



CHILDREN GET INTO THE ACT AS ELLEORE'S ARMY LINES UP FOR INSPECTION BY KING LEO



BUGLE HERALDS KING'S ARRIVAL

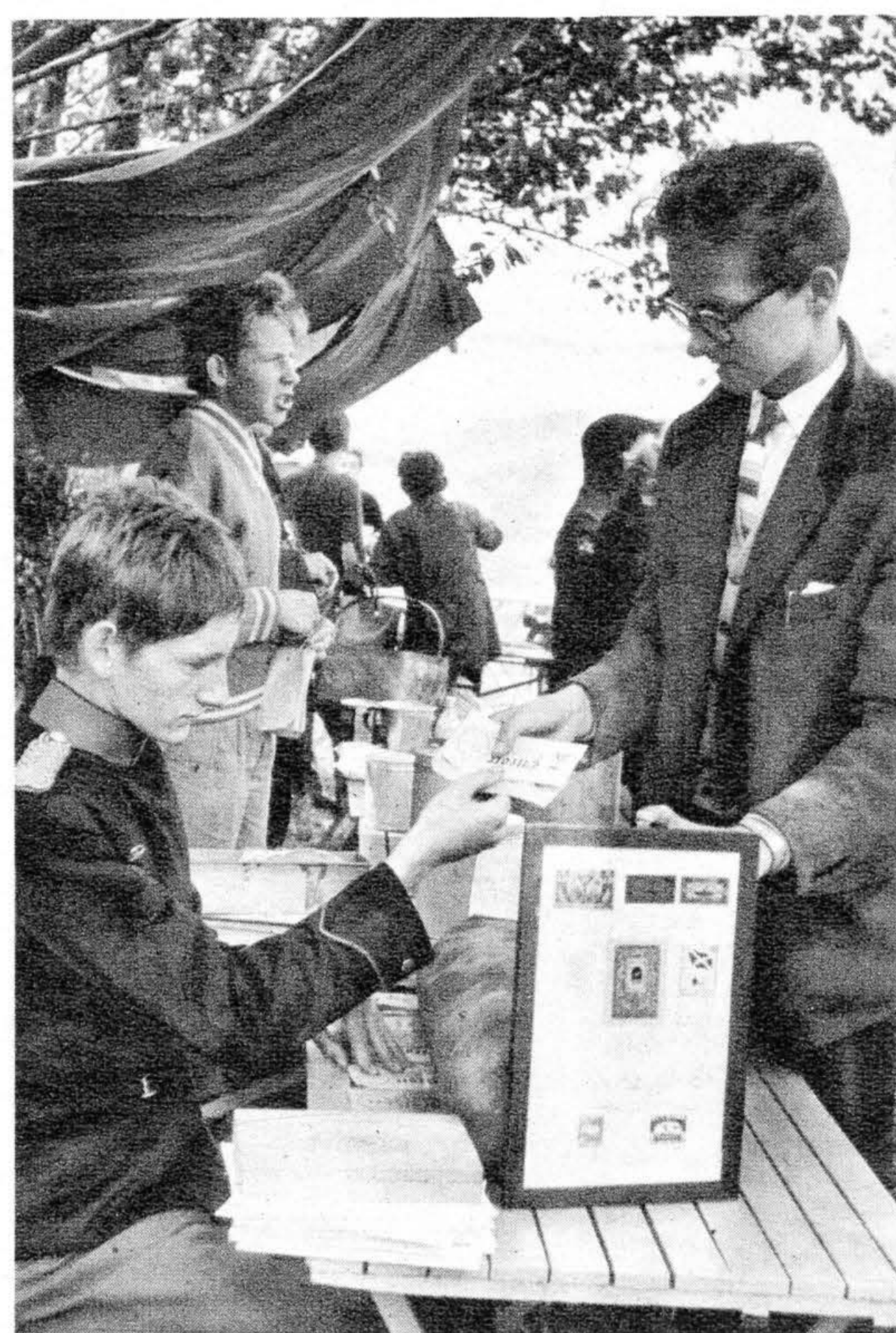
Tiny kingdom

Danish teacher reigns in world's smallest state

THE WORLD'S smallest "state" is the independent kingdom of Elleore, a tiny island in Denmark's beautiful fjord of Roskilde. Elleore's populace is made up of vacationing Copenhagen schoolboys and their teachers, and the tiny nation has its own currency, stamps, tariffs and even an army of sorts.

Asserting its independence, Elleore clings still to "national time," abolished by Denmark 60 years ago, and foreigners coming to the island by rowboat must set their watches back 12 minutes.

King Leo and his ministers are teachers. His customs officers collect duty on such items as egg-and-sardine sandwiches and loose coat buttons. Elleore seeks friendship from both East and West, maintains its army only as a deterrent.



MONEY CHANGER takes Danish currency for Elleore money, which visitor must use to buy the island's distinctive stamps.



KING LEO is greeted by his subjects. Elleore's flag is a white cross on a red field. The first men to land on the island, say historians, were Irish monks who came here in the year 944