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Regrettably, I find it necessary to offer sincere apologies to all our members, in particular to those who wrote - but did not complain - about the very late issue of the December Journal. Circumstances, partly domestic and partly beyond our control, were unfortunately the cause, but I can assure you that every effort will be made to see that future issues will be prepared and distributed "on time". Anyway, with this February Journal we are starting 1967 on the right foot and will try to keep in step from now on. Are we forgiven? I do hope we are. Five years ago, we started 1962 with a "Fifth Anniversary Number", but as in fact "Vol. 1, No. 1" was not published until July 1957, we propose this time to wait until June, when we hope to produce a special issue.

A steady flow of Scout stamps and cancellations continued throughout the past year; some of these were from countries which had not previously celebrated Scouting philatelically and were thus worthwhile additions to our albums, particularly as they were issued for a genuine postal use; others, fortunately in the minority, were issued for more dubious reasons and at a high cost to the purchasers. It will still be one of the aims of the S. S. C. C. to provide members with information on all new issues which appear, so that everybody can decide for themselves which items they wish to include in their collections.

You can also be assured that research into the many aspects of Scout and Guide philately and postal history will be actively pursued throughout 1967, but in this direction we do ask for the continues support and co-operation of members, so that the fullest details possible on any research problem can be collated and published in the Journal.

Shall we then all try to capture the spirit of our Advance Party, so that the present year will long be remembered by us as one in which we not only "looked forward", but also "went forward" together?
...Wilf.

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

My grateful thanks to

.....F. J. Taylor ----- for his letter in which he refers to a recent purchase he has made of some values of the Siamese "Wild Tiger" issues. Used copies of S.G. S7 and S8 were cancelled with a very clear large double circle mark having 'COURT OFFICE' in the bottom portion of the mark and the usual Thai characters at the top. He has been in touch with a friend of his who is a member of the Thai Philatelic Society and who does not recall that this cancellation has been previously recorded, although it is known that the King did have his own post office in the inner palace. Not only would our member be pleased to hear from anyone who can confirm that this is a genuine postal cancellation, but also the whereabouts of other examples: all this goes to prove that there is still a lot to learn about Scouting stamps.

.....my good friend FRANCISCO VALADEZ, who is the International Commissioner of the Association of the Scouts of Mexico, for sending me a copy of the "Revista Scout De Las Americas" so regularly every month; it is greatly appreciated.

.....BOB GEIR (Member 309), for sending me a press-cutting about the recent buying-out by the American Philatelic Society of the master stamp forger Raul Ch. de Thuin, estimated at more than a million pounds from his faking operations in Mexico over the past thirty years. He asks if any Scout stamps ever figured in this man's productions, and this we are looking into. Only such individually valuable items as the Thai "Tiger" and the Mafeking Siege issues would have been likely to have been worth his attention, possibly with the addition of the 1918 Czech. Scout Post Stamps. Also for a further cutting about the possibility of another special Scout stamp issue by the U. S. A.

.....MURRAY FRIED, PAUL VAUGHAN and others who have written to me during the past few months, suggesting either that the time is ripe for a merger between the S. S. C. C., Scouts on Stamps International (S. O. S. S. I.) and the new Australian Society, S. A. G. S. A., or on the other hand that our Journal and that of S. O. S. S. I. should be combined. This sort of proposal is something for our Club Committee to which I have referred it, but I know that in the past, it has always been felt that such mergers would lead to an unwieldy body - while as to the Journals, my own view is that present-day high postal charges and long delays to surface mail would require separate production in any event. But have you any views?

CLUB DISTRIBUTION NEWS

There have been many suggestions for a regular column in the Journal concerning the expected PERMANENT LIST and MINT DISTRIBUTION despatches. But firstly a word of thanks to the distributors who help to make possible the success of the service. In the age old tradition. I know that it is possible to please some of the people all the time and even all the people some of the time, but never all the people all the time. And with our two Club Services we are regularly expected to perform miracles to order. However, there is one practical way in which EVERY MEMBER CAN HELP. Simply by paying for his distribution straight away. If you really want to go one step further, then a couple of pounds in credit would be welcomed.

The arithmetic of this is, unfortunately, all too obvious. Many members subscribe to either or both services and some wait until they owe for 2 or 3 distributions before paying. So at this - or any other particular moment, the position is roughly as follows:-

- (1) the current distribution has been sent out a few weeks previously but most of the monies have not followed back via the distributors to me.
- (2) Previous distributions may be awaiting payment by 10% or 15% of recipients.
- (3) I am assembling items for the next distribution, which may cost 5/- per member or 35/- per member.
- (4) I am already noting items in the more distant future which may require payment now to ensure supplies at reasonable prices.

So all of these points can be repeated for both Permanent List and Mint Services and any cash financing is done out of my own pocket. Any other problems? Well to date there have been about TEN Bad Debts which I have been unable to collect, although with the help of HOWARD KAPLAN one or two have been cleared up. Secondly there are losses or damage in transit. Not only the incoming material, incidentally. A payment being made by me did not reach its destination and I lost my money. And then have you ever tried breaking sheets of tacky stamps into individual sets, especially late at night, when tired and with triangular stamps? Well I can tell you that if you only ruin one set in fifty, you have done well. Who pays for this? Three guesses.

So add it together, dear member. I am pleased if the services help you but do practise a little toleration on occasions you may even know

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THE PRESIDENT'S NOTEBOOK

Following the very sad news of the untimely death of JOS. SUY, which reached me too late for me to include what I would have liked to say in my last Notes (but which Howard Fears so fittingly expressed in what he wrote), I feel I must start now by saying how very sorry I have been to learn of the troubles of two others among those conscientious stalwarts of our Club without whom it could not have been built up to give the service to all of us it now does.

The first of these is CHARLES SEATON, who for so many years now has presided so genially behind the counter of our Sales Bureau. The number of members who have been cheered by the friendly notes he was wont to send to those who applied for items from the stock must run into many hundreds - but now, as you will already have learnt from the December issue of the Journal, he has decided that continued ill-health makes it necessary for him to retire as from the end of last year. So, on behalf of us all, a very big "Thank you, Charlie" - and I do hope you will remain with us as a member for very many years to come, and that your health will soon be better.

The other of our stalwart friends is HOWARD FEARS himself. I doubt if any of us realised until just recently what a difficult time he has been going through in recent months, or that he has in fact had his wife away in hospital for some eight weeks, while there was at one time grave anxiety about their baby daughter. Now I am glad to say that they are all able to be reunited and that both mother and child are "doing well" (and I sincerely hope that Father Fears is also!). Anyway, it gives me an opportunity to say once again another hearty word of thanks for all Howard has managed to do for our Club for so long, not for the first time in spite of his personal difficulties.

It seems that quite a few of us have found ourselves "under the weather" (but strictly in the non-alcoholic sense!) in the past few months, so I do trust that all to whom this applies are by now, like myself, as good as you are likely to get! By which I mean of course at least as good as ever.

I was interested to find that the two recent Haitian stamps are part of a set of six devoted to "Education" - "Scoutisme" figuring alongside "AlphabetisatiOn" and "Television". To some it may seem a somewhat surprising new angle to find Scouting regarded in this way, but for my part I am glad to see it. In devising the Scout Movement as he did B-P introduced many new principles - such as the giving of real responsibility to boy leaders - then considered revolutionary but which had great influence upon educationists in the years that followed. It was in 1931 that President Masaryk of Czechoslovakia said publicly that "Scouting is the finest educational system ever devised", and particularly in the less developed countries of the world it must certainly have a great part to play today.

In 1966 no less than four interesting British Scout postmarks appeared and as this may show the trend for the future, may I suggest that now is the time to pick up any spare mint stamps from the 1957 Sutton Coldfield Jamboree issue that may still be floating about in dealers' shops, young brothers' collections, etc., before they all disappear - and so be able to make any covers you send more attractive.

Finally, please remember that our Club does need two things amongst the others - advance news for Mr. Fears of all Scout issues and postmarks, and articles and item for this Journal. Please help!

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DID YOU KNOW.....?

- That at the 6th Swiss National Camp last summer there was on display throughout a 36-frame exhibition of Scout stamps and other material in the Camp H.Q. reception and general meeting hall (a very large marquee). A fantastic array of rare and interesting items was on view, exhibited by ROEBI MAYER, RUDI ZANONA, OTMAR PUCHNER (all of Austria), FREDERICH GRESSER (Germany) FR. LUYCKX (Belgium), WALTER GROB-SIGRIST, HANS AMSLER and FREDY SCHERB (of Switzerland). On the 30th July a collector meeting was held, during which Walter and Fredy presented each exhibitor with a Certificate of Participation - a sheet of official foolscap note-paper bearing all the Camp and Sub-Camp cachets around a "Pfadi-block". These were organised by Fredy, who had walked and cycled round the whole camp (and it was 12 miles long!). Of the 12 he started with, just 8 were presentable by the end - the right number for one each, fortunately. We are sure all the recipients thought Fredy's epic ride worthwhile. We do hope Fredy thought so too, and so on recovered!

(From A. WEEBIRD)

THE SECRETARY - GENERAL

WRITES

someone who could have sold you a certain item rather more cheaply or you may even have given up waiting and purchased elsewhere. But on balance you gain - you must gain - or else you wouldn't want to participate in these voluntary services.

Right, it's off my chest. Lecture over. If you owe money, please pay up. If your account is clear and you would like to create a credit balance, your remittance will be very welcome. If you are grateful for services rendered, write and tell your distributor so; he will be pleased. If you want to tell me, by all means do so. And if you want to have a moan, do so, but write it on the back of a pound note, and send that as your spontaneous gesture to those trying to help YOU.

Having digressed at such length (and it's a good job that the editorial boys have given me extra room) what have we got lined up for you at the present time. Some details:-

PAKISTAN: New Scout issue. My cheque was sent weeks ago so we hope to have supplies mint and also on F.D.C. About 5 special First Day cancels are anticipated, and if our plans mature we may have them all. (You don't want them all? Well sell the surplus - you are bound to make a profit at our prices).

GUATEMALA: Mint sets will now be supplied. NICARAGUA. Cached F.D.C. of the ten overprints. Expensive? Of course, but still a good investment.

QATAR OVERPRINTS: I hope to have limited supplies mint and on F.D.C. So far as I can tell the Club prices will be cheaper than the lowest quoted wholesale price anywhere else in G.B. or U.S.A. The whole thing will cost me - in advance - several hundred pounds, payable in dollars. (it's a good job my bank manager trusts me). And if anyone doesn't appreciate this effort, well, nothing ever will.

AUSTRALIA: Corroboree cancels. Thanks to ERIC SARGEANT we shall have these and also Registered items.

NEW ZEALAND. Cancel. On its way, thanks to IAN HOUSE.

KUWAIT. Well I have ordered mint stamps and F.D.C. but don't count your chickens.

AUSTRIA. Two special cancels which I hope, expect, to have. These are due for February.

So there is a fair list for a start.

AND NOW WE ARE 1000. In this issue of the Journal we are able to include details of member No. 1000 (Actually MRS. PERSSON of Sweden) Enrolled as a result of the outstanding efforts of JAN BERGQVIST who has contributed in no small measure to our continuing growth and the build-up of interest in Sweden. Of course we do not have 1000 active members at this moment. They leave because of illness or death; some give up the hobby and some are juniors who just wanted to buy up. But we still have lots and lots of active, enthusiastic members. Membership of the Club can involve an unbelievable extension of friendship. I haven't exactly checked, but I am sure that in at least 20 countries I could be sure of a real welcome, simply on account of membership of the Club, and that must be quite an achievement in itself.

THE A.G.M. I'm writing these notes late on a Sunday evening so I'm not sure whether some, or all, of this note will be included. However, extra attention regarding the date, time and place of the A.G.M. will not hurt. If in doubt, look at page 24. Or simply note MARCH 4TH, ROLAND HOUSE. Afternoon proceedings due to commence at 2 p.m. DO YOUR BEST TO be there. It's usually fun, pleasant, interesting, rewarding, and you even have a chance to mutter to Club Officials about any shortcomings.

PERSONAL. I am flattered by the many kind expressions of support and sympathy received recently. My wife, MARY, has been in hospital for many weeks, but on DECEMBER 31ST at about 5 a.m. a daughter was born. As the result of skilled nursing and loving care she is now progressing - still in the "hot-house", but both mother and baby are home and the medical prognosis is good. Thank you for your thoughts and, as I know, in some cases your prayers too.



By PETER DUCK

KUWAIT

As forecast, two stamps were issued on the 21st December for the 30th Anniversary of Scouting in the country. Values are 4 fils, dark rose, brown and pale green and 20 fils, grey-blue, black and flesh pink, both featuring the Kuwaiti Scout Badge and with the stamp framed in a length of rope with a reef (square) knot at the base. The combined face value is just about 6d., which makes a nice change from the high-priced sets which usually seem to arrive from that part of the world. Kuwait has an enviable record amongst the Arab countries in this respect. F.D.C.s received a special "First Day of Issue" cancel, but this is not a distinctively Scout one.

QATAR

It seems that the overprinted Scout issue numbered 20,000, so as the original issue was stated to have been sold out it looks as if a special printing was made. Not only that, 19,500 of them were sold to a single American dealer, who has naturally been quoting a high trade price, while the remaining 500 seem to have been snapped up out there in the Middle East. In these circumstances it seems very unlikely that any stamps at all ever reached a cover. Dealers who had sent in firm orders never received even a small quota and I hear that there may be moves afoot to have the issue declared "bad". Anyway, I am sure that Stanley Gibbons are highly unlikely ever to catalogue it and that it will further add to the distressingly large number of "Scout" issues debarred from international exhibitions.

MALAYSIA

Despite a very firm announcement that a Scout stamp would be issued in December 1966, official notification was received that no issue would in fact be made - and not even a cancel for the Jamboree.

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LIBYA

I recently purchased from Libya half-a-dozen of what purported to be F.D.C.s of the Pan-Arab Jamboree stamps. The stamps bear the date 12th August but the cancel on the covers is the 12th September! As far as I can remember I already had the mint stamps before the end of August, but possibly the date on the cancel had been inserted wrongly. Anyway, as these are the only covers I have been able to locate, I guess they will have to do.

EGYPT

Also issued in connection with the 7th Pan-Arab Jamboree, the single stamp from the U.A.R. which came out on the 10th August impresses me by the fact that there were only 600,000 of them printed. This compares with figures like two million for the Suez Canal stamp which was issued just before and seems to indicate that this stamp may well appreciate in price quite quickly. Certainly, F.D.C.s have not been at all plentiful.

FORTHCOMING STAMP ISSUES

These include a stamp from PAKISTAN due on the 28th January in connection with the 4th National Jamboree, an issue from COSTA RICA (February ?) and one from CEYLON honouring Girl Guides. So far no announcement has been made by the U.S. Post Office about an issue for the 12th World Jamboree due to be held in Idaho in August. I feel sure an issue will be made, together with post-marks from both the Jamboree and the 21st World Conference due to be held in Seattle afterwards. But how many other nations will "honour" the Jamboree?

CANCELS

AUSTRALIA

Covers from the Australian Corroboree at Woodhouse, South Australia show that, as usual, the same cancel was in use throughout the camp from the 28th December to the 7th January - except for New Year's Day when it seems not to have been used.

NEW ZEALAND

Here, too, the same cancel was in use throughout the 11th Dominion Sea Scout Regatta from the 29th December to the 6th January, in this case missing both the 1st and the 2nd January. The cancel has an error, giving the spelling as "REGETTA". So far I have only seen as

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registration labels those of the "DIRECTOR-GENERAL G.P.O. WN." and wonder if there are any others.

ICELAND

Registered covers from the National Camp held at Hredavatn from the 25th July to the 1st August bear a special registration label. This is of the Normal type, /printed in pale blue rectangular and, with "HREDAVATN" and the numerals printed in black. A set of covers from the successive days have the numbers 000030/38/42/55/57/64/71 and on the last day 000068. From the form of the numbering it sounds as if they were indeed "Prepared" for a rush to register which certainly never materialised!

GREAT BRITAIN

The supplementary handstamp "50 YEARS ON THE GREEN" which has been applied to official mail coming from Roland House Scout Centre at Stepney Green, in the East End of London, in connection with their Golden Jubilee in 1966, was last used on the 1st January 1967. It was first used on mail on the 4th March last, when a few special covers were sent, while on the 1st January just 50 were sent off by Bill Bourke. I understand we are to have an article about Roland House and its labels and covers shortly.

METER CANCEL NEWS

The following meter slogans have recently appeared: -

SWEDEN - Stockholm 24.11.66 "SCOUTING UTAN GRÄNSER" (Scouting without (first day) borders). The design incorporates a globe.

AUSTRALIA - Brisbane 14.11.66 "Meet us at the 8th Australian Jamb. JINDALEE-QLD. 1967 - 68" with camp badge.

AUSTRIA - Wien 11.11.66 "7 PFADFINDER - LOTTERIE ZIEHUNG: 23 Jänner 1967". The design includes the address of the Pfadfinder Osterreichs and shows a smiling Scout.

I have also come across an older slogan from Germany (30.10.64) - Kempen (Niederrhein) 1, showing a Scout badge with the slogan "Schulungshaus Sankt Georg Wegberg der D.P.S.G. Land Aachen".

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THE SEVENOAKS & DISTRICT WORLD FRIENDSHIP YEAR RALLY, 1966

by BILL BOURKE

The Scout World Friendship Year, which extended from October 1965 to the end of September 1966, produced as might be expected a good number of international events in Great Britain. These were organised at varying levels in many parts of the country, but principally by counties or groups of counties, and included such notable occasions as the Wiltshire International Scout Jamboree and the County Rallies in Buckinghamshire and elsewhere. Amongst all these there stands out, to my mind, an event on a much smaller scale, organised by a single Scout District with necessarily limited resources, but which in the contribution to the cause it must have succeeded in achieving locally and as an instance of what co-operation can do, is indeed a shining example.

This was the World Friendship Year Rally held on the afternoon of Saturday, 16th July by the Sevenoaks and District Boy Scouts Association, in collaboration with the Sevenoaks Rotary Club and (of special interest to us!) with the Head Postmaster of Sevenoaks presiding over a Camp Post Office at which a special camp cancel was in use. This Rally was however only a part of a larger event, an International Weekend Camp at which there were, in addition to about a hundred Sevenoaks Scouts, sixty from overseas (surely the highest proportion ever achieved at a Scout international event!) These overseas Scouts comprised a Troop from Sevenoaks' "Twin-Town" of Bonneval in Northern France, two Dutch Troops from the Hague (the "Robin Hood" Groep 96, 's Gravenhage and the "King Arthur" 7 Den Haag) some from New Zealand, some Australian Rovers and (at least originally from overseas) an American Troop from the U. S. A. F. H. Q. at Ruislip, Middlesex.

All the overseas visitors were met at Dover with the assistance of the Rotarians and were provided with free transport both to the site and on the return journey. The site selected was a gently sloping meadow some two acres in extent, well sheltered by surrounding trees and with a convenient car park across the road for Rally visitors. Known as Lady Boswell's Field, it was there that both the local Scouts and their visitors joined to erect the camp on Friday evening - unfortunately in drenching rain, which however they happily defied, and long before the first Rally visitors arrived the following afternoon had not only everything in perfect

order but had erected some quite spectacular gateways. Several of these would have been thought notable at many a much bigger camp of longer duration - a windmill put up by the Dutch lads and their hosts, its sails turning merrily, a great Eiffel Tower which the French Scouts then gallantly covered with small Union Flags, a facade of the Taj Mahal and others including a giant shamrock and a wagon wheel. In addition there were marquees for the supply of refreshments and for the Camp Post Office.

Fortunately, the Saturday afternoon was mainly sunny and the crowds of visitors came flocking in for the Opening by the District's President, the Rt. Hon. Lord Colgrain, M.C., J.P.; other distinguished visitors spoke, messages were read of greetings and good wishes (including one from the Lord Mayor of Brisbane); the Town Band played the National Anthems of all those in camp - and then everyone settled back to be reminded of an even wider international scene, with 300 Sevenoaks Wolf Cuba presenting a Pageant entitled "Round the World in 60 Minutes". Sixteen Packs dressed up to represent a total of eighteen countries with many colourful national costumes and each performing an appropriate scene - thus a fiery dragon and an oriental procession of much splendour represented Hong Kong, from Mexico came a round-up dance, and there were Red Indians, tribal Africans, Italian and Swedish traditional dances, scenes from Ireland, Greece, New Zealand, Austria and many more. Then, as they wandered round the camp, visitors could sample different national dishes cooked in the camp kitchens - or just those in the refreshment tent! And as the evening drew in a fitting close was provided by a camp fire, led by the Kent County International Representative, for Scouts and their visitors alike.

The Camp Post Office was open from 11.00 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. on the day of the Rally only and was staffed officially from the Sevenoaks Head Post Office. The only functions it was called upon to fulfil were the sale of stamps (it stocked the World Cup issue and also a specially acquired stock of the United Nations pair, by then not generally available), and the receipt and cancelling of mail posted in the box provided. All mail received the special handstamp cancellation with the World Friendship Year Badge incorporated, illustrated in the Journal last August (page 101). No registered mail was dealt with, there being no demand, though the Postmaster has stated that had there been any it would have received only the normal Head P.O. labels - none being in fact available at the camp.

The Camp Postmaster was Mr. Derek E. Middleton, present also as the Sevenoaks Head Postmaster, the event's Treasurer, a Rotarian and a Rover Leader - while the very handsome handstamp cancel was designed by a fellow Rotarian and architect, Mr. Arthur Cooksey.

On sale at the camp were printed postcards in two designs obtained from Scout Headquarters, a Wolf Cub one with Jungle animals in brown and the other with Scout signs and emblems printed in green. Two varieties of envelope were also stocked, white and blue with the Scout and Cub badges printed in green on their respective flaps, but these were not nearly so popular as the cards. As part of the fund-raising effort, a large number of each type of card was stamped with a 3d. United Nations stamp, "Camp Post Office Scouts Rally, Sevenoaks" typed on them, and they were then put through the post office as Poste Restante, cancelled and put on sale ready processed!

Although the Rally and the fact that there was to be a special postmark did receive some limited publicity in the local press and on regional radio news bulletins, little news of it reached either the country as a whole or the stamp dealers. This was in part intended, as the previous year Mr. Middleton was in charge of the Mobile Post Office at Biggin Hill when the Battle of Britain stamps came out and there was a special postmark there. 20,000 covers had to be dealt with then - and clearly the Rally P.O.'s facilities could not have been stretched to deal with orders on any massive scale. As the result, hardly any philatelic orders were received and those there were accounted for only very small quantities. Mr. Middleton has since stated that the total number of items handstamped certainly did not exceed 2,250, and may indeed have been as little as 2,000. Of these only 318 were actually sent out through the post, 181 to addresses abroad, 116 to Sevenoaks addresses and the remaining 21 to other addresses in Britain. All the rest were treated as Poste Restante and retained for sale, all being disposed of.

Apart from the cards and envelopes sold officially and stamped with stamps from the Camp Post Office, Rovers of the 1st Sevenoaks (Hicks Own) Group - Mr. Middleton's Rovers - organised their own private venture, using phosphor-lined United Nations stamps and it is believed 32 stamps of the 1957 Jubilee Jamboree issue, purchased from a dealer. They used these on: (i) a substantial number of the

printed postcards of both types, (ii) 20 Airmail envelopes, mostly of foolscap size (a few bearing the 2½d. and 4d. Scout stamps plus the U.N. set, others bearing the U.N. stamps and 2½d. Scout value only - and just one, now in the Group Scout Leader's collection, with the full 1957 and U.N. sets); there were also some of normal size (bearing various stamps, including a few with the Scout ones); (iii) something less than 40 of the Official Rally Programmes, some folded in three and tucked in, others folded in half and secured at the top with a green and gold foil Scout seal. These too bore a variety of stamps, a small number with the 1957 2½d. value included, and were despatched as "Printed Matter" addressed mainly to the Rover Leader at the Group's Headquarters.

In addition to the above, eight of the white envelopes exist with the signatures of the designer of the handstamp and the Camp Postmaster on the face. These were prepared at special request and all are addressed to me. They are variously stamped with the United Nations and World Cup stamps.

The Official Programmes are single folders measuring about ten inches by seven, printed on four different coloured papers - green, pink, yellow and buff. There was no camp badge, but green felt pennants bearing the W.F.Y. badge and suitable wording in yellow were on sale at the Rally.

The camp came to an end with a Scouts' Own, conducted on Sunday afternoon by a Scout chaplain, and soon the visiting Scouts were speeding on their various ways, some to camp elsewhere in Britain before returning home. And so, apart from the clearing up, there ended a notable effort by a Scout District and its associated helpers which had taken nearly a year of planning and preparation. The idea itself had developed from two parallel efforts: on the one hand the 16th Sevenoaks (Ide Hill) Group had made several overseas contacts had invited a Dutch Group to camp at Ide Hill and had conceived the idea of a Cub Pageant to mark their Jubilee Year - while at the same time the Rotary Club had had their imagination stirred by reading of the Chief Scout's communications with the President of Rotary International in this country, in which Rotary pledged support for World Friendship Year. There can seldom have been a happier collaboration than that which resulted in this camp and Rally, with the Pageant as its highlight, while a useful profit resulted for the W.F.Y. Fund.

AN IMPORTANT CZECH POSTCARD OF 1918

by BILL BOURKE

I think we all know, even if we do not yet possess, those two remarkably well designed and produced stamps which the Scouts of Prague themselves had printed, and which they used for the postal delivery service they organised in the city during the takeover from Austrian rule. In addition, a relatively small number of postcards were produced, bearing an impressed blue 10 haleru stamp of identical design to the adhesive one - and in fact a product of the same machine which both printed, embossed and cut out the ordinary stamps, though in the case of the postcards the cutting out process was of course omitted.

These postcards are much scarcer than examples of the Scout Post covers, particularly in used condition, and the one of which both sides are reproduced on page 17 has a very special interest and importance, being written and signed by Rössler Orovsky, who was not only the leader of the Prague Scouts (he is usually described as their Deputy Chief Scout) - but was both in actual charge of the Scout Post and probably himself the designer of the stamps.

The card is addressed to a Dr. Karel Rix, an Advocate in Prague, and a translation-of the reverse reads as follows:-

Parliament Building
20-11-18

Dear Doctor,

We now have one ≠ Scout Post office in the former building of the Ministry of the Interior and another in Parliament!

Yours,
Rössler Orovsky

(≠ since 14/11)

The stamp is cancelled with the "Posta Skautu" circular mark in dull violet, in place of the more usual use of the "NV" one, and the card also bears the "Dopis od Skauta" rubber stamp with the Scout messenger's signature, but with the space for the recipient's

blank (as is often the case). I have heard of the existence of another of these cards, similarly addressed to Dr. Rix but cancelled with the "NV" handstamp. It seems quite possible that this too may have been written by Rössler Orovsky, and it would be very interesting to be able to have a translation of its message for comparison.

The Czech Scout Post and its stamps - the first true Scout stamps - has twice been written about at some length in these pages. However, quite a lot of questions have remained uncertain or unanswered - even, for instance, when the Scouts' postal service was actually started: most accounts assume it was the 7th November, the date of the Czech National Committee's Service Order officially authorising it, but I have personally examined a cover unmistakably dated "3/XI" and perhaps the Order merely ratified what was already a service in operation, possibly ever since the date of the Coup D'Etat, which I believe was the 31st October. For some time I have been trying to obtain answers to queries like this, but without any success. Now I hear that a book is about to be published by one of our Czech friends, to be "the last word" on the subject - which I do hope it may be, and await it with some eagerness.

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SWEDISH SCOUT CANCELLATIONS AND THEIR EVENTS, 1965

by JAN HENRIK BERGQVIST

During the summer of 1965 there were eight cancellations from Scout events in Sweden. These were all from rubber stamp canceller normally only one being in use though at the larger camps there were two or more.

June 13th, 1965, FJÄRÅS, KOITJÄRVE. (SSF)

Estonian Guides and Scouts held a rally at their Koitjärve open-air centre as they celebrated twenty years of Estonian Scouting in Sweden. As well as the cancellation showing a sunrise, there was a label issued in green and white showing a Viking ship and stars. Koitjärve is situated on Lake Lygnern in the province of Halland, on the west coast. The mail was collected in a temporary posting box, 3,905 items being mailed. There was no special registration label, but one registered card is known, numbered "Fjäras 221".

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J. M. J. Karel Pix

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Praha II.

Jindřichský ul

Sušenovci
budova, 20/11/18.

milý J. = !

Styjně máme jednat
skautskou postu v byv.
budově mistodržitelské
= Ministerstva vnitra a
zrušen v sušenovně!

(od 14/11!)

Váš
Karel Pix

June 21st - 30th, 1965, BARSEBÄCK, ZODIAKEN. (KFUK-KFUM)

This was a Girl Guide camp arranged by the KFUK-KFUM Scout Association near Barsebäck Castle in the province of Skåne, at the south end of Sweden. A temporary post office was opened and took care of approximately 12,500 items. 11 registered letters were sent from the camp, two of them having numbers Barsebäck 506 and 507. There were however, no special registration labels.

July 6th - 15th, 1965, LIDEN. (IOGT)

The IOGT Scout Association held their Association Camp near Liden and the town of Sundsvall in the province of Medelpad, with both Guides and Scouts taking part. Ordinary mail was collected in mailboxes put up in the camp area. Registered letters numbered Liden 308 and 309 are known, but no special registration labels were used.

July 12th - 17th, 1965, KLINTEHAMN, GO-SÖ-LÄGRET. (SMU)

Guides and Scouts from the Gotland and Södermanland Scout Districts of SMU had a camp at Kronwalls fiskeläge (old fishing village) on the Isle of Gotland - near the famous small bird islands of Great and Little Karlsö Islands in the middle of the Baltic. Approximately 250 were in camp and a camp newspaper was issued each morning. A temporary post office received 1,500 to 2,000 items for mailing and about ten for registration. Two were numbered Klintehamn 001 and 002, but there was no special registration label.

July 28th - August 5th, 1965, TRANÅS, scoutlägret ILLERN. (KFUK-KFUM)

One posting box was put up at this camp for ordinary mail. Two registered letters are known, numbered Tranås 08553 and 08554, no special label was in use however. This camp was situated near the town of Tranås in the province of Småland and was a camp for Baptist Scouts of the KFUK-KFUM Scout Association.

JULY 30th - August 9th. 1965, STEGEBORGLÄGREN. (SSF)

This was the largest Scout camp in Sweden since the one at Ava-Tyr in 1950 outside Stockholm. Stegeborglägren was two camps, one for the Guides at Kåreholm and one on Eknön Island for the Scouts. Nearby was the ruin of a castle called Stegeborg, in use in the 16th Century. Of about 9,000 Guides and Scouts taking part, some 1,000 were from abroad - from all over the world, Libya, Tanzania, Congo/Leopoldville, Japan, U.S.A., Iceland, Canada and Great Britain, to name only some. It was the first Association Camp for the SSF since the SFS and SS Scouts and Guides formed one Association in 1960. The camp was a great success, although a heavy rainstorm badly damaged the girls' camping site. Both camps were opened on August 1st by H. R. H. Crown Prince Carl Gustav.

There was one post station called Stegeborgslägren which served both the Guides' and Scouts' camps. Six persons served this post station, which was larger than an ordinary camp post office. This arrangement meant that one could send a letter from Stockholm and just write the name of the receiver and "Stegeborgslägren".

From Eknön approximately 22,300 letters and cards were sent, 8 parcels and 170 registered items. From Kåreholm about 20,500 letters and cards were sent, 13 parcels and 12 registered items. The registration labels were printed "Norrköping 1" and a rubber stamp was used to cancel this and insert "Stegeborgslägren". The registration numbers used were:- on Eknön, first number 9501, last 9670; on Kåreholm, first number 9751, last 9762.

Stegeborg is located on the east coast of Sweden, south of Stockholm and near and south-east of Norrköping and Söderköping.

(F.D.C.s are still available from me at 1/9d., plus postage. Address: Trollvägen 6, Kallhäll, Sweden.)

August 10th - 20th, 1965, TIVED European Rover Moot. (SPR)

This Moot was a great success, although there were not as many taking part as planned. The site was made available by the State and will be open for camping, and especially Scout camps for several years ahead. A mailbox at the camp collected all the mail to receive the special cancellation, and several thousand letters and cards were sent. No special registration labels were used, but two letters with the regular Tived label were numbered Tived 726 and 727. The initials SPR stand for Sveriges Pojksoutråd = Swedish Scout Council.

August 15th - 23rd, 1965, BÄCKASKOG, DACKELÄGRET. (KFUK-KFUM)

This was a camp for the Malmö Scout District of the KFUK-KFUM Scout Association. It was intended to be larger than it was - and when only 50 Scouts had announced their arrival there were plans for stopping the camp, which was held near Bäckaskog Castle in the province of Skåne. Mail was collected by the camp staff, who handed it over to the combined post and railway station in Bäckaskog. Two letters with ordinary registration labels received numbers Bäckaskog 508 and 509.

All the above cancels were illustrated in the Journal in February 1966, at page 17.

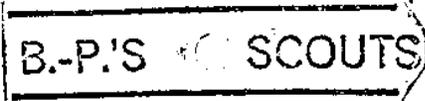
50,000 BOY SCOUTS BID
YOU WELCOME TO THE



WORLD JAMBOREE ARROWE PARK
BIRKENHEAD 31ST JULY - 15TH AUG. 1927



the official history of



the Scout Movement



D. C. Start,

Students Common Room,

~~PHILATELIC DEPT.~~



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THE ARROWE PARK JAMBOREE METER CANCEL

(or "A Junior Collector Misled"!) - by Len Bowen

This is the true story of a ruined cover which would now have been of extreme rarity, but which has nevertheless saved for posterity the record of an early publicity slogan used on the postage meter machine at what was then known as the Imperial Headquarters of the Boy Scouts Association in London.

In my young days I was a Patrol Leader in a Troop in London's East End and, taking great pride in the Wolf Patrol winning the Shield, used to take my P.L.'s duties very seriously. I also used to take regularly the weekly magazine "The Scout", published by Scout H.Q., and always enjoyed reading it - until suddenly I read an article stating that a lot of Patrol Leaders were slack in their duties and did not give their Scouts enough outdoor Scouting or pay attention to the smartness of their uniforms on Scout nights. I realised the difficulties of boys in poor areas, miles away from the open countryside, with parents unemployed because of the world trade slump, but trying to be as good Scouts as those from rural areas or places where parents had more material wealth. I wrote to the Editor pointing out the problems involved and he, being a gentleman, replied. My age at that time was 15 - and the year was 1929. And being somewhat sentimentally inclined I kept the letter and its envelope during the next few years, while I was still in the Scouts.

In 1931 and 1932 Roumania issued sets of Scout stamps, causing an article to appear in the Stamp Collecting corner of "The Scout", suggesting that Scouts interested in philately could form a small sideline collection of stamps connected with Scouting (remember, the Czechoslovak Scout Post, the Siam "Wild Tigers" and the Hungary 1925 1,000 k. had already been issued, now the Roumanian sets and with the Hungary 1933 Gödöllő set soon to come). I had been collecting foreign stamps from the age of eleven and this suggestion
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ILLUSTRATIONS

- Top - The Arrowe Park Jamboree meter cancel (see article below).
Centre - A very scarce Scottish meter slogan cancel, using apparently the same die as also used by the Scout H.Q. in London.
Bottom - The Salvation Army Scout label referred to on page 23.

struck me as a good idea. At this time also, the use of postage meter franking machines was still somewhat in its infancy and any that came the way of stamp collectors were kept as novelties. The foresight of the then editor of "The Philatelic Magazine", Mr. Albert H. Harris, made him realise that here in fact was a new specialist subject in the embryo stage, and he began to collect and write specialised articles on the various types of meter machines in use throughout the world. These articles appeared in his magazine and in one of them I read that the best way to collect meter frankings was to cut them off the envelopes to a standard size of something like 6 x 1½ inches or 6 x 2 inches, as necessary, when they could be neatly mounted on album pages by folded stamp mounts at each end.

Some time after I had mounted up my meter frankings into a small collection I came across the envelope from Scout H.Q. and thought to myself "another specimen": - so out came a pair of scissors and a ruler and I carefully cut the meter franking off the envelope and mounted it with the others. After a couple more years my Scout stamps collection had grown, with the Hungary 1933 set, the Roumania 1934 set, plus some nice covers acquired from the Godollo Jamboree and the Australian one at Frankston - now the bug really began to bite, and the meter frankings collection became a back number. In consequence the Scout H.Q. meter mark was eventually transferred to my Scout stamps collection, where it has remained to this day.

I have made persistent efforts over the years to ascertain if any other members have examples of this meter mark - but it would appear that I possess the only known specimen of its type, struck in the usual red and publicising the Arrowe Park World Jamboree of 1929. So just in case it may inadvertently be destroyed I have had some photostat copies made and have asked the Editor to reproduce it, so in the event of the original ever getting lost, stolen or destroyed, there will be plenty of photographs of it about for the record. Also, whilst members in the London area have seen this example several times when I have put on displays at S.S.C.C. meetings, there must be quite a few members who have not yet heard of its existence. You can see this illustration at the top of page 20.

The design will be recognised by old Scouts who attended the Arrowe Park Jamboree as very similar to that of the cloth Jamboree badge they were issued with, and of which I have seen examples. There is, however one subtle difference, to which I have never yet

found the answer. On the cloth badge a small Scout arrowhead in a circle is inset halfway along the shaft of the arrow, but the meter frank shows merely the circular space, the arrowhead is not there. Maybe it was not on the machine plate in the first instance maybe it was somewhat sunken and so did not print, or maybe the arrowhead was added to the design of the cloth badge as after-thought. Perhaps one day some research-minded member will come up with the answer to this puzzle!

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A SALVATION ARMY SCOUT LABEL

by REG MORRIS

Illustrated on page 20 is a label (or seal, or what you will!) which was a puzzle to me for a long time, until I recalled the article by FLOYD STENTEL-DEAN in the Journal some three years ago (Volume 81 No. 2 - page 39) in which he wrote about the Salvation Army Life-Saving Scouts of the World, founded in 1913, which seem to have operated mainly in the United States and were there merged into the Boy Scouts of America in 1941. This label, with its "SA" monograms in the corners would appear to be definitely one of their productions, the "Chum" being presumably the counterpart of the Cub Scout.

Several queries however remain. What was its date of issue? Was it intended for propaganda and publicity purposes or to raise funds (and how much were they sold for)? It is the only one I have seen, it cost too much and the only other clues are these:- (i) it measures 40 mm. by 26 mm.; (ii) it appears to be typographed on white paper, the centre design and caption are in black while the flowery border is in light green, and (iii) it is tied to the back of a registered cover from Jamaica, registered at Kingston on Sept. 12th 1940 and addressed to Aspinwall, Pennsylvania, U.S.A.; it is tied by both the New York transit postmark (Sept. 19th) and that of Pittsburgh (Sept. 20th). The flap of the envelope bears the words "Selfridge & Co., Ltd., Philatelic Dept.", but crossed out as may be seen in the illustration - so unless there is a Selfridges in Jamaica it was maybe used by some agent there of the well-known store in London's West End, whose philatelic department certainly did organise the sending of such envelopes to them as F.D.C.s in the 'thirties'. Perhaps this agent was a member - if there was a branch of these Scouts in Jamaica at that time?

Scout labels have been rather neglected by many collectors on this eastern side of the Atlantic. The reasons could be many, such as (i) difficulty in obtaining them - there are no "New Issues" dealers to my knowledge; (ii) difficulty in separating the wheat from the chaff! - they range from official National Scout Headquarters issues to pieces of paper affixed to beer bottles, bearing some sort of fleur-de-lys in the corner, and varying from truly beautiful works of aesthetic appeal to splodges of colour on any old scrap of paper; and (iii) difficulty in classification - some collectors are not terribly venturesome and without a complete list, such as is available in the case of stamps, they hesitate to start collecting in a still largely unmapped field, where the background information is very often hard to discover and no-one can say what is "complete".

The label illustrated used to fit quite snugly into all three of those problem categories, except perhaps the second. Now there are at least pointers to the full story, which I am hoping some of you will be able to help me complete - and even if you do not know the answers, your guesses may be better than mine.

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(No - somehow I don't feel that this Salvation Army label was ever meant to be affixed to a beer bottle! How curious that while the uniform of the Scout on the left looks so antique, that of the "Chum" appears so strangely modern. On closer inspection, both boys seem to have their scarves merely knotted instead of secured with a woggle or slide. In Britain this change took place in 1924 and presumably this Salvation Army Association would also have made the alteration many years ago, so the label appears clearly much older than the date it was used. So now, developing what is said in the Editorial, "Let us not only Go Forward, but Come-Forward", with information if we can.) (Bill Bourke)

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IMPORTANT!

Have you booked the date of the Annual General Meeting yet?
Saturday. 4th March - at Roland House Scout Centre, 29 Stepney Green, London E.1. AND made a note to look out those items from the 1947 and 1951 World Jamborees? IF NOT - DO IT NOW!

CHECK LIST OF 1966 SCOUT & GUIDE CANCELS & SUPPLEMENTARY
HANDSTAMPS

by PETER DUCK

(Several of the following have already been illustrated in the 1966 Journals and this is indicated where appropriate by the page number: it is intended to reproduce the remainder in a subsequent issue).

(Those marked * are cancels used on first days of stamp issues).

- ALGERIA * SCOUTISME " ALGER, 23 Oct. showing 7th Pan-Arab Jamboree badge.
- ARGENTINA Supplementary handstamp in red or black for DON BOSCO EXPLORERS, La Plata 2-5 June. Actual cancel. shows badge of Explorer Homes, handstamp shows a Scout badge and PATRIA DIOS NOGAR SIEMPRE LISTOS.
- AUSTRALIA FIRST NATIONAL SENIOR SCOUT VENTURE / PERTH, W. A. AUSTRALIA, 29 Dec. 1965 - 8 Jan. 1966 (listed last year). Illustrated page 13.
- AUSTRALIAN SCOUT CORROBOREE / WOODHOUSE S. A. AUSTRALIA 1966-67, 28 Dec-7 Jan. (except 1st Jan.)
- AUSTRIA 40 JAHRE PFADFINDER IN SIMMERING Scout Stamp Exhibition, 9 May. Cancels 1-4.
- MATTERSBURG Scout Stamp Exhibition, 4 June. Cancels 1-6.
- 40 JAHRE PFADFINDERGRUPPE / 2136 LAA AN DER THAYA, Scout Stamp Exhibition, 3 July. Cancels 1-4.
- BELGIUM 50 JAAR ZEESCOUTING / V. V. K. S. / ANTWERPEN, 7 & 8 May.
- CANADA PENTICTON B. C. Slogan B. C. CENTENNIAL BOY SCOUT ADVENTURE JAMBOREE, 9 July (? also to 16th, and a day in August).
- DAHOMY * PREMIER JOUR / SCOUTISME 17 Oct 1966 / COTONOU.
- DENMARK GENTOFTE / METROPOL JAMBORETTEN / ERMELUNDEN 1966, 28 July - 4 August.

- EGYPT (U. A. R.) * CAIRO - 7TH PAN-ARAB JAMBOREE - LIBYA, with the Jamboree badge, 10 August.
- FORMOSA Supplementary handstamp for 5th FAR EAST SCOUT CONFERENCE with World Badge, 11 October (in purple or cerise).
- FRANCE AN II 29-30 MAI 1966 CONGRES NATIONAL / ECLAIREURSES ECLAIREURS DE FRANCE / 91-MONTGERON.
- GABON * PREMIER JOUR / SCOUTISME 17 OCT 1966 / LIBREVILLE.
- GERMANY KOBLENZ, International-Catholic Scout Leaders' Conference, 28-30 May.
 KÖNIGSDORF / RINGLAGER 1966 RING DEUTSCHER PFAD-FINDERBUNDE, 30 May.
 LIPPOLDSWEILER / Schloss Ebersberg / Schulungsstätte der DPSG Land Rottenberg, 2 July and 13 Aug. seen.
 BUCKENHOFEN / BUNDESLAGER DES BDP 1966, 29 July - 8 August
 FÜRSTENBERG / JAMBORETTE (German-French), 15 Aug.
 FISCHBACH / WASGAU '66 (German-French), 31 August. Illustrated, page 116.
 MESCHEDE / 2. Pfadfinder-Werbeschau (Scout Stamp Exhibition), 9 October.
- GREAT BRITAIN BLAIR ATHOLL / SCOTTISH INTERNATIONAL SCOUT CAMP, 20-29 July, except 24th.
 W F Y DISTRICT RALLY / 16 JULY 1966 / SEVENOAKS. KENT.
 WILTSHIRE INTERNATIONAL SCOUT JAMBOREE / OGBOURNE ST. GEORGE - MARLBOROUGH -, 29 July - 7 August.
 POLONIAE MILLENNIUM JAMBOREE - LILFORD PARK -, 6-15 August.

(Note: In several cases the dates shown are not complete)

(All four cancels bear badges or emblems and are shown on page 101)

- GREAT BRITAIN
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- Supplementary handstamp 50 YEARS ON THE GREEN applied to official mail from Roland House Scout Centre, Stepney Green, London, E.1. to mark Jubilee Year. Applied 4 March - 1 Jan. 1967 (some mail posted after that date).
- HAITI
- 50eme ANNIVERSAIRE DE L'INTRODUCTION DE MOUVEMENT SCOUT EN HAITI, 12 August. Cancel in blue or black.
- ICELAND
- LANDSMOT SKATA 1966 / HREDAVATN / 25 JULI - 1 AGUST 1966. Illustrated, page 101.
- LIBYA
- * (Position Uncertain)
- JAPAN
- 4th Nippon Jamboree, showing Scout (Head and shoulder saluting) 5-9 July, cancels from 8 cities in red or brown, similar with different characters at base: OKAYAMA, NAYOSHI, HIROTO, KATSUO, NARA, NIMASAKA, OKUTSU, TSUYAMA. At least four large supplementary handstamps exist, probably applied commercially.
- 19TH WORLD CONFERENCE OF GIRL GUIDES AND GIRL SCOUTS, 28 September - 8 October.
- NEW ZEALAND
(Both illd., *
page 46)
- PROGRESS JAMBOREE TRENTHAM/ - N.Z. - plain c.d.s. 4-14 January, (all dates), plus, 5 January, special cancel for first day of Scout stamp and camp's Openings showing Camp Emblem.
- DOMINION SEA SCOUT REGETTA - LAKE WAIHOLA - 29 December - 6 Jan. 1967 (? except 1 & 2 Jan)
- NORWAY
- KRETSLEIREN / ØYSTESE, 26 June - 3 July.
K. F. U. K. / LANDSLEIREN / TROMØY, 5-12 July.
- PHILIPPINES
- *UNANG ARAW NG LABAS (with Girl Scout Badge), 26 May.
- PORTUGAL
- PRIMEIRO ENCONTRO NACIONAL DE DIRIGENTES, C.N.E. / 1966 FATIMA, (1st Natl. Leaders Gathering), 14 Aug.
- X - ACAMPAMENTO NACIONAL / ESCOTEIROS DE PORTUGAL / Sto. Antonio Caparica (10th Natl. Camp), 3 (?-11) September.

SWEDEN

RYDSNÄS / SMU - SCOUTLÄGRET, 13-18 June.

FJÄRÅS / KOITJÄRVE (Estonian Scouts), 18 June.

BJURÅKER / STRÖMBACKA (50 years/Salvation Army Scouts), 19-27 July.

SÄVSJÖSTRÖM / INDIANLÄGRET, 8-13 August (S.M.U.).

SWITZERLAND

7402 BONADUZ / 6. PFADFINDER - BUNDESLAGER DOMLESCHG / 27.7.-3.8.66 (and camp Ibex emblem), circular camp cancel with fixed dates, in use throughout.

7000 CHUR 1 / * * * c.d.s. with rectangular transposed box slogan cancel, including camp emblem and title, in use 1 June - 3 August. Variety: Break in frame-line, known on 1 June only.

UPPER VOLTA

*PREMIER JOUR / SCOUTISME 15 JUIN 1966 / OUAGADOUGOU.

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AND DID YOU KNOW.....?

by A. WEEBIRD

- That Mr. KEN BERRY, the Chief Guide of our friends who flourish down in Wormwood Street, has recently spent several weeks in Guyana (the former Colony of British Guiana) in connection with the wedding of his younger son. It is said that practically everyone who is anyone, from the Governor-General down, joined in the wild festivities - and that a Scout stamp issue from there is to be expected in the fairly near future. Rumour has it that the mystic letters "H" and "W" are to be incorporated into the design, but another report, that a proposal to include the letters "N B G" (standing of course for Not British Guiana), was dropped after many protests, can be discounted.

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By the Editor

It is quite a time since I last discussed various terms used in stamp collecting and because there are still some I have not mentioned, I thought I would refer to a few more this month.

You have probably come across the words "Bogus", "Fake" and "Forgery" when you have been reading stamp magazines. Maybe you have wondered whether they have the same meaning. Let us see if they have, shall we?

Bogus stamp. - This is one whose design, overprint or cancellation is fictitious or imaginary.

Fake stamp. - This is usually a genuine stamp which has been deliberately altered in order to defraud the postal authorities and/or the public, for example, by adding an unauthorised overprint or an imitation of a cancellation, usually very rare, or by "doctoring" a genuine stamp, normally of low face value by chemically erasing part of the design to enable it to be made into a rare specimen. There are many ways in which fake stamps are produced.

Forged stamp. - A fraudulent imitation of a stamp or an overprint or of a cancellation on a stamp often on a cover or piece. Many forgeries which exist are crude but there are some which are exceedingly clever imitations that have deceived even the most eminent philatelist. Strange as it may seem, many forged stamps are expensive to buy especially when they have been accepted by the postal authorities of a country, unknowingly maybe, and have passed through the post.

So you see, there is a difference between the meaning of these three types of stamp: all have their place in stamp collecting.

In a future Journal, I hope to discuss some more of these terms. Good stamp collecting in the meanwhile.

FIFTH S. S. C. C. CLUB AUCTION

Closing date for bids will be Saturday March 18th, 1966. Lots will be sold to the highest bidder, subject to the vendor's reserve price, the Club receiving a 10% commission of the price realised.

Lots will be sold at one bid higher than the nearest underbidder and not at the bidder's maximum, unless the bids received require this to be so. In the event of two equal bids being made, and these are the highest bids, the lot will be sold to the member whose bid has reached the auctioneer first.

Multiple Bidding. By this system, members are invited to bid on as many lots as they wish, in order of preference, and also state the maximum that they are prepared to spend. At the conclusion of the auction these members' successful and unsuccessful bids are entered and once the limit of their expenditure is reached, all subsequent bids from their lists are cancelled. Several members who only wish to spend a modest amount at a time employ this method of bidding, and it is not uncommon for £50-worth of bids to be made, subject to a maximum of £5 or £10 maximum to be spent.

Bids may be made in any currency, but will be converted to sterling at ruling exchange rates. All bids are accepted subject to members' satisfaction on receipt.

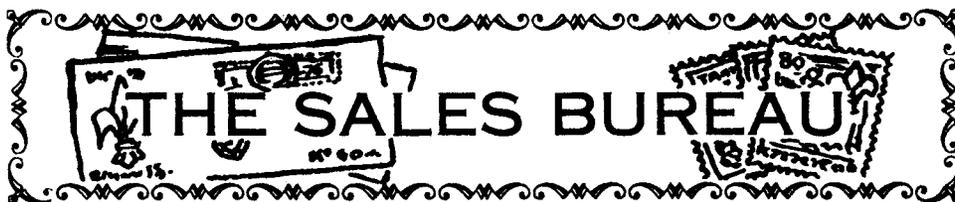
Members are invited to send in material for future auctions and state the reserve prices that they require. There is a real demand for uncommon and scarce items and the Club Auction a world-wide market for your duplicate material.

Bids for this auction and items for future auctions to be sent to the Assistant Editor, JOHN ROAKE, 4 Caenwood Close, The Heath, Weybridge, U. K.

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<u>LOT</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>ESTIMATE</u>
1	1936 Mount Edgcombe Camp cancel on complete cover dated 11 AU 36. Neatly tied to cover which has two small tears at the top. A very clear strike except for the word 'Camp' - which is rather light.	£15
2	MAFEKING. 1d. Goodyear. Plate III position 36 used May 5th. Fine except for J inch surface crack and crease across right lower corner. However, a good plating copy.	£12
3	MAFEKING 1d. Goodyear. PHOTO-FORGERY on laid paper with fake postmark; off-centre to right. Small holed perfs.	£7.10
4	DUBAI. The 3 airletters with red, orange and brown stamps	11/-

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(For the present, members should apply to JOHN D. ROAKE, enclosing payment and postage. All items offered subject to being unsold)

MINT STAMPS

Afghan. sheets	1964 (2).....	30/-	Egypt	1956 (3).....	6/-
Brazil	1957 (1).....	1/-	Finland	1957 (1).....	1/6
Canada	1955 (1).....	1/-	France	1947 (1).....	1/6
Canal Zone	1960 (1).....	1/9	Indonesia	1955 (5).....	3/-
Canal Zone	1962 (1).....	1/-	S. Korea	1962 (2&2 S.)	4/6
Colombia	1962 (1).....	5/6	Lebanon	1962 (8).....	6/-
Cuba	1957 (2).....	4/-	Liberia	1965 (3).....	6/-
Czechoslovakia	1918 (2).....	60/-	Libya	1962 (3 & Sht)	12/6
Denmark	1960 (1).....	1/-	Libya	1962 (3 imp.)	4/6
Netherlands	1937 (3).....	11/6	Neth. Indies	1937 (2).....	14/-
Nigeria	1963 (3 & sht.)	6/6	Nigeria	1965 (sheet)..	6/6
Philippines	1948 (2 perf)	5/6	Philippines	1948 (2 imp.)	5/6
Philippines	1954 (2).....	6/6	Philippines	1961 (4).....	5/-
Suriname	1964 (4).....	4/-	Tunisia	1960 (5).....	9/6
Haiti	1961 (3) fine used.....	10/-	N. Indies	1937 (2) fine used	10/-

First Day Covers, Cancellations etc.

Australia	1960	Girl Guide Jubilee FDC.....	2/6
Brazil	1965	Jamboree FDC "St. Paulo" cancel.....	3/-
"	"	" " Jamboree cancel.....	5/-
Cyprus	1963	Jubilee set FDC with Scout cancel.....	6/-
Finland	1957	B-P Centenary FDC.....	7/6
"	1965	"HAKKIS" Scout	1/9
India	1964	"ALLAHABAD" Jamboree cancel.....	1/6
New Zealand	1944	Princess in uniform pair on FDC.....	3/6
"	"	1953 Health pair on FDC.....	5/-
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5	S. KOREA 1957 12 copies of the 40 won val. on commercial FDC pmked KWANG HWA MUN. 27 Feb 1957. One stamp has an apparent plate variety of three white lines to left of Scout's chin. 4 other stamps damaged	30/-
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12	GREECE 1963 Off. FDC with roller cancel on reverse	15/-
13	JAPAN 1962 Asian Jamboree stamp on FDC	3/-
14	NEW ZEALAND 1944 and 1953 FDCs - slightly soiled.	4/6
15	PORTUGAL 1962 Scout Stamp Exhibition pmk. on cover	4/-
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28	Similar lot.	32/-
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