

CANADIAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY OFFICIAL BULLETIN

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The past month has been a very strenuous one to many of us and our philatelic activities have been somewhat spasmodic, at least in teamwork on the part of the directors of this society. Our intentions have been of the best, but some of our valued members will doubtless indulgently jolly us that these intentions were of the famous pavement material referred to in the classics. However, the Christmas festivity was very exacting and we all tried to stand up to it like men. It seemed impossible to contact any two directors at a given time but the regular monthly meeting on the 13th inst. found them all in action together again.

The President of the Nova Scotia Stamp Club, Mr. R. M. Hattie, has written to the Postmaster General conveying a copy of a resolution adopted by his club which suggested an issue to commemorate the one hundredth anniversary on July 17, 1940, of the "BRITANNIA" inaugurating the rapid transit of mails between Europe and America by the steamship line started by Mr. Samuel Cunard. It was with pleasure that I complied with Mr. Hattie's request for the President of the Canadian Philatelic Society to write to the Postmaster General endorsing the suggestion made by the affiliated Nova Scotia Stamp Club.

I would draw to your attention the notice of the Annual Meeting of the Society also the call for nominations for Directors of same. Kindly note that nominations must be in the hands of the Recording Secretary thirty days before the date of the Annual Meeting. Owing to the resignation of Mr. S. R. Given a short time ago, Mr. W. J. Cafley has been appointed Recording Secretary for the balance of the term.

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PHILATELIC ARTICLES IN OUR LIBRARY (Continued)

AUSTRIA

1. Historic Austria
2. Post War Austria
3. Bisects of Austria
4. Forgery of Austria - Lombardy-Scott #1
5. Air Mail Stamps of 1918
6. Austrian Air Mail Stamps 1910-1924

BAHAMAS

1. Short Philatelic History
2. The 1 Penny Inter-Insular Stamp

BAVARIA

1. "Jest Mask" Stamps

BELGIUM

1. "Tin Hat" Issue of 1919
2. Issues of 1850-51
3. The 1915 Issue
4. The 10 Ct. of 1915
5. The 10 Ct. & 20 Ct. Medallion Type of 1850
6. Retouches of the Imperforate Medallion
7. The Line Engraved Stamps

BARBADOS

1. The Origin of the Figure Britannia on the Stamps
2. Another Tercentenary (1926)
3. Barbados, by C.A. Stephenson
4. First Type - Re-Entries on Plate 1.
5. Small Colonial Seal Issue 1921-24
6. Variety on One Penny Victory Issue 1920
7. The Stamps of Barbados.

BATUM

1. Stamps of the British Occupation
2. Tree Type Forgeries
3. Varieties

BELGIUM

8. Varieties of the 1 Ct. Medallion, perf. 14 $\frac{1}{2}$
9. The 1 & 3 Ct. of the 1915 Type
10. The 1928 Newspaper Stamps
11. The Bar Cancellations
12. Forgeries of Belgium Stamps
13. Forgeries of Belgium Stamps, Scott's Nos. 749-758
14. Belgian Occupation of German East Africa.

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

Take notice that the Annual Meeting of the Society will be held at the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, on Saturday, April 15th, 1939, at 2 p.m., for the purpose of receiving and considering the reports of the Officers and Directors for the year 1938. At this meeting there will also be elected the Directors for 1939; this Board of Directors will meet immediately after the General Meeting for the purpose of electing a President, Treasurer and Secretary and will appoint necessary officers for the year 1939.

Nominations for Directors (8) must be in writing and in the hands of the Recording Secretary at least thirty days before the date of the Annual Meeting, April 15th, 1939. Those nominating and nominated must be paid up members of the Society. After the closing of nominations the Secretary will mail the list of nominees and proxy forms for voting purposes to those entitled to same. Instructions re the use of these proxies will accompany same and will also be published in the Official Bulletin.

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SALES DEPARTMENT

Are you realizing full value for your membership. To do this you should try our Sales Dept., either as a buyer or seller or both. Our Sales Manager misses no bets in pushing your stamps.

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PROPOSALS FOR MEMBERSHIP.

Mr. J.H. MacKenzie	65	Heddington Ave.	Toronto	Proposed by	J.B. Filsinger.
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Mr. D.R. Brownlee		Route #1	Charlton, Ont."	"	" Mr. Buckland
Mr. H.H. Moeckler		Port Nelson,	Ontario	"	" Mr. A.W. Winton

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NEWS OF THE MONTH

The Post Office Department has just released another list of the numbers of stamps issued. It is their practise to release these figures in groups, at least three months after they are sold out at the Philatelic Branch. The latest list follows:

3¢ brown, 1918	-	2,044,000,000	United Empire Loyalist, 1934	3,000,000
7¢ yellow		103,200,000	Silver Jubilee, 1935, 1¢	30,500,000
20¢ olive green		91,966,000	Silver Jubilee, 1935, 10¢	3,125,000
4¢ yellow, 1922		75,900,000	1930 1¢ green Coil Stamp 8½	16,500,000
3¢ carmine, 1928		11,000,000	1931 2¢ brown Coil Stamp 8½	25,355,000

All previous lists have been published in various C.P.S. Publications and are now on file in our library and are available to members.

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CANADIAN PRECANCELS

The only Precancel issued between July 1st, 1938 and Dec. 31st, was a 3¢ for St. Thomas 2500 of which were used on a calendar for distribution in the Western Provinces. There are none at that office or in the hands of the mailing firm. E.G.

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CANADIAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY DIRECTORS & OFFICERS, 1938.

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EDITORIAL

Before you read these lines some of you will have received your final notice from our Treasurer. Only those with cards for the current year will be listed in the roster which is in preparation by our President. The roster will go to press on February 10th, 1939. To those who are in good standing it is important that you send in list of interests immediately, otherwise the roster will merely be a list of names and addresses. Through the kindness of the directors of your society there are a number of these bulletins which have been complimentary to a selected list as prospective members. All of these will be cut off with this issue, and future copies will only be sent to any new names sent in by present members.

Your editor is thoroughly disgusted with the lack of co-operation by the membership in general in the making up of an interesting bulletin. Everybody wants an interesting sheet but hardly anyone will take a few minutes to write up the summary of any interesting talk that they may have heard or glean the kernels of a magazine article. Incidentally, in sending such a summary in, also be sure to give credit to the magazine from which it is taken. Ye Editor is also handicapped in that he is not a close student or a variety hunter himself, in fact, doesn't know beans about Canadian stamps generally, especially those of the 19th century. We need an article on the air mail stamps and flights of Canada, including the routes which used the semi-official flights. We need articles on cancellations which have come to light since the publication of Jarrett's B.N.A. book. What is there new in railroad cancellations? Who knows about the pacquebot cancellations of Canadian Ports? What is there new in revenue stamps of the Dominion or the Provinces. The point of all this is that you will be fed on a diet of advertising slogans and precancels if we can't get some associate editors.

The Christmas Number of "Stamp Collecting" contained as a supplement the pamphlet by W. E. Fynden entitled "Stamp Collecting for Profit". Some of the paragraph headings were: "Philatelic Deadheads", "Gilt-Edged", "Cut Your Coat", "Numbers", "To Err is Human", "A La Mode", "Philately's Favorites", "Outsiders", etc. After stating in one paragraph that stamps are always most popular in the country of origin, he adds that Canada is the Universal First in demand. Most dealers handle "Stamp Collecting" or this Christmas number can be obtained from the publisher, Stamp Collecting Ltd., 8 Buckingham St., Strand, London, W.C.2.

The Editor of the "Canada Corner" has lately published the reply by the Department to his enquiry for the names of the artisans who have designed and engraved certain Canadian stamps. It is to the effect that the contractors for the manufacture of Canadian Postage stamps object to releasing the names of their designers and engravers and the Department does not see any reason to insist on the manufacturers releasing this information. He therefore concludes it is futile at this time for any collector to hope to include this in the write-up of his collection.

It has been officially announced that the visit of the King and Queen will be commemorated by the issuing of three stamps. The 1¢ will portray the Royal Princesses, the 2¢ the National War Memorial and the 5¢ the King and Queen.

The German Catalogue (Michel) has listed 52 different values of Czechoslovakia stamps overprinted at the time of the Sudeten occupation by Germany. They were issued officially at 24 different Post Offices. The numbers of each stamp overprinted are listed under New Issues in "Stamps", issue of Jan. 14th.

Our November Bulletin reprinted information in our Library on the 1897 Jubilees which was at variance with information in the Jarrett Handbook. Our Member, Alfred E. Lichtenstein, since then has listed the Plate Nos. as follows: ½¢ #9; 1¢ #5,6,15,16; 2¢ #7, 8; 3¢ #1,2,3,4,11,12,13,14,28,29; 5¢ #10; 6¢ #17; 8¢ #20; 10¢ #19; 15¢ #18; 20¢ #21; 50¢ #23; \$1.00 #27; \$2.00 #26; \$3.00 #24; \$4.00 #22; \$5.00 #25. The article in our Library was from a British source. You will note that all plate numbers for the higher values were wrong. In regard to Plate Nos. 30 and 31, as listed by Jarrett, we quote the following from a letter from the Philatelic Branch of recent date: "With respect to plate numbers 30 and 31 for the 3¢ denomination, I may say that the records of this department as well as of the manufacturers, do not show any such plates to have been made. The original certificate of the destruction of the dies and plates for this issue shows that three newspapermen were present. One of these men subsequently wrote up the incident in ----- and in so doing listed plate numbers 30 and 31 as having been destroyed. There is no official basis for including these numbers and the story has given rise to a great deal of misunderstanding among philatelists".