the 27th July to the 3rd August inclusive, the Camp Post Office must presumably have been open every day of the week.

Having now looked at more material I am less certain as to whether the whole design is really re-drawn (as with most handstamps there is a good deal of variation in the appearance produced by individual strikes), or whether the difference is limited to the date portion. All my examples from days other than the 2nd August have stops after the abbreviation for the month, from that day both exist.

I did try to correct what I said last time before the December Journal went to press. On that occasion the draft came to me on its way to Mr. Fears so that I could add the index. This was duly sent off, the correction being sent the very next day - all to no avail, as Howard's staff had already fallen upon the Journal, torn it limb from limb and practically finished producing it, phoenix-like, for you lot to read (I hope); and all in a mere 24 hours - what excellent service we get.

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COMING OF AGE - 1929.

1929 was the year in which the 'Coming of Age' Jamboree was held at Arrowe Park. It also transpires that no less than FIVE of the Officers of the Club 'Came of Age' twenty-one years later! Probably the astrologers will be able to tell us that people born in 1929 were destined to become Scouts (provided they satisfied the prerequisite of being boys!) and that, being born under the sign of the Arrowe Park cancel, they would become stamp collectors! No prize for guessing who they are, but a clue is that (at the time of writing) four of them are still bachelors!

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by the Assistant Editor.

New issues for 1965 did not prove to be such a drain on our pockets after all. It started off badly with the Jordan, Qatar and Paraguay sets, but the rest of the year was generous to us, and only a modest amount was needed.

On the FDC front, Republique Centro-africaine seems to be a most difficult one, although I read in the Benelux Club's magazine "Echo" that members there have seen them. Anyone got a few to offer to the boys from London? (Well, what's the use of writing a column if one can't make use of it?)

An auction sale in London in January showed the ever-increasing prices of Mafeking. A collection formed by the Mayor of the town at the time of siege was broken up and fetched very high prices as individual stamps. A vertical pair of mint large 3d. stamps with a margin went round the room to well over £300 and finally realised £450! Not worth it you say? Well, do not forget that there were two people who thought it was - the buyer AND the under-bidder. It is always the under-bidder who sets the price in auction, not the man who buys the lot, and it is the under-bidder who makes or breaks the bargain in the auction room.

Speaking of auctions, I saw an advert. in an English Magazine about a firm of postal auctioneers with Scout Stamps featured in their latest sale, so I caused them to send catalogues to some of our members. I am told that they will have a further range of material in future sales, so if you want a catalogue send to E. Richardson, 33 Harrow Drive, Edmonton, N. 9.

On the subject of 'Markets', I am pleased to see the 'New Look' that ROY RHODES has given to the Club services, and all members will welcome the greater scope that is being afforded to them.

Our dealer-friends are still very active, and I am sure that MICHAEL BERRY of Healey & Wise will be looking forward to the regular gang that descend on his stand at STAMPEX in London. The firm will no

doubt be producing an up-to-date revised catalogue for the event, and many members consider this to be the best and most comprehensive one published by any firm of stamp dealers. So if you want to choose from the biggest stock of Scout material in the U.K. (my words; not taken from any advert.), I commend a trip to their stand. If you come on the opening day, I'll stand you a cup of tea!

The Scout Stamp and Badge Club associated with the 'Scout' and 'Scouter' have produced a revised check-list with current price-ratings for the very low sum of one shilling and sixpence, and has so jumped the gun on the Club's price-list, which is the next project after the Club Catalogue. NORMAN ROWE was responsible for this, and it is a most attractive little pamphlet.

NORMAN has also been busy for the last few months on the fourteen pages of pictures that are part of the 150 page Club Catalogue, and these are now being collated so that the long-awaited 'magnum opus' will soon be published. This catalogue is a Must for all serious collectors.

REG. MORRIS tells me that he still has copies of his monograph on Greek Scout Stamps and Postmarks available. This is a very good booklet, with excellent illustrations, and gives lots of useful information, so write and ask for your copy (or two copies as one will do to cut up to illustrate the cancels and watermarks in your collection).

1966 has got underway with the new, New Zealand stamp, two kinds of cancels, a special registration label - all very attractive. More news next time.

REGIONAL MEETING - KENT, SURREY and SUSSEX.

The third annual get-together of members from these counties, together with any from London and elsewhere who can make the journey, will be held at CROYDON on Saturday March 5th, at the very kind invitation of Mrs. M. E. KENNETT, whose hospitality has been so much enjoyed and appreciated in the past.

To enable our hostess to know how many to expect, members are asked to let MR. A. H. NICHOLSON know if they intend attending. The get-together will start at about 4.30 pm and will be held at Mrs. KENNETT's home at 49 Friends Road, Croydon (situated near Barclay Road, in the region of the Fairfield Halls). Most of the officers of the Club intend to be present, and it is hoped that members who have never attended a Club Meeting before will come along to swell the ranks.

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PETER'S POT-POURRI
by PETER DUCK.

NEW SKATAMERKI FROM ICELAND.

The latest Scout labels from Iceland have a Christmas theme, and are printed in strips of four with five strips to the sheet. All are printed in red, green, yellow and blue. They were designed by Friorika Gersdottir and printed by Setberg.

The designs are as follows:

1. Stained glass window containing Scout & Guide badges.
2. Three kings bringing gifts.
3. Stained glass window with sun motif.
4. Virgin and child.

Each label is worded SKATAMERKI 1965 at the top and ISLAND at the bottom.

Incidentally, the Scouts and Guides are one organisation in Iceland called the Bandalag Islenskra Skata.

THE WOLF CUBS ARE 50 YEARS OLD IN 1966, and Headquarters has issued some self-adhesive stickers for the occasion. The seals are circular in green and yellow showing a Cub badge superimposed on a fleur-de-lys and the wording "Wolf Cub Jubilee - 1966" around the border. They come in strips of 5 seals on backing paper at 6d. per strip. As they are printed face down on the backing paper, the seals have to be removed to be seen and are very flimsy so therefore are best mounted onto another piece of paper.

The Kenya Boy Scouts Association are using a rubber-stamped cachet on all their envelopes during 1966. It shows the Wolf Cub badge and reads "Kenya sends greetings to Cubs all over the World on the occasion of 50 years of Cubbing".

SHARJAH

On a leaflet recently issued by the Crown Agents regarding the stamps of Sharjah, it states "in Sharjah are located the headquarters of the Trucial Scouts". Whether this means boy Scouts or Army-type Scouts I don't really know. Also for your delight (?) came the facts that Sharjah has an area of 3,000 square miles and a population of 60,000, and is a progressive Arab State.

NEW ZEALAND PROGRESS JAMBOREE - JANUARY, 1966.

The new 4d stamp for the above event was issued on 5th January. The First Day cancel shows the fleur-de-lys tilted slightly to the right which is the same as on the stamp design, and the wording "Progress Jamboree, Trentham, N.Z." around the circle. Another cancel was in use throughout the camp of the normal circular type with the same wording, but no fleur-de-lys, just the date across the centre. At the time of writing, I have covers with this cancel from the 5th and 6th January.

NICARAGUA 1948.

Recently I was sent a cover bearing the 2 cents Scout stamp from Nicaragua dated 1948 (issued 1949). This is one of the most difficult Scout stamps to find on cover and although catalogued at a few pence in used condition is practically impossible to obtain. Another pleasing acquisition was a cover from the Boy Scouts H.Q., Kaboul, Afghanistan bearing three of the Scout stamps issued in 1962. Mind you, I had to send the stamps out there in the first place, but I am now happy that they can be commercially used.

METER CANCELS.

One new meter cancel that has come to hand recently from the Boy Scouts of Canada, P.O. Box 3520, Postal Station C, Ottawa 3, Canada. It is similar to the one already described in the listing in the Journal for October 1965, but also includes the words "return requested".

Another new one from Sweden, the design shows a Horseshoe in a square with the words "LYCKA TILL.." The cover also bears a label with a similar horseshoe design and the message "HASTSKOAK-TIONEN FÖR UTVECKLINGSSTORD UNGDOM, SVENSKA SCOUTFORBUNDET". means Horse-shoe action for Handicapped Youth. My thanks to HARALD THOURSIE for this one.

A member in Czechoslovakia has written to me stating that a meter cancel was issued in Austria in 1964 - does any member have any further information on this one, or a spare copy please?

Peter DUCK.

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H. M. THE QUEEN HONOURS S. S. C. C. MEMBER NO. 1.

Mr. T.M. L1. WALTERS, one of the earliest members of the Club, and who was quite fortuitously listed as No.1, in the records, has been a Scouter for many years and at present holds a Commissioner's warrant for the County of Leicestershire.

In the New year's Honours List, it was announced that the Queen had awarded him the distinction of MEMBER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE (M.B.E.) which letters he is now able to append to his style and title. The award was made "...for services to Scouting in the County of Leicestershire".

Member overseas, who may be unfamiliar with procedure in this Country, will be interested to know that Mr. WALTERS will be summoned to Buckingham Palace in due course, and will receive his decoration at the hands of Her Majesty the Queen.

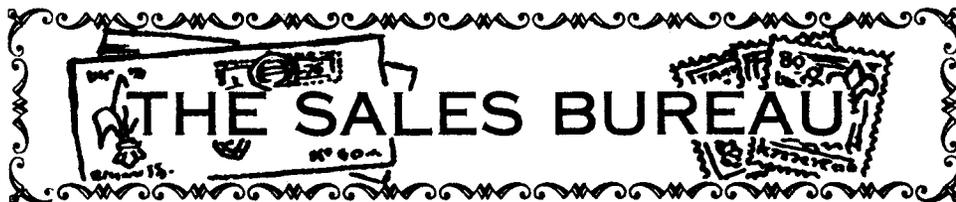
All members will wish to join in offering their congratulations to MR. WALTERS, and on your behalf, the Secretary-General has written to him in this vein.

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AUSTRIAN SCOUT LOCAL.

In the German magazine, "Der Sammler-Dienst", an article appears concerning a local-post that was operated at a Scout camp in 1947. The author, Dr. F. Reiser of Vienna, writes that this camp was held at Finstergrün Castle, Lingau, Salzburg, and as the nearest Post Office was some miles away at Ramingstein, the Scouts organised a delivery service to the post Office, for which a fee of 5 groschen was charged. This fee was pre-paid by the use of a rectangular roulette "stamp", rubber-stamp in purple on buff paper. The wording of the "stamp" read "Pfadfinder Sommerlager 1947 auf Burg Finstergrün. Ag. Zustellungs-Marke". A triangular cancellation for use in franking the "stamps" incorporated the badge of the Pfadfinder Osterreich and is also worded "Pfadfinder Osterreich Andeskorps, Wien. Lager D.VI Kolonne Schloss Finstergrün." All mail bearing these private markings will be also franked with Austrian stamps for further official delivery.

Although I have asked several members about this, there seems to be an extreme lack of knowledge. Can any of our friends from Austria give any further information and supply an example for illustration?
JDR.



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