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#### EDITORIAL

# From the Acting Editor, Howard L. Fears

I am not sure whether this is the first time that a complete issue of The Journal has been edited at a Scouting event; in any event it must be on the way to being unique.

The event is the National Patrol Leaders' Camp being held on Brownsea Island, in Dorset, from 29th July to 5th August. If you didn't know, I can confirm that there is a special cancel, and later in this issue I will try and compile a factual account of the postal arrangements.

The last issue of The Journal contained one or two suggestions of things to come. In particular the idea of "Letters to the Editor" was pushed, and the response was most gratifying, Some of these are included with this issue.

Other suggestions which have been made are for regular listings of Scout stamps and cancels - before, during or shortly after the issue date/event, I am hopeful that this will be a regular feature. Again, it has been proposed that a supplement to the listing by A. H. NICHOLSON should take the form of a price list, and this will have to be considered in detail.

Finally, the response to the new Permanent List and Mint Distributions have been good and many members have sent their increased deposits. 1967 promises to have many new issues and cancels. Payment for material received is, therefore, earnestly requested without delay.

# 1st Malaysian Scout Jamboree: 4th - 10th December, 1966

# by Leong Chee Keng

It is announced with regret that the Malaysian Government have abandoned the idea of issuing a stamp for the 1st Malaysian Jamboree as reported in the November 1965 Journal. This is because the Malaysian Government limits the number of commemorative issues per year to five and no more. Since 5 15 ¢ commemorative stamps for the 1st Malaysian Development Plan were issued on 1st December, 1966, the Scout stamp was shelved.

It is not expected that any Scout stamp will ever be issued by Malaysia. Although the Prime Minister of Malaysia, Tengku Abdul Rahman is an ex-Scout and quoted a number of praise to the Scout Movement and visited the camp itself, the government do not consider it important enough for any such stamp to be issued.

The Prime Minister in his message to the first Malaysian Scout Jamboree opening at Telok Bahang in Penang on Monday reads as follows: "The Scout movement is an incalculable asset to the country and the people. It knows no barrier of race, religion or colour. In our country Scouting has constantly brought into close fellowship boys from all sections of our people. Such personal contact has naturally kept racial and religious prejudices to a minimum. It has also nurtured a growing sense of brotherliness among Scouts."

Among other things which the Prime Minister quoted when he visited the camp was, "If everyone can be a Scout and sticks to his promise, I don't think this evil force - the Communists - will have any effect on the people's minds and thinking."

Special Jamboree Official covers were printed and offered for sale at 10¢ each. Although no special postmark was used, a special rubber stamp was used with the words "TELAH POST DITAPAK JAMBORI" - in Malay - meaning Posted from the Jamboree

Village. I guess it is the first time that any Scout Jamborees have any such inscription on covers. Also, a special slogan cancellation was used for all big towns in Malaysia from Mid-November to the end of the Jamboree with the following words:-

JAMBORI MALAYSIA PERTAMA ) Translated from Malay 4.12.66 - 10.12.66 ) meaning:"Bersatu Jaya" ) 1st Malaysian Jamboree 4.12.66 - 10.12.66 "United we succeed".

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# BADEN-POWELL EXHIBITION AT GREYSTONE HEATH SCHOOL By Michael Loomes

It all started as a small money-making effort intended for thirty invited guests, but as the plans were made so they expanded. Eventually, it became an event on the Warrington and District Calendar with over thirteen hundred Guides, Scouts and members of the public attending from up to fifty miles around.

Preparations went on within the Group for four months and the event received reasonable press coverage and some radio space. We received wonderful help from John Roake, Roy Rhodes and Charles Seaton of the Club. One of the problems was security, as the value of the exhibition was many thousands of pounds. We arranged insurance cover, a gift from the Headmaster, Mr. D. J. Thomson, but even so, many of the relics were irreplaceable and therefore priceless. The exterior of the building was patrolled by unleashed, hired Guard Dogs, with a man and another dog locked inside. In addition, our Group's forty Scouts and all Scouters were on duty while the Exhibition was open.

Exhibits poured in; offers having been received from Lady B-P, Baden-Powell House, Guide and Scout Headquarters, Gilwell Park, Giles, the Army - especially B-P's old regiment who also sent an Officer and a Soldier to be resident at the School for the two days of the Exhibition. A Boer War veteran was also present to answer questions. Our transport alone logged over two thousand miles collecting and returning exhibits.

For us the greatest experience which made it all worthwhile, came when we went to collect John Roake's superb exhibits. He had a tremendous surprise for us. We had been invited to have tea with Lady Baden-Powell.

The Exhibition was opened by the County Commissioner, Alfred Russell and then slides on B-P's life were shown with a recorded commentary. There were twenty-one stands ranging from the 13th/18th Royal Hussars up to the Advance Party Report. One classroom was given over to F.D.C.s and mint issues of Guide and Scout Stamps with two displays of cancellations in the Main Hall. There was a separate Camping Exhibition and a Radio operating along-side a display of Q.S.L. cards.

No loss or damage was sustained in any form and we are proud of the work of our Scouts, for you see, Greystone Heath is Liverpool's Approved School.

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#### DIAMOND JUBILEE NATIONAL PATROL LEADERS' CAMP

# By Howard L. Fears

# Special report written in camp.

Only half an hour by open boat (very open when it rains) from Poole Quay to historic Brownsea island, now owned and administered by the National Trust. Brownsea island: to the historian of Scouting a name and a place which must figure large in the beginnings of the movement.

In 1907, B-P organised his first experimental camp on the island. Twenty boys from all walks of life were brought together, and based on the experiences at this camp much of the early development of Scouting as an organisation can lay claim. The first boys reached the island on 29th July, and the camp was declared open on 1st August. The camp in 1967 had many similarities.

Perhaps a day-by-day diary will help to illustrate the postal arrangements. Firstly, however, you must imagine the scene:

Brownsea Island, the largest of five islands within Poole Harbour, is about 1½ miles long and ¾ mile wide. When visiting the island, one lands at the quay, near the castle cottages, and not far from the church

The island is administered by the National Trust who have organised an arcade complete with shop and, upstairs, a restaurant, by the quay. There is also a telephone and close to this, was placed the special posting box, which read:-

SPECIAL POSTING BOX
ITEMS POSTED IN THIS BOX
FROM
29th JULY
TO
5th AUGUST
INCLUSIVE
WILL RECEIVE A SPECIAL
BROWNSEA ISLAND POSTMARK

COLLECTIONS WILL BE MADE AT 8.30 A.M. and 3.30 P.M. 29th JULY AND AT

8.30 A.M. ONLY COMMENCING 31st JULY

Of course, in fine weather, an island may be a very lovely place, but in the rain, this is not so. Indeed, a misty wet day can be quite miserable. The "stall" at which the special covers were sold was inside the arcade, so at least it was dry, even if draughtly and dampish.

<u>Day 1: Saturday, 29th July.</u> A miserable day for weather and postings must have been reduced. The boatmen reported that instead of an estimated two thousand visitors, they carried one hundred and fifty. The camp itself (The National Patrol Leaders' Camp) was made up of over two hundred Patrol Leaders representing fifty-six English countries, seven Scottish, seven Welsh and three of the countries of

Northern Ireland together with administrative staff and working party, plus patrol leaders from ten other countries.

At 3.30 p.m., the Opening Ceremony was performed by the Chief Scout, Sir Charles Maclean. Most of the boys had arrived the previous day and the special posting box was in position. On the opening day, clearances were made at 8.30 a.m. and 3.30 p.m., but from then on only at 8.30 a.m. However, the effect of this was to make most dates a day late. The first boat from Poole Quay left at 10 a.m., arriving at 10.30 a.m., but since the box had already been cleared on all days except the first, it meant that all mail posted by visitors would be in the box for the following day's post.

Day 1 was hectic with boys, and Scouters, in a hive of activity. But the bad weather, greatly reduced the number of visitors and, hence, the sales of the souvenir covers.

Day 2: Sunday, 30th July. There was no postal clearance although arrangements were in hand to empty the box if it should overflow, Perhaps it might have overflowed if the weather had been good, but it wasn't. Again, the boatmen were rueful; they estimated that trade was 90% down. In fact, the weather was even worse than on the opening day and I was allowed to move the display into a more draught-free spot in the arcade.

A word about the display. Since this would be very much subject to the public, any attempt at mounting Scout stamps themselves would have been fraught with hazards. The photos of stamps, mounted on card, as originally used for the Club Catalogue, were loaned by NORMAN ROWE and proved to be exactly what was needed.

- <u>Day 3: Monday, 31st July.</u> Weather mixed and "trade" of the Scout-approved covers a little better. However, it was not generally realised that in order to have the cancel for 1st August the other big day items had to be posted on Monday.
- <u>Day 4: Tuesday, 1st August</u>. Sixty years ago, to the day, B-P opened his first experimental camp. This year, his daughter, the Hon. Mrs. Betty Clay, came to unveil a memorial commemor-

ating the first camp. Music at the unveiling was provided by the band of the 13/18th Royal Hussars, B-P's Regiment.

The weather in the morning was appalling. I was waiting at Poole Quay at 10 a.m. and saw the dignitaries embark for Brownsea. I had to make the journey by the usual open boat, with umbrella up. Nevertheless, I was soaked. It was not an inspiring beginning, but gradually the weather improved and by the time for the actual unveiling at 3 p.m., the rain had stopped. Sales of the official covers were, in consequence, somewhat heavier than might have been anticipated in view of the number of visitors during the afternoon.

For the remainder of the camp, the postal box continued in use with varying degrees of use. I am not sure whether the postal authorities really got the response they expected. They reported that amongst items posted were a telephone directory, toffee papers and even pieces of pork pie.

A few historic details. Of the original twenty boys who made up B-P's first experimental camp, seven are still living and four of these were on the island when the camp was declared open. The following is the text of telegram:-

FROM QUEEN ELIZABETH II TO THE CHIEF SCOUT SIR CHARLES MACLEAN, Bt., K.B.E. ON THE OCCASION OF THE OPENING BY HIM OF THE DIAMOND JUBILEE NATIONAL PATROL LEADERS' CAMP ON BROWNSEA ISLAND, SATURDAY, 29TH JULY, 1967.

I take great pleasure in congratulating The Scout Association on its Diamond Jubilee. Sixty years ago Baden-Powell held a small experimental camp for a score of boys oft Brownsea Island, The result of that camp and of the famous book which followed it was a movement so original and appealing to boyhood that in a few years it had spread around the world. It is most appropriate that this year over 200 Patrol Leaders should be camping on that same site on Brownsea Island and on the very days that the original camp was held.

I am delighted to know that the Boy Scouts of America, as hosts of the XII World Jamboree in Idaho, are recreating, as far as is possible, the little island camp of long ago. I send them and to all the

Scouts gathered in Idaho my warm greetings and best wishes. I am very pleased that over 1300 British Scouts are representing the homeland of Scouting on this momentous occasion.

Scouting has more to offer than ever before to the young men and boys of today and I believe that you will be able to meet successfully every challenge of this changing world. I hope that your Diamond Jubilee year may inspire you and all those you lead to even greater achievements.

ELIZABETH R

The following is the text of the reply:-

FROM THE CHIEF SCOUT TO HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN SENT FROM BROWNSEA ISLAND ON 29TH JULY, 1967.

May it please Your Majesty. I and all members of the Scout Association are most grateful for the kind message of congratulations which Your Majesty has sent me on the occasion of our Diamond Jubilee. Today from Brownsea Island I send Your Majesty our Promised Loyalty and the assurance of more than half-a-million British Scouts that we look forward into the future with courage and determination to meet whatever challenge may lie ahead.

CHARLES MACLEAN CHIEF SCOUT.

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# NEWS FROM SWITZERLAND

By Fredy Scherb

Did you know that ...

... Tamotsu Murayama recently visited Switzerland on a Goodwill Tour for the World Jamboree in 1971 which the Japan Scouts and the Japan Government would like to organise in their country. Tamotsu dropped in for a few hours in Walter Grob's home and Walter showed him part of his collection. A few weeks later Walter was

offered, together with the Swiss Chief Scout, a Dinner by the Japanese Ambassador. Propaganda for the 13th World Jamboree
we shall organise an International Scout Stamps Exhibition in Switzerland in 1969 and that we hope to get collections not only from Europe but also from other continents.
the Swiss Girl Scouts will celebrate their 50th anniversary in 1969 and that a special postmark be made is very probable. Festivities might include an International Girl Scout Jamboree, so keep your mint Swiss Scout Stamps as I rather doubt whether we will get a Girl Scout stamp.
I photocopied my sixty page collection "Scout Documents between the two Wars" which was exhibited in Vienna, got it bound and sent it to the U. S. A. to give some of my collector-friends an idea how we mount collections in Europe. I would be happy to see similar "books":
I was recently able to acquire a copy of the very rare East London Scout postmark (South Africa 1936), together-with the Natal (rare;) and the Transvaal Jamborally Scout postmarks (both from 1948), the East London cancel completes the South African Scout postal history in my collection after the Mafeking Siege Post.
we worry a little about the mass of early Czech. Scout philatelic material which is offered on the market and wonder from where all the proofs, covers (especially with mixed postage) and telegrams are coming. We rather doubt whether all 1918 cancellers are genuine, not to mention all the faked Czech. Scout cancellers from the years 1931 until about 1945:
a lot of Mafeking material is offered at the English auctions and it seems as if there would be more Baden-Powell cracked plates around than "normal" large size stamps S.G. 21/22
$\dots$ we might form a Swiss Scout Stamps Collectors Club in the near future which in addition would be the topical section "Pfadfinder" of the F.I.P.
an interesting handstamp has turned up in a sending I received from

Hungary. Some of you will know the handstamp usually applied on the presentation card issued during the Gödöllő World Jamboree to commemorate the 1st Scout Airmail. The above mentioned newly discovered handstamp is very similar to this one from 1933. It is about the same oval size, is the same colour and Scout badge, but has a different text, "\*MAGYAR CSERKÉSZ SZÖVETSÉG\* Cserkészrepülők Hármashatarhegy". It is on a special card with a picture of an early airplane, the caption "Első szárnypróbak/ Cserkészrepülők - Hármashatarhegy/VII- Repülötabor Esztergom". It was sent on 1st September. 1937 from Kenyermezön- j.o.r.

... there was another Scout Stamps Exhibition in Waidhofen on Ybbs (Austria) from 24th until 25th June, 1967. Their Scout Group celebrated its 40th Anniversary Festivities included this exhibition and a special Scout postmark.

#### METER SLOGANS

#### By Peter Duck

From Germany, I have recently received three new Scout meter slogans

HALTERN - 23.4. 67	Deutsche Pfadfinderschaft Sankt Georg
	Land Munster
	4358 Haltern - Postfach 72
	(depicting a fleur-de-lys)

HALTERS - 23.4, 67	Gilwell Sankt Ludger e.v Jugendbildings-
	statte -
	4358 Haltern - Postfach 72, (depicting a
	squirrel)

DORTMUND - 19.4. 67 Christliche Pfadfinderschaft, Landesmark Westfalen 46 Dortmund, Treibstrasse 33, Ruf 81003,

# RECENT ISSUES

Three stamps were issued in the Republic of Niger on 25th May in commemoration of the 12th World Jamboree in Idaho. Each stamp includes the Jamboree badge also the .name Guillame, whom I presume is the designer.

- 30Fr. Olive green, turquoise and maroon. Scouts seated around a campfire. A flagpole is seen at the left, with tents and trees in the background, Vertical.
- 45Fr. Brown, orange and blue. Scouts hiking, one carrying a flaming torch. Horizontal.
- 80Fr. Olive brown, grey and maroon. Scout cooking over a campfire A flagpole at the right, with tents and trees in the background Vertical.

First day covers are cancelled PREMIER JOUR NIAMEY. JAMBOREE MONDIAL 1967 25 MAI 1967. The covers come in sets of three, each of similar design to the stamp affixed. These are, official FDCs issued by the Post Office and have a limited issue of 3500, and each cover is numbered.

The All Australian Guide Camp produced a very attractive cancellation which was in use from 13th-20th May. The cancellation depicts a Girl Guide trefoil with the date in the centre and around the 32mm circle the words "All Australia Guide Friendship Camp, Redland Bay Old. Aust." Two cancellers were used, one with a fixed date for the first day, the other with a moveable date slug for the remainder of the camp. These may be distinguished by the figures of the date and particularly the word 'May' which has wide, evenly-spaced letters on the first day, and narrower taller letters on subsequent days Registered covers bear a label from Redland Bay, Queensland, which are the ones in regular use there. The official souvenir cover contains a stiffener written by Club member Mary Lambe and reading as follows - The All Australian Guide Camp is being held at the Queensland State Campsite - Kindilan - which is at Redland Bay, thirty miles south of Brisbane. Camp Kumanka, meaning camp of friends, will bring Guides from all parts of Australia together to share the Fun, Friendship and Adventure of Guiding; some of the campers will travel nearly two thousand miles to reach the camp, This All Australian Guide Friendship camp is the first Guide event in Australia to have a special postmark. The official souvenir cover is sponsored by the Scout and Guide Stamps Society of Australia, it was designed by Mrs. A. Harris of Victoria and shows part of the camp badge with the symbols of the

Pioneers, Explorers and Navigators which represent the theme of the camp.

Another interesting cover was recently sent to me by Rudy Diesvelt of Vancouver, The cover was posted at EXPO and has on it the rubber-stamp mark of the Scout Pavilion. This handstamp which is printed in red shows a symbolic tent with Scout badge and EXPO 67 underneath. Each pavilion at EXPO has its own handstamp which is usually stamped into visitors' "EXPO Passports". Rudy, who being an Air Canada steward is a frequent visitor to England, said he was impressed with the Scout Pavilion.

#### **LABELS**

I have in my collection two labels which present me with a mystery, and I wondered if perhaps any member has any information about them, or in fact has any similar ones. The two labels come from Singapore and as far as I remember, they were one of my earliest acquisitions when I started my collection in 1959.

Each label reads "Singapore" at the top and "Camp Fund" at the bottom. One has a green background with a Scout badge in gold and a tent in white. The other is of the same design at the New Zealand Health stamp of 1953 showing a Scout cooking over a fire and is in blue, green, brown and yellow.

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# SCOUT CANCELLATIONS FROM ARGENTINA By P. Duck

The 17th January, 1961, saw the issue of the 1 peso stamp for the International Patrol Camp in the Palermo Forest in Buenos Aires. The stamp is well-known, and shows the Argentine Scout badge, in red, white and black. Three special first day cancels were in use as follows:

(a) Scout Badge with 'Officina Postal Movil No. 1' in a scroll underneath and 17 Enero 1961 Bs. Aires - Argentina at the bottom.

- (b) Globe with a Scout salute on the left side and wording Buenos Aires, Argentina 17 Enero 1961 dia de emision.
   (The cover which I have with this cancel also bears a rubber-stamp mark of similar design.)
- (c) Circular cancel with bugle, Scout badge and cap at the top. The wording reads around the circle 'Officina Postal Movil No. 1, Buenos Aires' with 17 Ene 1961, Argentina in the centre. This was the actual camp cancel and was in use from 12-21 January inclusive, but apparently it was not meant to have been used on 17th January. Also one cover has both cancels (a) and (c) on it. There are also first day cancels showing a post horn from Cordoba, Rosario and Bahia Blanca, as well as a slogan first day cancel from Buenos Aires. Cancellations (a) (b) and (c) were produced in rubber.

The Campamento de Patrullas 32° Semana del Scout Argentino, 50° Aniv. 1912 - 1962 produced an attractive cacheted cover. The wording above being hand-written with a picture of B-P, affixed to the envelope. Alongside the picture of B-P is the Argentine Scout badge which has been carefully cut out from a 1 peso Scout Stamp; what a job for somebody! The cover also bears the complete Scout stamp cancelled Servicio Aeropostal 39 B.A. Argentina 17 Nov. 1962.

'Scoutismo y Filatelia, Buenos Aires' was a Scout Philatelic Exhibition held in the Centro Hungaro de Buenos Aires on 19-20-21 July, 1963. A special cancel was used on each day and depicted St. George and the Dragon and the Scout badge of Hungary. A Special rubber stamp cachet was also used showing the sun rising (or setting) over a Scout camp and a gateway with Gödöllő-Marathon 1933 - 1963 at the top. The cachet appeared in red on 19th July, green on 20th July and multicoloured on 21st July.

Two cachets were used, one showing the Argentine Scout badge and St. George and the Dragon of similar design to the cancel. The other shows a Scout in full uniform plus hat looking at his stamp collection. In a border around him are Scout stamps from Austria, Liberia, Argentina and Hungary. The cancel also appears on a souvenir sheet from the Comunidad de los Scouts Veteranos Hungaros 'Pablo Teleki'

Seccion Filatelica. Incidentally Count Paul Teleki was Chief Scout of Hungary at the time of the Gödöllő Jamboree in 1933.

From 2nd to 5th June, 1966, a special cancel was used for the Philatelic Exhibition OBRA SALESIANA Y EXPLORADORES DON BOSCO, 50° ANIVERSARIO BATALLON 10, La PLATA. It appears that Sr. Don Bosco was a benefactor of homeless children in Argentina rather like Dr. Barnardo in England, who organised homes for under-privileged boys, and the stamp exhibition was for the 50th Anniversary of the 10th La Plata Batallion. The cancel shows the badge of the Don Basco Homes with dates from 2nd to 5th June, 1966, also on each cover is a charity label for the Colegio del Sagrado Corazon, La Plata, and this is cancelled with a Scout badge rubber-stamp either in red or black. In the Scout fleur-de-lys are the words DIOS PATRIA HOGAR and SIEMPRE LISTO plus a camp-fire and a radio mast.

On 22nd October, 1966 a stamp was issued in honour of Francisco P. Moreno, first day cancel Rosario (S-F.), Dr, Moreno was at one time President of the Argentine Boy Scouts and the cover also bears the 1961 Scout stamp. It appears from the cachet that he had some connection with Antarctic explorations, and possibly therefore was a compatriot of Jean Charcot, President of the Eclaireurs de France.

From 4th to 13th February, 1967, a Jamboree was held at Miramar in celebration of the Polish Millennium. Covers from this camp bear a supplementary cancel showing what appears to be a goose in flight with the dates 4th to 13th February, 1967. Around the circular edge of the cancellation are the words "Milenio de Polonia \* Jamboree - Miramar - Argentina \*" The stamp is cancelled Miramar-Ba-Argentina 13th February, 1967.

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# **NEW CANCELLATIONS**

By D. E. Bourke

BELGIUM. The expected cancellation on the 16th April was

from the "V NATIONAAL SCOUTS JUDO KAMPIOENSCHAP" held at Antwerp, the frameless circular 36 mm, handstamp bearing this wording and the place-name round a design of two protagonists in the course of a "throw", with the relevant Japanese characters and the V.V.K.S. Scout badge. Registered mail as usual bore blank labels (starting with the number 200) over which the cancellation was impressed. The event took place in the Olympia Sports Complex from 3 p.m. until the evening, the special post office being open from 2.0 p.m. to 5.0 p.m. Special buff postcards were printed in black with a design including the central feature of the handstamp.

LUXEMBOURG. Taking most people by surprise a special cancellation appeared on the 1st May. Like the Belgian one a frameless circular handstamp (35 mm.), this features the badge of the Scouts de Luxembourg (the Catholic Association of the two within the Scout Federation), while around the edge runs the wording "SCOUTISME ET JEUNESSE \* ACTIVITES DYNAMIQUES" with "LUXEMBOURG" at the base. The occasion was an event known as "OURAGAN 67", a combination of displays and sporting competitions held at the Nouvel Athenée on the evening of the 30th April and throughout the 1st May - the special post office being open only on the latter date. Only thirty-five registered items exist, bearing the ordinary "Luxembourg-ville" labels. Special cards were printed with the Association's badge in red, white, blue and yellow at the top left and the name of the event in black below,

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# MOUNTING A SCOUT STAMP COLLECTION

# By T. Baxter

I was recently asked to show some stamps to a local Philatelic Society and decided that SCOUTING deserved a showing and so I had to rearrange my Scout stamps into some presentable order and so that with few words of introduction and comments here and there I could give an hour's enjoyment to my hosts.

My first step was to rob South Africa of the Mafeking page - a Sgt. Goodyear and one of each size B-P and a short write up of dates etc.

(I also had a few other Mafeking Relief stamps on another page for those interested!)

Next I introduced the first really Scout Stamps Czechoslovakia No. 1 and 2 together with a short write up. Then, mentioning that I had no copies of the Siam overprints, carried on with the first issue of ROUMANIA of 1931, issued at a premium in aid of Scout Funds, and other Scout stamps of the same country.

Then HUNGARY 1933 issue for the 4th World Jamboree! What a chance to spread oneself on this theme! (coupled with this set was the 1939 Girl Guide Rally - held on the same camp site!) Jamborees set the pattern for the next sheets:-

- 1937 The Netherlands and Netherlands Indies.
- 1947 France (should have been 1941 but something happened!)
- 1951 Austria what a delightful stamp this is.
- 1955 Canada.
- 1957 Great Britain, with the three sets of overprints.
- 1959 Philippine Islands also Indonesia and Formosa sets.
- 1963 Greece with Nigeria and the Maldive Islands sets.
- 1967 We have to await with interest!

We then introduce the Girl Guides - with the New Zealand 1944 "Health" pair and the 1953 "Health" paired with the Boy Scout! The outside frame in Morse Code is a good exercise for those who think they have forgotten! Incidentally, what about a little history on N. Z. Health Stamps? It's quite interesting.

International Conferences is our next theme, starting with LIECHTENSTEIN 1953 - the most attractive portrait of B-P -for the 14th Conference followed by Portugal, 1962. (The 18th Conference had been held in 1961 - but why worry, they did honour us!)

Then comes the 50th Anniversary of the Scout Movement, and did they go to town! Belgium, Finland, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Antilles, Brazil, Cuba and Persia all get on to one page, whilst, South Korea, Formosa and Togo of 1961 take another. The Dominican Republic's overprinted Olympic set takes another page whilst Nicaragua and Liechtenstein provide three more!

The 50th Anniversary of the Movement in individual countries follows with the Greek set of 1960, Brazil of 1960, and Siam (Thailand really but- I think of it as Siam!), in 1961, followed by America, the Canal Zone in 1960; Barbados, Ceylon, Turkey and Austria in 1962, with Switzerland in 1963. Fiji celebrated with a Jamborette and a pair of stamps in 1964 which with St. Vincent's badge issue and Nigeria's set in 1965 makes another page. Lebanon's set in 1962 completes that section although the Cyprus set of 1963 commemorates the Golden Jubilee AND 3rd Commonwealth Scout Conference and has to be fitted in somewhere so here it is - as also is the 1965 Bermuda stamp awaiting a companion of some sort!

The 40th Anniversary of South Korea 1962, and of Madagascar (Malagasy Republic) in 1964, make a nice page. SURINAM (Dutch West Indies of my school days.) also celebrated forty years in 1964.

In 1965, we have a page of PARAGUAY for the 9th International Patrol Camp - quite a lot of history on this set!

National and World Areas Jamborees make quite a good showing: one page for Australia and New Zealand Pan-Pacific Jamborees 1948 - 1952, 1959 and 1966, another page for Caribbean Jamborees - Jamaica 1952 and Trinidad 1961, whilst Pan-Arab Jamborees have:-

Egypt 1956, Syria 1958, Tunisia 1960, Morocco 1962, Egypt 1964 and Libya 1966 - quite an interesting series!

U.S.A. 1950, Pakistan 1960 (Kim's gun at Lahore of special mention!), Pakistan 1958 pair, Japan 1949 and 1962, Persia 1960, Indonesia 1955, the Philippines 1954 and 1961, Cuba 1954 and Brazil 1954 are all National Camps or Jamborees, as too are Libya 1962 and 1964, South Vietnam's 1959 set and the Republic of Central Africa's pair complete this section!

The 25th Anniversary of the Philippines Scouts produced a pair in 1948 and so far are the only ones at twenty-five!

Paraguay produced a set in 1962, "In honour of Scouting" - a good advertisement but no doubt also to raise some extra revenue!

Here I introduced a page of National Youth Stamps of BULGARIA

in 1942 and ROUMANIA in 1951, (Young Pioneers), who work on our lines but under political domination.

Then I had several pages of Girl Guide stamps and I wound up with a 22nd Anniversary of the HAITIAN Scouts in 1962 - a set which included both Lord and Lady Baden-Powell on two of the stamps, a solitary German stamp of 1961 showing St. George, Patron Saint of Scouts, and the final set, a page of COLOMBIA of 1962 commemorating the 25th Anniversary of Guiding, and the 30th Anniversary of Scouting - a nice combination.

To my way of thinking, this is the best way of mounting Scouting (and Guiding) stamps to be of interest to outsiders. Most of my stamps are mint, but I have not hesitated to include used, where mint are not available, or have interesting post marks. My covers, I have housed separately under date order, but I am not happy about them - one day I will get down to it and mount them properly with other interesting Scout covers etc.

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#### **COLLECTING STORY - SCOUT STAMPS**

# By H. Cox

I was introduced to the S.S.C.C. in 1960. I was immediately interested and started to accumulate many various items. I have not been a Scout and felt I should know more of the history of Scouting to help me to understand better the early issues of the collection and I visited the Scout shop in London and obtained literature.

How to set out my collection was a problem. I wanted to make it interesting to me, to Scouters, Philatelists, and to those who were not particularly interested in Stamps or in Scouting. I decided to make it a 'History of Scouting, on Stamps', and to set it out in historical order and also to relate the important and interesting developments in the Movement. I was helped here by Patrol Boom No. 20: 'Your Movement'.

I started with Mafeking and recorded the experiences and

ideas which came to B-P. My first page carries the Cadet Goodyear stamps and is followed by Mafeking Baden Powell, and next the Mafeking overprints. Then I have a full page 'written up' about Experimental Camp at Brownsea Island; past issue of Scouting for Boys' and The Scout; past Scout Headquarters, and the like. I say 'written up', but to enable my friends to read it, I have in fact typed it (throughout the whole collection - I admit in shame). Next follows the story of Czech. 1918, with stamps and covers, some more brief items of history, then Siam, and so on.

Later, when more than one Scout Stamp was issued in a year, I took the Countries of issue in alphabetical order for that year.

I collect Mint, Used, Blocks, F.D. covers and the stamp covers and show them, more or less, in that order. I do not go for all Camp Covers, or the like, and those I have, I put at the end of the Countries of the year of issue and in alphabetical order, as convenient.

The proved benefits of this method are (1) I know where to find an item, without difficulty, (2) I can add an item, or another page, with ease, (3) as new issues come along, they fall into place at the end of the album, with a brief note of the historical occasion.

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# <u>SNIPPETS</u>

# By Howard L. Fears

- \*\*\* I have been offered the U.A.R. Syria Souvenir Sheet offer at 60. Anyone interested?
- \*\*\* A 12th World Jamboree postage meter slug is being used by various councils throughout the U.S. It pictures a saluting uniformed Scout to the left of the wording "12th BOY SCCUT WORLD JAMBOREE, North Idaho, August 1-9 '67". To the right of the wording is a triangle worded "Visit Spokane (Washington) too."
- \*\*\* The National Supply Service of the B.S.A. have issued 1967 Jamboree Seals, picturing the Jamboree emblem, worded "for friend-ship", the theme of the 12th World Jamboree. Issued forty-eight labels

per sheet; they cost 10¢ per sheet, and may be ordered from S.O.S.S.I Sales Service, P.O, Box 412, Bound Brook, New Jersey (U.S.A.) 08805. Please include postage.

- \*\*\* From "The Stamp Lover" comes an appreciative review of A. H. NICHOLSON'S "Catalogue of Scout and Guide Stamps". The reviewer writes "The compiler has obviously put a great deal of work into this catalogue in endeavouring to discover all the relevant information appertaining to each issue. Not the least useful feature, is that catalogue numbers are given from five catalogues: Stanley Gibbons, Scott, Yvert and Tellier, Michel and Zumstein, thus ensuring world-wide ease of use."
- \*\*\* "Scottish Scout News" for June 1967, includes in Stamp Collectors Corner, a write-up on recent Scout issued. This is very good publicity.
- \*\*\* A request from a collector in Czechoslovakia: KAREL HALABURDA of NAWKOVA 787, CESKA LIPA, Czechoslovakia writes "I want a friend for exchanging of stamps. I can give in exchange stamps from my country." Anyone interested should write to him.
- \*\*\* An issue of two stamps from Ceylon to commemorate the Golden Jubilee of the Girl Guides; release date 19th September, 1967, the work of a local artist, printed by Thos De La Rue and Co, Ltd., by the Delacryl process; one hundred stamps per sheet, without watermark; 3 cent and 25 cent values, both measuring 25mm by 36mm.

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