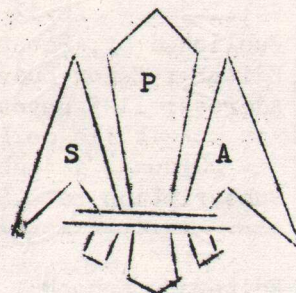


THE MONTE CASSINO WAY



In summer of 1944, the Polish Second Corps as part of the British Eighth Army in Italy, in desperate struggle and repeated attacks captured Monte Cassino Abbey with a loss of over 3,700 lives. Today, 25 years after this bloody battle, the Polish Combatants' Association will hold their rally in August 1969.

The Polish Boy Scouts and Girl Guides Association in the Free World on the battle grounds of Monte Cassino and in the nearby Polish cemetery, will hold from 5-th of August to the 16-th of August 1969, their World gathering.

Hundreds of boys and girls from this Association are expected to participate. Most of them will come from; England, France and Europe in general. Preparations for this event are under way, and it is understood, that some of the Polish Scouts and Polish Girl Scouts of Canada will go there.

This gathering, besides being of Scout nature will first of all serve to renew glory past of the Polish Combatants'. In other words, the Polish youth will, for the satisfaction of the old generation and their memories, put their Scout uniforms on display and will parade in front of them, saying words of patriotism, which they cannot comprehend. And after those few days, they will go to see some of the beauty of Europe, and come home.

One may think, that this will be a nice experience in the life of the few lucky Scouts from Canada.

But, it was brought to our attention, that part of the cost of travel to Italy and back to Canada will be carried by the Secretary of State, Travel & Exchange Division in Ottawa.

And here, we do n o t think that this is right.

Canadian subsidiaries should be spent only within the boundary of this country. We have wondered if Canadian tax-payers would subscribe to this.

If Polish Scouts and Girl Scouts wish to go to Italy for this event, by all means go, but with their own money. After all, they collected last year over \$6,000.00 for Scout work from Polish communities in Canada.

We support any Canadian grant for Scout work, as long, as the money is spent in this country, and for the purpose of seeing and learning about Canada.

But we cannot support grants for the purpose of sightseeing Europe, which basically does not help future Scout work in Canada or contribute to the Canadian way of life. - Comments any one ? Z.B.

just for the record..

The Polish Boy Scouts and Girl Guides Association in Exile, enjoyed international recognition all through the last war, and after the war, until 1947. The resolution taken in 1947 by the Boy Scouts World Conference at Chateau de Rosny (France), took into consideration the existing Scout troops in Displaced Person camps in Germany, Austria and France. At the same time, it suggested, that, those Scouts, on

taking up "residence where there is already a recognised member organisation of the Conference shall have the choice of becoming members of the Association or of relinquishing their Scout membership." (Resolution No. 14, par. E., -1947.).

During the World Scout Conference, held in Elvsaeter (Norway, Aug. 1949), the Polish Scout H.Q. in London, issued an appeal, /Cont.p.3./

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Editors notebook . . .

Recently it was announced, that in this year only, the Rally of Polish Boy Scouts and Girl Guides Assn. in Exile will take place in Italy.

For next year, there are plans, to hold a World Conference of the Polish Scout Assn. in Exile.

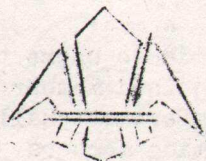
One wonders where the logic is in this decision ? .

First; it would be handy to have all representatives of the Association gathered in Monte Cassino and at the same time and cost, hold the Rally and World Conference.

Second; no large delegation (as in the case of the Rally in Italy), will be able to participate in the proposed World Conference, specially from such countries as ; Canada , U.S.A. or Australia. There is simply no money for year after year travel to Europe.

In our opinion, this proposition is a case of simple mismanagement of Scout affairs, or worse, based on some political (by ex-Polish standards) inclinations.

We hope, that this decision of the Polish Scout H.Q. in London, England, will be modified, so the two events can take place at one time and at one expense to the members of Polish Scouting.



CZUWAJ is not an official publication of the Polish Scouts Assn., but a venture to aid the World Scout Brotherhood.

It would be much appreciated, if this newsletter could be subscribed.

in the NEWS . . .

The Polish Girl Scouts Assn. in Canada, recently reported, that for the past year, they had; -

100 Girl Scout Leaders & Commissioners, 239 Brownies, 443 Guides, 137 Rangers, a total of 919 members and 58 Guide Troops.

Last year, 373 Polish Girl Guides took part in summer activities. The biggest was a Training Camp in Hillsdale Meadows (just under Banff in Alberta). This camp, with 116 Girl Guides and instructors was made possible by the grant of \$10,000.00 from the Secretary of State, Travel & Exchange Div., Ottawa.

Mrs. Z. Halek is the Chief Commissioner for the Polish Girl Scouts in Canada.

In the middle * of January '69, the Polish Scouts & Girl Scouts Commissioners and Friends of Polish Scouts in Canada, celebrated traditional "Scout New Year's Day" in Toronto, Ontario. There were representatives from, Montreal, Hamilton and Oshawa. The evening was full of scout spirit and joy. The young Scout instructors; W. Rybka and T. Wojciechowski, were the Masters of Ceremony.

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Argentina. "We reached", said the telegram - "on January 14th 1969, at 3.35 p.m. the mountain peak in the mountain range of Mendoza, 5,250 m. We give the name - Monte Cassino." -

The Polish Rovers in this country, organized on January a mountain climbing expedition under the guidance of Scout Commissioner W. Blicharski. It was the second expedition (the first took place last year), under the name "Tatra" 2. This outing brought every success to the Polish Rovers.

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England. Lieutenant General W. Anders former Commanding General of the II-nd Polish Corps in the Italian Campaign (1944), presented on December 19th, 1968, the Polish Scouts Assn. with a donation of £ 4,000 (over \$10,000.00.) for this years Polish Scouts World Jamboree. It will take place under Monte Cassino, Italy.

JUST FOR THE RECORD ... /Cont./

which reads in part;- "our groups in Great Britain, France, Belgium and all other countries are strongly encouraged to establish a close relationship with the Scout Associations of the countries concerned. We are sure that such a collaboration is and will be most helpful for our boys. There is no objection for our troops being registered with the Headquarters concerned as long as this does not mean that through registration they come fully under the authority of these Headquarters. We are also aware of the fact that our troops in various countries are bound by the laws and regulations existing in these countries with regard to Scout activities... We think however, that for the benefit of all parties concerned it would be better if these Associations would continue to recognise our Scout groups in their countries as national Scout groups, working in close touch with them but dependent primarily on the Polish H.Q. in London." - (Aug. 8th, 1949.).

This appeal at that time, was only voted for, by 37 nations and 100 against.

During the World Scout Conference in Vaduz (Liechtenstein in August 1953), Resolution No. 6/53, is saying in part;- "The Conference extends its cordial greetings to Scouts living in Exile and pays tribute to the devoted service rendered by many hundreds of Scout leaders in giving Scout training to boys displaced from their native lands and in maintaining contact between them wherever they may now be living..." -

In 1957 exiled Scout organizations were invited to the Jubilee Jamboree in Sutton Park, and to the World Scout Conference in Cambridge. At this time, the Cambridge Conference, voted a new resolution (No. 12/57), recommending "future permanent relationship of CSAE /Council of Scout Associations in Exile / with the World Brotherhood of Scouts." -

Since, no special progress was made in this way of thinking and acting, the exile Scout organizations, were at this time at their highest standard of Scout training and organizational strenght.

Once again, the Polish Scout H.Q. issued an appeal to the World Scout Conference in September 1961. This time, this document was built up by historical rights of Polish Scouts to the membership

in World Conference, and maintained, that the .. "Polish Boy Scouts Association, never lost membership of International Scouting". It rejected all decisions of World Scouting in connection with Resolution No. 12/57 of the World Conference in Cambridge.

Since that time, no new appeal of the Polish Boy Scouts Assn. in Exile was issued.

To our suprise, after the publication of a document, under the title; "Report on World Scouting" by dr. L. Nagy, no comments were offered. And here, one must say, that this "Report...", is giving lots of new ideas towards the Exile Scout organizations.

In August 1969 once again, the Boy Scouts World Conference will take place. And here one would like to think, that this will offer again for the Polish Scouts an opportunity, to let the Scout World know of their feeling towards above mentioned problems.

We think, that after 8 years of silence, the whole matter of mutual existence of World Scouting and the Exile problems, should be once more, the subject of a new outlook. (z.b.)

POLISH NATIONAL DAY - MAY 3rd...

When the people of Poland adopted the Polish Constitution of May 3rd, 1791, they incorporated in that great document the concept of the right of man to human liberty and the rightfull place among the free nations on the earth.

Every year on May 3rd, the Polish people in the Free World are celebrating the - Polish National Day - as a symbol of bond, linking the Polish nation with Western culture and civilization.

In Canada, the Polish Scouts will attend on this day, church services, will participate in National parades and take part in National Field competitions.

The Scout leaders, traditionally will hold their semi-annual meeting.

The "Scout-Press-Archives", founded in 1965, would like to report ; -

16). New publication ...

Since February 1969, the World Scouts Bureau in Geneva is publishing a new magazine, under the title; "World Scouting Newsletter - Bulletin du Scoutisme Mondial." The purpose of this publication is to "broader and faster communications about the World Brotherhood" and "to bring ideas and information from throughout the Movement monthly". This bulletin is published in English and French. This publication is a very welcome addition (the quarterly magazine "World Scouting" stays as it is) to the information service of World Scouting. We would like all Scout troops and troops publications subscribe to this newsletter, since it will be an important link for them with the World Scout Brotherhood.

17). After the last issue, published in May 1968, the magazine "Wici Harcerskie Kanady" appeared again in December 1968.

This number (83) contains only two lengthy stories. One of the Girl Scouts camp in the Rocky Mountains and the bus trip by the Polish Scouts from Toronto, Ont. to Victoria B.C. and back.

This number, carries no editorials, no addresses and names of editors or publishers.

18). Once again, we would like to draw your attention, to the publication ; - "Scout Memorabilia". This fine magazine, devoted mainly to Scout history, can serve a very real purpose of a new hobby for Scouters or Scout troops. The last issue of this magazine, carries interesting material related to the history of B.S. of A. and the life of Baden-Powell. You can obtain a sample copy, by writing to the publisher and editor; Mr. H.D. Thorsen, Jr., 387 Sunset Rd., Winnetka, Ill. 60093. - U.S.A.

19). The Archive would be very grateful for receiving more Scout publications for its file.

The World Brotherhood of Scouting is composed of 96 national member associations representing 15 million Scouts and Leaders in over 150 separate territories.

The ten leading nations in membership are;

1). United States of America	6.058.508.
2). Indonesia	3.005.384.
3). Great Britain	609.426.
4). India	591.715.
5). Philippines	585.624.
6). Thailand	417.579.
7). Canada	326.466.
8). Australia	177.538.
9). Pakistan	159.915.
10). France	155.047.
Total;	12.087.202.

The year 1969 has been designated as WORLD MOOT YEAR, by the 21st World Conference of the Boy Scout Movement.

World Rover Moots - Jamboree for Rovers, were held in ; -

1st in 1931, Kandersteg, Switzerland,
2nd in 1935, Ingarö, Sweden,
3rd in 1939, Monzie, Scotland, U.K.,
4th in 1949, Skjak, Norway,
5th in 1953, Kandersteg, Switzerland,
6th in 1957, Sutton Park, England,
7th in 1961, Clifford Park, Australia
8th in 1965, Kandersteg, Switzerland.

The are approximately 150.000 Rover Scouts in the sixty-four nations having this branch.

(WSN). Germany. An encampment of several thousand Scouts Had, as one of the requirements for the individual participation award, the bringing of commemorative postage stamps for the Handicapped Scouts' Stamp Scheme. The result - over 423.000 stamps.

UPI - Reports;

Chilean Scouts Rebel ...

Santiago, March 7th, 1969. - Chilean Boy Scouts sized their Scout headquarter and proclaimed a new directorate.

Their aim, to carry out "a movement of profound transformation" designed to meet their needs.

The ousted directors issued a communique proclaiming the Scouts, - rebels and acting in an "most unscoutlike" manner.

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- WORLD SCOUTING - (Cont.)

Gilwell Park, the International Scout training centre near London, England, will commemorate its Golden Jubilee in 1969.

A number of special events and activities have been planned during the year. The Jubilee Gilwell Reunion will be held on Sept. 6-8, '69. Also the International Hall at Gilwell Park is well under way and the architects pleased with progress. Many countries are involved in one way and another in being identified with this building.

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OPERATION CAN - CARIB ...

Since last fall the Boy Scouts of Canada are providing essential services in the regions of the Caribbean Islands; Guyana, Surinam, Trinidad, Barbados, Dominican Rep., Haiti, Antigua, Jamaica, Anguilla, Bahamas, Bermuda, Dominica, Grenada, Montserrat, St. Kitts, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and Belize, the capital of British Honduras. The Scout population in the Islands total; 33,612. Each Island is facing many problems today in terms of Scout organization and programs. CAN-CARIB is a four year project which will cost the Boy Scouts of Canada through its Canadian Scout Brotherhood Fund, \$10,000.00 each year. But it will supply this region with much needed help to develop Scout Brotherhood in the World.

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ETHNIC SCOUTS & GUIDES ...

The Ethnic Scouts and Guides organized on Feb. 23rd, 1969, a special Scout evening in Toronto, to commemorate the Founders Birthday.

Boy Scout Troops, Girl Guides Troops and Friends of Scouting took part in this colourful event.

Scout groups of; Hungarian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Estonian, Ukrainian and Polish, Scouts and Guides presented their national dances.

The traditional - Friendship flame of Scout Brotherhood - was lit by one representative of each National Scout groups.

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- The cynic is the one who knows the price of everything and the value of nothing. - - - - - Wilde. - - -

S.P.A. news (Cont.)

20). The only independent Polish Scout magazine in England, "Chowanna", devoted its last issue (No. 3.) to the subject of education of Scout leaders in the Polish Scout Movement. There are also notes, about the topic of important level in education and training of Scouts and some articles are devoted to the Boy Scout Movement in Poland during the years 1939/44. The text (in Polish) of the -Universal Declaration of Human Rights - (from Dec. 10, 1948) is serving as a guide line for the content of this number of "Chowanna".

The general topic of this issue is important and it should be read and considered by the Polish Scout leaders. You can obtain a copy, by writing to; "Chowanna", 76 Cleveland St. London, W1N-9UZ, England.

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21). The Polish Scout publication in the U.S.A., "Spoжник Terenowy" is celebrating its 10th anniversary. The first number was published March 21st, 1959. The first two years, this magazine was mimeographed and since then is produced by offset print. Every number of this well produced magazine, edited by H. Poltorak, S.M., contains special sections for; Cub Scouts, Scouts and Rovers.

We would like to congratulate this magazine for its long and fine service towards Polish Scouting in Exile.

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*** MONTE CASSINO ***

Called to Higher Service

We deeply regret the passing of Commissioner Boleslaw CHOLEWO of Toronto, Ont., on February 26, 1969.

He was member of the Polish Scout Assn. in Canada and editor of the Associations magazine "Wici Harcerskie Kanady" since 1962.

He rendered outstanding service to the Movement.

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S. P. A. NEWS... (Cont.)

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Publ. Philadelphia, Penna. U.S.A..

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- "News of the Fifth". Vol. V. No. 4., November 1968. Publ. Marlborough, Rhodesia.

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rier Conference in Paris, of 51 registered Commissioners, only 13 attended this meeting.

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-- The Polish Academic Scout Troop from London, England, will hold from March 30th, to April 9th, 1969, a ski camp in Mayrhofen, Austria. It will be located at the Penkem mountains (7.000 ft.) and their ski trainers will be Ernst and Erika Spiess, the Olympic ski winners.

The preparations for the Polish Scouts and Girl Guides gathering in Monte Cassino are far advanced. The date is set for ; August 5th to 16th, 1969 .

The temporary program of this event, is as follow;

Aug. 5th, - Arrival at the city of Cassino.

Aug. 5th to 15th. - Scout Jamboree.

Aug. 15th, - Big celebrations devoted to "Soldiers Day".

Aug. 16th, - Closing day of this Jamboree.

Aug. 17th, - Scouts and Combatants' received by the Pope in Rome.

Aug. 18th & 19th, - Visit to Naples,

Pompei, Rome, Florence.

Aug. 21. - Leaving Italy.

The Scouts and Guides from Canada are expected to visit; London (England), Paris (France) and some of the graves of Canadian Soldiers in France.

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General Scout News...

-- From Jan. 18 to Feb. 15, 1969, the Polish Boy Scouts Troops in Argentina, held its summer camp in Digue de la Wuintana.

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-- Polish Scout Troop No. 5., in Argentina held its summer camp in Cordeby mountains from Jan. 7th to Feb. 7th, 1969.

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-- Scouts and Girl Guides of the Polish Scout Association, from Sydney, Australia organized in January their summer camp. The camp was located in Colo, where over 120 Scouts and 14 leaders took part in this fine event.

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--- Polish Cubs, Scouts, Rovers and Scout Leaders in France took part in this years winter activities. Special winter Scout camps were popular in that part of the World. A big effort is made sending the Scouts to Italy, this year. The general support for Polish Scouting in France is good, as far the youth is concerned. But at last years Commission-