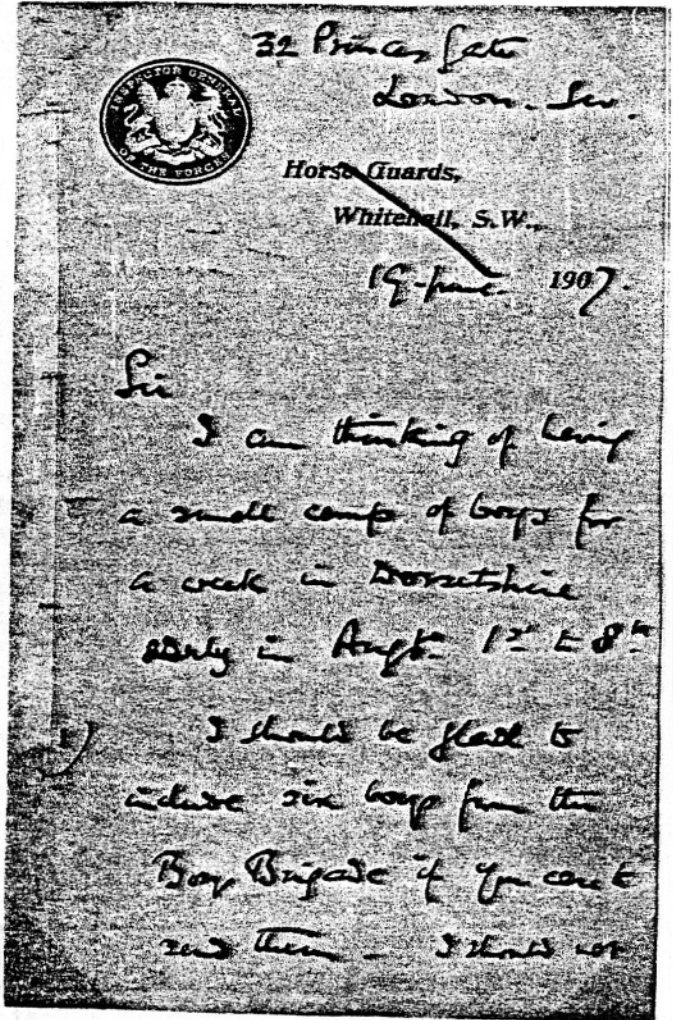
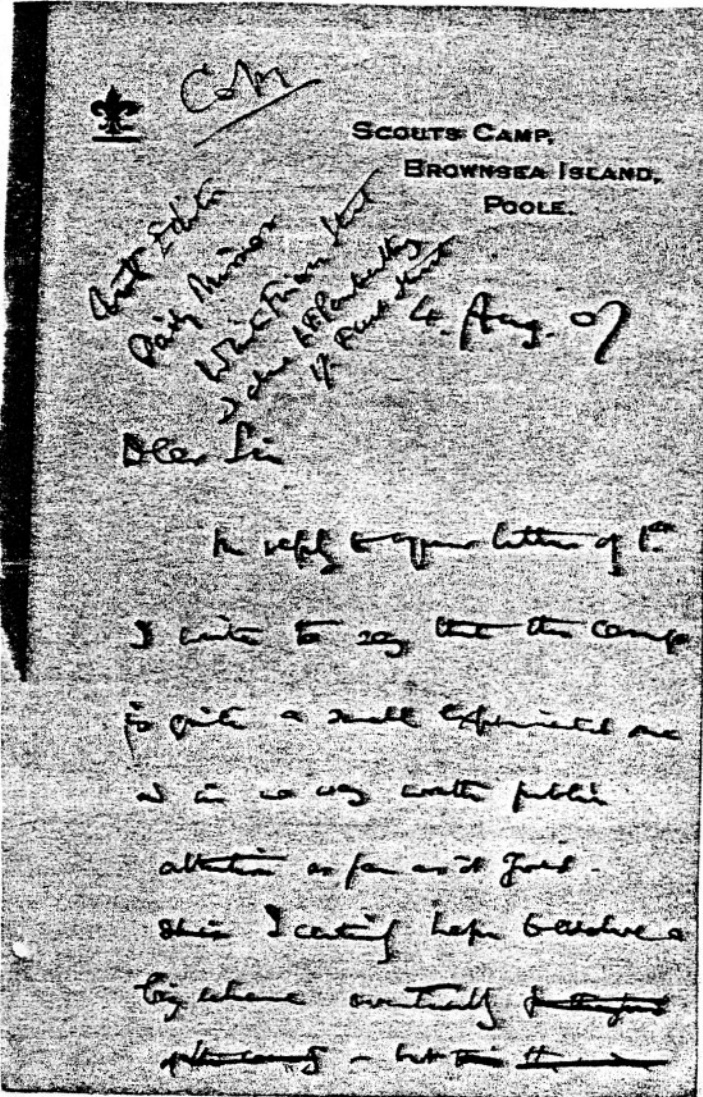


HOW IT ALL BEGAN.....

A letter from Lieutenant-General Baden-Powell 19th June 1907.
 "I am thinking of having a small camp of boys for a week in Dorsetshire early in August. I should be glad to include six boys from the Boys' Brigade if you can send them. I should not charge them anything - unless you think it is polite to do so," etc.
 The letter continues:- "I propose to teach them my new form of Scouting for Boys".



Draft of a letter to the DAILY MIRROR regarding the camp on Brownsea Island. "..... the Camp is quite a small experimental one, and is no way worth public attention as far as it goes. I certainly hope to evolve a big scheme eventually....."

From these modest beginnings there started the greatest Youth Movement in world history. Did the Founder ever envisage the millions of boys and girls, men and women, who would feel his influence which has continued over 75 years?

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On February 20th this year we celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the founding of our Club. To mark this special occasion, together with the 75th year of Scouting, we are holding our Stamp Exhibition at Baden-Powell House on February 20th and 21st. It is therefore by coincidence that we shall meet on the exact day twenty-five years after the first meeting was held in London in 1957. Since then the Club has gone from strength to strength with an active membership of over six hundred from 37 countries of the world. Our next issue will record the history of the Club, together with those who have helped to make it such a success.

John P. Ineson.