## BADEN-POWELL'S SCOUTING LIFE.

Lt. General Robert S.S.Baden-Powell (B-P), Hero of the Siege of Mafeking (1899-1900) decided that something should be done for the youth of Great Britain.









In August 1907 he organised a camp on Brownsea Island in Poole Harbour, Dorset for a group of boys from all walks of life.

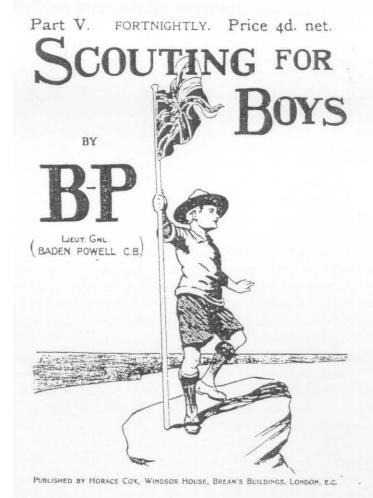


THIS WAS THE BIRTH OF THE SCOUT MOVEMENT.

During the autumn of 1907 B-P prepared the text for his handbook SCOUTING FOR BOYS which was originally published in six fortnightly parts.







He also ran a series of camps all over the country to raise interest in the Boy Scouts.



In 1909 B-P was Knighted by King Edward VII.



Postcard describes a visit by B-P to Shanghai in 1910.

At the Crystal Palace Rally in 1909, a group of "Girl Scouts" turned up demanding recognition. (In 1910 B-P founded the Girl Guides Movement with his sister Agnes Baden-Powell.)





THE BOY SCOUTS. A Girl Scout Comrade.

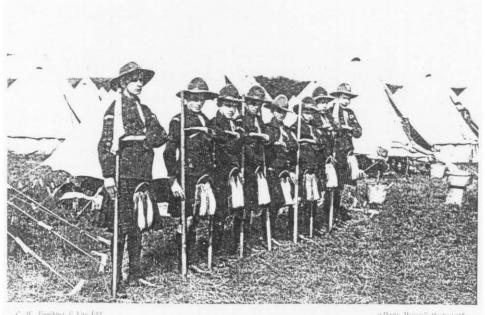
In 1911 the new King George V was introduced to the Boy Scouts at the Windsor Rally.





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KING'S REVIEW OF BOY SCOUTS. The King with Baden-Powell inspecting Boys.



KING'S REVIEW OF BOY SCOUTS. The new Boy Scout Salute.



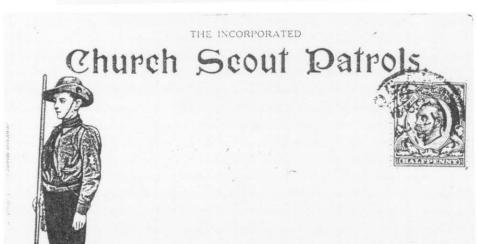


In 1912 B-P married OLAVE St.CLAIR SOAMES, and they eventually made their home at Pax Hill, Bentley, Hampshire.





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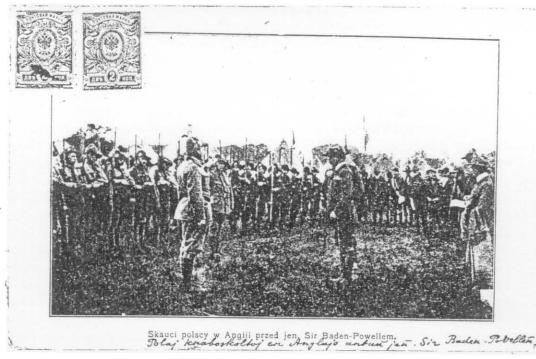


During the first few years of Scouting, the Movement had many factions sponsored by organisations such as The Church Lads' Brigade who formed CHURCH SCOUT PATROLS. The YMCA and Salvation Army also had their own Scout Troops

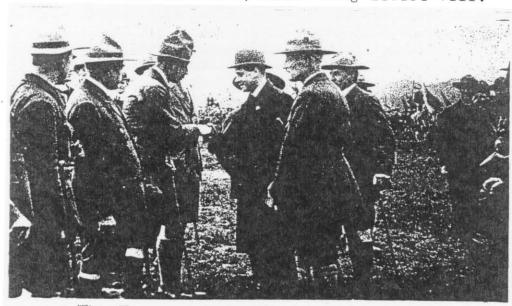
The First Scout Exhibition was held in Birmingham during 1913. Scouts from many nations took part.



B-P inspects the Polish contingent.



The Royal seal of approval was given by the Prince of Wales, later King Edward VIII.



The Prince's Visit to Birmingham ...





Are YOU in this?

Poster label designed by B-P.

The Great War broke out in 1914, and Scouts on both sides were encouraged to "do their bit".





French Scouts performed services for the Military.



German and Austrian Scouts involved in salvage work.









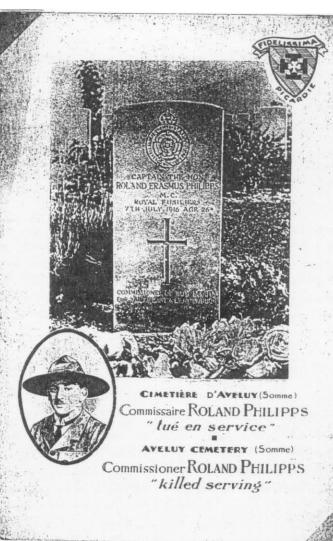
THE GREAT BOY SCOUT.

Jack Cornwell V.C., killed at the Battle of Jutland, after whom B-P named the CORNWELL SCOUT BADGE, awarded to Scouts operating under great handicaps.



Roland Philipps, Scout Commissioner, killed in France, after whom ROLAND HOUSE, the East THE GREAT WAR 1914 - 1918 produced many Scout heroes.





London Scout Settlement was named and endowed.

In joyous celebration following the Great War, the FIRST WORLD SCOUT JAMBOREE was held at OLYMPIA in London.





When asked the word JAMBOREE was chosen, B-P stated "What else could you call it?"



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- WAR-WEARY WORLD (at the Jamboree): "I was nearly losing hope, but the sight of all you boys gives it back to me."
- LE MONDE, ÉREINTÉ PAR LA GUERRE (au Jamboree): "Garçons, peu s'en fallut que je ne perdisse espoir, mais je la sens renaître à la vue de vous tous."
- IL MONDO, SPOSSATO DALLA GUERRA (alla Jamboree): "Perdivi quasi ogni speranza, ma la sento rinascere alla vista di voi tutti ragazzi."
- EL MUNDO, ABRUMADO DE LA GUERRA (a la Jamboree): "Yo estaba para perder esperanza, pero la vista de vosotros todos los muchachos me le ha restituida."



1924 was a great year for Scouting, and B-P attended the Imperial Jamboree held in connection with the Empire Exhibition at Wembley. The Prince of Wales was also present as Chief Scout of Wales.



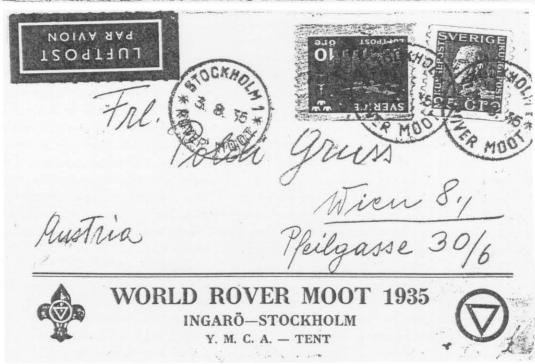


The 2nd WORLD JAMBOREE was held at Ermelunden in Denmark.

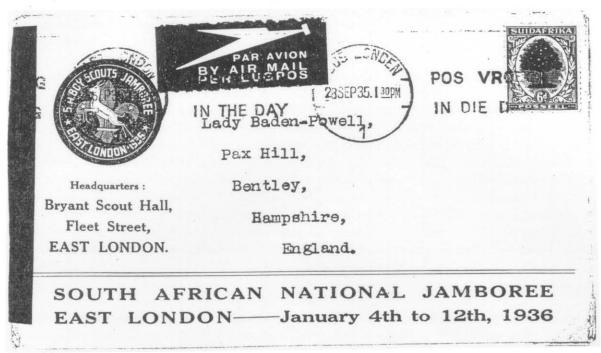


Throughout the 1930's there were many International Scout events which B-P attended in his capacity as Chief Scout of the World. The 4th WORLD JAMBOREE at Gödöllő in Hungary 1933 and 2nd WORLD ROVER SCOUT MOOT at Ingarö, Sweden in 1935.





At the beginning of 1936 B-P was at the SOUTH AFRICAN JAMBOREE at East London. This envelope sent to Lady B-P was posted before the event.



In August 1936, B-P attended his last major Scout event in the United Kingdom, the WEST COUNTRY JAMBOREE, Mount Edgcumbe



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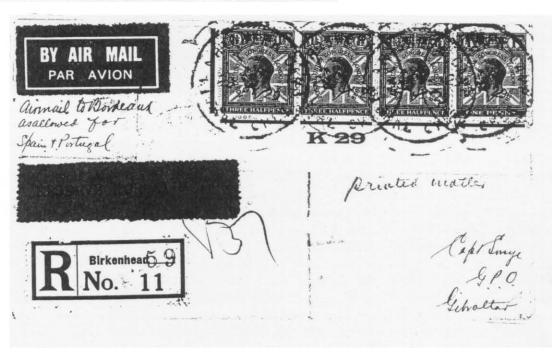




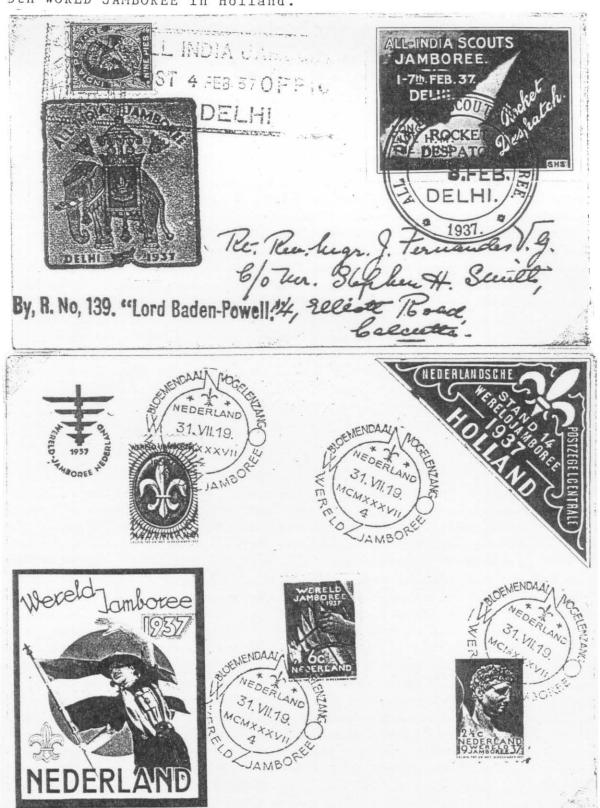
The 3rd WORLD WORLD JAMBORE was held at Arrowe Park Birkenhead, and over 50,000 Boy Scouts were there.

B-P was raised to the Peerage, as LORD BADEN-POWELL of GILWELL.

A special ARROWE PK CAMP postmark was used on Registered mail.



B-P 's travels continued through 1937 with attendance at the ALL-INDIA JAMBOREE, New Delhi in February, and the 5th WORLD JAMBOREE in Holland.



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B-P gained many honours throughout his life, and finally retired to Kenya in 1939.

He passed away on 8th January 1941, and was buried on the slopes of Mount Kenya. He was mourned by Scouts all over the world.





 $B\!-\!P$  was a great correspondent, sending and receiving mail from around the world.



Special perfinned stamps were used at Imperial Scout Headquarters in London.
This card is written in B-P's own hand.



