

C. P. S. BULLETIN

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OTTAWA TO HANDLE FIRST DAY COVERS

The Post Office has informed the press that they are resuming the servicing of First-Day Covers for stamp collectors, a practice dropped some months ago.

An official said the service was cancelled because of the very considerable cost and work it entailed.

It is being resumed to meet the great demand of philatelists, but, to help cover expenses, charges of five cents on ordinary first-day covers and ten cents on special-delivery covers will be made.

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Halifax has felt that their Joseph Howe of the Chronical should be portrayed on the recent Canadian commemorative as he battled to establish responsible government in the days before 1848. A post office official said that Howe was only one of many who took an active part in the fight for responsible government. The department felt there were far too many fine distinctions to say that any one of these persons was the true "Father" of responsible government. "This is the year in which the 100th anniversary of the achievement of responsible government is marked," he said. "We are trying to commemorate an event, not the respective merits of the people involved. We thought it would be appropriate to picture the sovereigns reigning then and now."

A new 5c Postage Due stamp of the current style was issued on August 11th, 1948.

The 1c Green (Scott-217) was sold out at Ottawa on Sept. 14th.

1949 CONVENTION IN MONTREAL

Convention chairman for next year, C. Woodhead, reports that after receiving and investigating several requests to have next convention, that it has been decided that in line with the policy adopted of shifting about the country from year to year, it has been found most desirable to accept the invitation of the Westmount Stamp Club to come to Montreal next spring. The dates have been agreed on as April 20-21-22-23, 1949. Already Cyril states that he has three reservations on hand, and what's more my wife wants to know why we can't all fly down together.

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It has been announced at Ottawa that 25,000,000 copies of the 4c Citizen stamp were issued.

The recent Princess Elizabeth stamp from Australia was on watermarked paper. It has now appeared on paper that is unwatermarked.

New Zealand Health Stamps for 1948 issued Oct. 1st show a lad sunbathing in a window looking out at other children at play outside. The 1d. plus ½d. is green and blue while the 2d. plus 1d. is red and brown. These stamps will be withdrawn from sale on Jan. 31st, 1949.

British Honduras will issue a set of six bi-colored stamps to commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the Battle of St. George's Cay.

Jugoslavia has issued a stamp for Lawrenz Kosir whom they claim as the creator of the idea of the first postage stamp in 1836.

Between Ourselves

Members may use this column for personal ads at 2c per word, payable in advance.

This space will be available to members only as hitherto and it is hoped you will make frequent use of it to your mutual advantage. Copy of course must be on hand for the next issue by Dec. 15th.

Any Affiliated Club wishing to carry regular notices in this column may do so at the same rates

Coming Events

A Get-Together Party in Waterloo is planned by The Grand River Valley Stamp Club as Host to The Grand River Valley Philatelic Association on Saturday, Nov. 6th, at 32 King St. S., in Waterloo, Ont. The club exhibition will open at 2.30 p.m. and include a bourse, followed by a Dinner at 6.00 p.m. Kitchener were host to the association the last time, three years ago, and they hope to outdo themselves and all succeeding annual affairs since. Each club take their turn so this year all will be gathering at the Oddfellows Hall in Waterloo.

The North Toronto Stamp Club are among those forced to find new quarters and will now meet 2nd and 4th Thursdays in the Legion Hall, 26 Roselawn Ave.

The Fifth Annual Banquet of the Ford Employees Stamp Club, will take place on Friday evening, Nov. 12th, at the Dominion House, Windsor.

The Canadian Acme Screw and Gear Co. Stamp Club's First Annual Exhibition is planned for Feb. 12th, 1949.

The Toronto District Unit of the C.P.S. have held regular meetings all summer. Some of these have been at a disadvantage due to their leased quarters not yet having been completely renovated. It was expected that they would be in the new room at 22 College St. for the October meeting but fully expect now to have lots of room in November. Open to all collectors in the district it is pleasing to see an increasing turnout. There is always a successful auction and usually an interesting speaker. The circuit books alone are worth coming down to see. So why not plan to attend the T.D.U. on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 8 p.m.

Affiliated Club News

The Brantford Stamp Club recently marked their 10th Birthday as a club. Close to 100 guests attended including Mr. and Mrs. Brisley, from Bloomingdale, Mich., also Mr. and Mrs. McCabe, and C.P.S. Hon.-Vice-Pres. Cyril Woodhead. An exhibition, auction and bourse was held, followed by a Dinner, The Guest Speaker was Mr. Alex. Livingstone, of Detroit. Dealing briefly with stamps the speaker warned the collectors present that specialization in collecting can be carried to the extreme, is dangerous and leads the collector away from the real essence of the hobby. "We should always bear in mind the broader aspects of collecting in order to keep in touch with the entire field," he said. Miss Mae Hanselman was re-elected for a third term as club president.

The Saskatoon Stamp Club Elections again found R. Carter as President; Vice-Pres., is Chas. Day, while Walter R. Robinson carries on his good work as Secretary. The club Librarian is Chub Leaman, and the Program Director is Mark Fennel. Other officers are: Membership chairman, J. Bunker; Exhibition chairman, Emil Crystal; Advisory committee chairman, Mr Hambleton, sr.; Auctioneer, Ralph Carter, and asst' auctioneer, Bill Sach.

The September meeting of the T.D.U. saw the Hon. President of the C. P.S. in the chair for the installation of officers. President Bert L. Baulch officiated with Herb Buckland assuming the office of T.D.U. President again for the coming season.

The Oakville Philatelic Society never missed a meeting all summer. The ladies are now buying stamps on their own with several sideline collections being formed of Stamps showing Maps, Horses, Flowers, etc. A lunch is enjoyed at every meeting. Last month the Acme Screw and Gear Club paid a visit to Oakville for an enjoyable evening.

The Collection of the late Dr. W. H. Robertson was sold by auction at the West Toronto Club at their meetings on Oct. 5th and 19th, in their new club rooms in the Bathurst United church. Both sales were quite successful and choice material was obtained by the successful bidders.

CANADIAN REVALUED IN 1949 CATALOGUE

With the new 1949 issue of Scott's "Standard Postage Stamp Catalog" now available, it is interesting to note some of the revisions affecting Canadian issues as compared with the previous addition. Generally speaking there a very few changes of importance, but here are the highlights for the benefit of our members who have not yet had the opportunity to check the new catalog.

The 1851-5 "pence" issues are unchanged with the exception of the 5 pence variety No. 5d, which has increased to \$700.00 unused and \$150.00 used. The 1855-7 "pence" issues show marked increases for both unused and used, while the wove paper varieties of 1858-59 remain unchanged.

The 1859 "cents" issue and the 2 cents rose of 1864 all show increases in value indicating that these are becoming increasingly more difficult to obtain in good condition.

Very little change is noted in the 1868 "large cents" issue, but the perforation varieties and the Ottawa printings of the "small cents" have been revalued. The 1897 Jubilees have been upped slightly, differences being most apparent in the used high values The Maple Leaf and Numerals, Penny Postage and the Edward issues show very little change except in the high values.

Changes to the latter issues show steady gains in the higher values. The 2c coil, No. 133, has been corrected and is now at \$4.50 mint and used. The 50c Bluenose now catalogs at \$5.00 and the \$1.00 Parliament at \$12.50 mint. The 50c Grande Pre unused has been increased from \$7.50 to \$10.00.

Air Post issues remain steady, although the 17c "error" of 1946 dropped from \$1.00 to 75c mint or used. Special Delivery and Postage Due issues are practically the same as last year, but the 8c Registered has been increased to \$17.50 mint and used.

—Norman F. Clark.

At the 62nd Annual A.P.S. Convention at Denver, 409 guests registered from 32 states as well as Canada and Bermuda.

The 63rd A.P.S. Convention is slated for Boston, Aug. 15-19, 1949; the 64th is to be in Washington, D.C., in 1950. Toronto, Ontario, is to be honored with the 65th. Annual A.P.S. Convention in 1951, while Canada is celebrating the 100th anniversary of the issuance of its first postage stamps.

OUR AFFILIATED SOCIETIES

In our Circular Letter to all members and in recent issues of Popular Stamps we have given notice that we are adopting a more advanced policy in our arrangements for affiliation with the many local stamp clubs across the country. This new policy will become operative as of April 1st next spring.

The affiliation of a local club requires the annual registration of each club giving particulars of names and addresses of the Officers, the Place where the club conducts its meetings and the Time of the meetings. Special Registration Forms are supplied by the Executive Secretary of this Society.

The local club will pay to the society an annual registration fee on April 1st each year at either of the following rates:

Club having less than 25 members on its roster shall pay \$3.00 annually.

Clubs having more than 25 members on its roster shall pay \$5.00 annually.

All local clubs in order to receive the status of affiliation must have at least five C.P.S. members on its roster.

WHAT WE PROPOSE TO DO—

In lieu of the annual fee, we will provide for full registration of each club in the Club Listing of our Annual Membership Directory at no further charge.

A special committee is being established to co-operate with the local clubs and to assist them in every way possible.

We will endeavour to do everything possible, in a general way, towards promoting the hobby in all parts of the country.

REGISTER NOW — All clubs now affiliated are asked to complete a copy of the registration form now in order that we can get our plans under way, however no fees are required at the present time. The regular annual registration is to be made on or about April 1st next year.

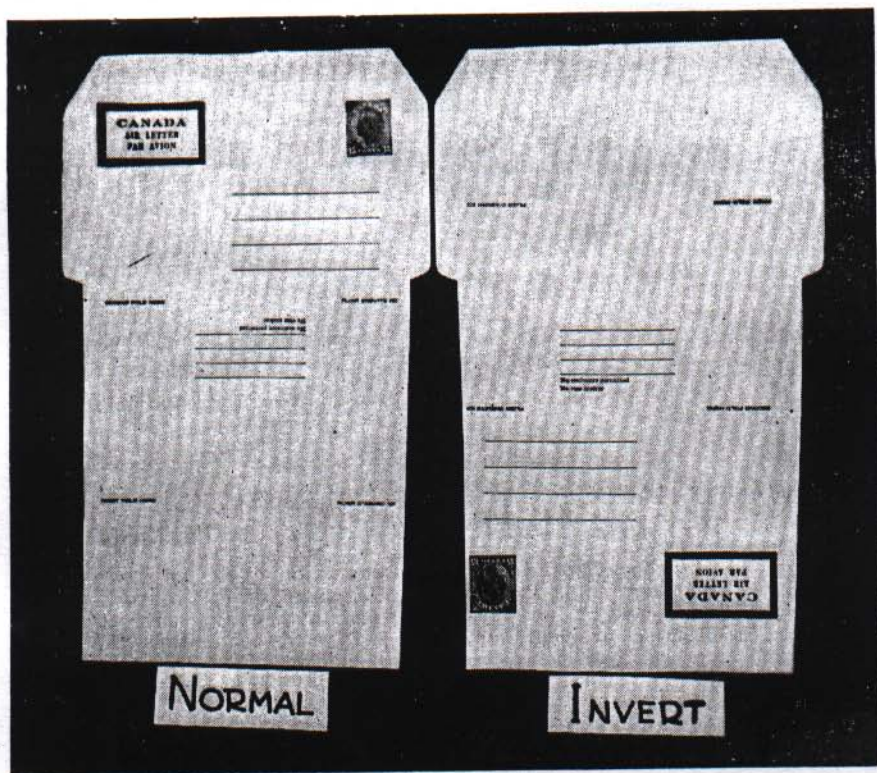
New Affiliations may register now without fee until April 1st next year.

As members of local clubs you are requested to see that your own club affiliates with the National Society.

There is a National Job to be done.

Two New Clubs already have sent in their requests for affiliation from Western Canada. —P. J. McC.

When members of the Society are travelling would they notify the Secretary so that arrangements could be made for them to visit local in their itinerary.



CANADIAN ERROR

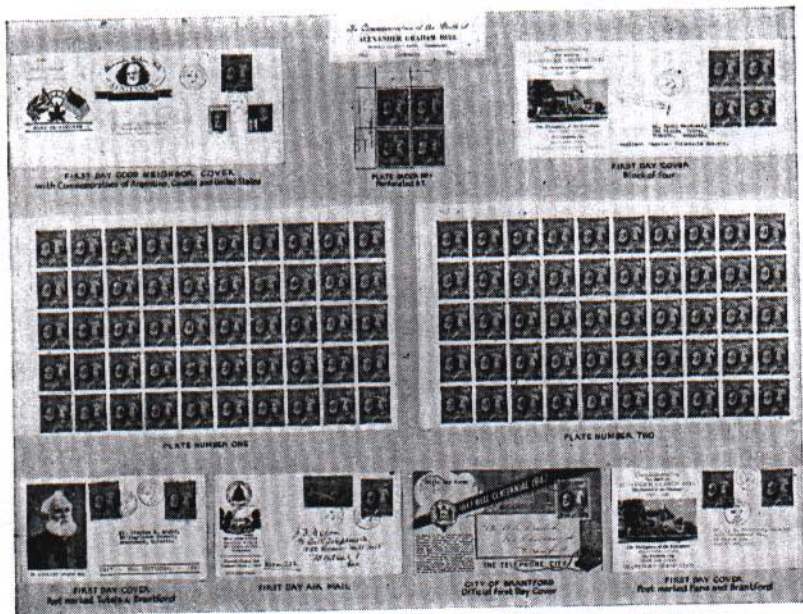
We are indebted to Mr. C. G. B. Stuart, 89 Forest Hill Road, Toronto, for a photo showing the new Canadian Letter Sheets reproduced here. It should be of interest to Bulletin readers as the way it is printed it would be impossible to fold for mailing. He states that he purchased a full packet of 100 sheets and only the top one was normal. Since Canada is not prone to the issuance of such errors it may prove of some value, as this is the first such error to be recorded. If any other member is interested Mr. Stuart would be pleased to receive an offer for one or all of the lot.

The 100th issue of Popular Stamps was indeed worthy of the effort it necessarily entailed. It would be nice if such issues could roll around more often.

The Eleuthern Commemorative set which was printed in Canada for the Bahamas was to have been put on sale in London by the C.A. on Oct. 11.

GRAND DONATION AUCTION

As previously announced the C.P.S. is holding a Grand Donation Auction, the proceeds from which are to be used towards stabilizing the financial position of the society. There have been numerous things which your Directors would have liked to do on your behalf but for which funds were not sufficient. With a little nest egg to draw on the Directors have several plans to present in the near future. If you have enjoyed and appreciated the services which your National Society is presently rendering why not show that appreciation by digging out some of your extra material and sending it along to the President, Bert L. Baulch, 162 Chatham St., Brantford, Ont. A quite a few choice items are already on hand but we are not going to advertise them just yet. Remember that the cost of running this society like the cost of living is away beyond what it used to be and yet the society is still collecting the same fees. Your help in the above auction will not increase your cost of enjoying your hobby, sit down and see what you can send "Bert!"



Display Frame Presented to the Bell Homestead by the Canadian Philatelic Society.

A. G. BELL DISPLAYS

We are indebted to Mr. Joe F. Melvin of the Bell Telephone Co. of Canada in Montreal for the use of the two cuts reproduced on these pages. They originally appeared in the "Blue Bell" with one of those articles Joe Melvin frequently contributes on Philately. Maybe in a future issue he will favor the Bulletin with some of his writings. Herewith we steal in part from his recent account on Centennial Stamp Displays.

The Bell Homestead at Brantford, scene of so many historic events since Professor Alexander Melville Bell brought his family, which included the noted Alexander Graham Bell, to live there in 1870, saw yet another historically significant ceremony on the occasion of the annual Convention of the Canadian Philatelic Society. It was the presentation to the City of Brantford and the Bell Homestead of a frame of Bell Commemorative Stamps and Covers.

Suitably mounted and labelled, it will hang prominently in the Homestead for all to see — another unit in a collection of telephone models, parts and documents contained in this museum.

The frame included: A block of Centennial Stamps perforated with the initials "B.T." as used on company mail; mint sheets from each of the two plates; a first-day good-

neighbor cover with commemoratives picturing A. G. Bell, from Argentine, U.S.A., and Canada; a first-day cover marked Tutela (the actual location of the homestead) and Brantford; an airmail first-day cover presented by J. F. Melvin, C.P.S., member on the Montreal Bell Staff, a city of Brantford first-day cover, and a first-day cover postmarked at both Paris and Brantford which were the terminals of the first long distance experiment.

The frame was presented by Messrs. Woodhead and Baulch in the presence of many leading Brantfordites and Bell Officials.

A similar frame has been made up by J. H. Crocker, curator of the Jeffrey Collection as one of some 75 panels in the noted exhibition of the University of Western Ontario, at London.

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The first of the Royal Wedding sets was that of Turks and Caicos Islands.

The 1d. is brown while the 10sh. is purple. They were placed on sale Sept. 13th. The Silver Wedding issue of British Honduras were released on Oct. 1st.

Great Britain has passed the experimental stage of Helicopter Mail Delivery and has now tried night delivery. British European airways fly regular routes making many deliveries at small airfields not suitable for the landing of ordinary aircraft.

S. P. A. CONVENTION

Detroit, Mich., Sept. 17, 18 and 19

by Norman Clark

The 54th annual convention, bourse and exhibition of the Society of Philatelic Americans was held in the Detroit-Leland Hotel, Detroit, Michigan, from Friday, Sept. 17th to Sunday, Sept. 19th, inclusive.

Mr. Hil. F. Best, of Gross Point, Mich., and incidentally a member of the Canadian Philatelic Society, was elected President of the S.P.A., succeeding Mr. Vincent Domanski, and presided at the Convention Banquet on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Colonel S. L. A. Marshall, editorial writer and military critic of the Detroit News was guest speaker and gave an interesting and informative account of some of his experience and observations during World War II in his capacity as U.S. Army Historian in the European and Central Pacific theatres.

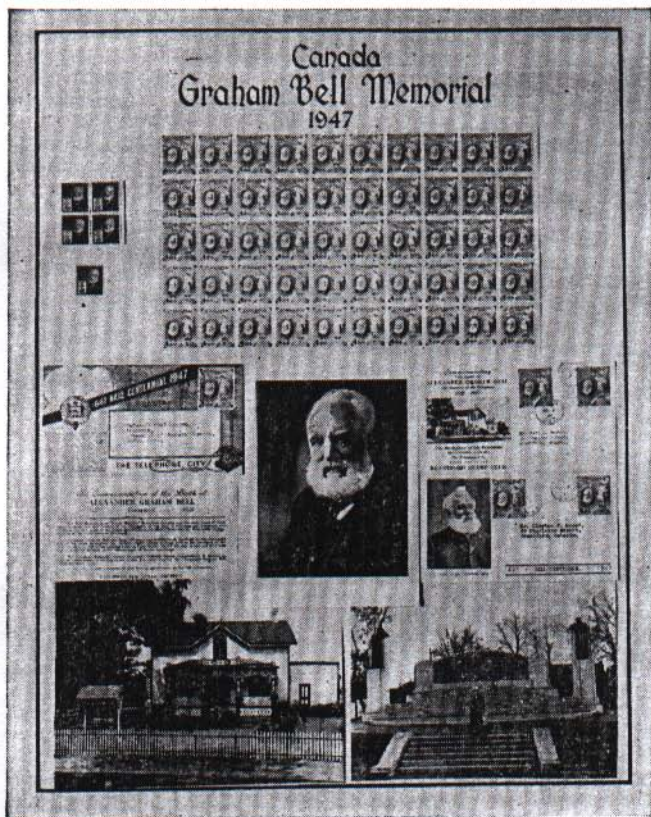
Perhaps the most outstanding feature of the convention was the huge

Exhibition, where over 300 frames were on display. Trophies and awards were presented to the winners at the banquet. Dr. Clarence Hennan, of Chicago, was Chairman of the Board Judges, and Mr. Les. Davenport, of Toronto, was also one of the judges. The Grand Award for the Best Exhibit in the show went to Mr. Edwin E. Pulls, for his display of Territorial and Express Covers. Mr. Leo. Goldman, C.P.S. member from Windsor, was presented with Chicago Philatelic Society Research Award for his display of Canadian varieties.

In the absence of Mr. Bert L. Bauhch, President, the Canadian Philatelic Society was represented by Director Norman Clark, of Windsor.

Affiliated Clubs

We are particularly anxious at this time that the President or Secretary of every club affiliated with us should write to our Executive Secretary for special information regarding our plans that will go into operation on April 1st next.



Frame from the Jeffrey Collection at the University of Western Ontario.

"P" FOR PHILATELY PINS

LETTER FROM MEMBER

The Canadian Philatelic Society has been given sole rights for the distribution of the new Stamp Collectors identification badge in Canada.



The design for this badge was originated by the Ford Employees stamp Club of Windsor and the manufacturer. Promotion of a lapel pin with this design is being handled by a group of collectors know as "Philatelic Boosters".

The overall size of the pin is $\frac{3}{8}$ " x $\frac{3}{8}$ ". It has a general background of gold, while the lettering in the centre is red surrounded by a circular band in blue, both of these colors being in enamel. In the centre is a letter "P" in Old English, while in the circular band is the word "Philately". The border of the pin has indentations representing perforations.

This design is international in scope, having nothing about it that represents any particular country or type of collecting.

The "Philatelic Boosters" believe an emblem to identify Stamp Collectors is a necessity. One that would be worn by all collectors regardless of clubs, societies or nationalities. When this design is accepted by all collectors and attains the universal use as does the Masonic emblem, or Rotary, etc., then it will have attained its real purpose.

To make it possible for all collectors to have one, the pins are being sold at cost plus a small handling charge. It is hoped that all collectors will wear one and promote the idea with fellow collectors.

The pins are obtainable from the C.P.S. by writing to Phil. McCabe at 40 Stanley Ave., Mimico, Ont. The pins are available in screw type for men, a brooch type for the ladies, and little larger style for juniors.

The price of the pins is 50c plus a handling charge of 10c; or 25c for the junior style.

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Considerable credit is due to K. Bileski for his "Philatelic Pathways". A lot of work went into the presentation of such a wealth of interesting and valuable material. All collectors should have a copy, and in the offing, the "Red River Rambler" will be eagerly awaited.

Dear Mr. McCabe:

I have this date received the special circular letter and I want to thank you for it. I also want to express my satisfaction and pleasure of being a members of the C.P.S., and when I see the services provided I am more than pleased. If there is anything I can do to further the Society, I want you to call on me.

I am a member of the — — Stamp Club and this winter I shall attempt to secure new members for the C.P.S. I am willing to donate to the Grand Donation Auction and I will send my donation to Mr. Bert Baulch whom I have had the pleasure of meeting.

I was pleased to receive the Official Post Office form for purchasing mint stamps and will use it.

Sincerely yours,

Frank L. Sykes,

Member No. 4495.

In connection with the 100th Anniversary of the opening of the first railway span between the U.S.A. and Canada, traffic was halted for the first time in the history of the Whirlpool Rapids bridge. Drawn on either side were New York State Troopers and R.C.M.P. officers, while a ribbon, brought from either shore by "Uncle Sam and Jack Canuck" dressed in authentic costumes, was tied by Premier Drew of Ontario and Lt. Gov. Handley, of New York, to cement the International Goodwill and Friendship. A plaque was unveiled to commemorate the anniversary. Earlier Joseph Lawlor, 3rd Asst-Postmaster-General sold the first of the new 3c U.S.A. stamps commemorating "A Century of Friendship", picturing this bridge.

The "Weekly Stamp Collecting" states that despite the opposition of the habitual grumblers, a set of Commemorative Stamps for use in the British Commonwealth of Nations commemorating the 75th Anniversary of the Universal Postal Union is now in an advanced state of preparation.

The above coming hard on the heel of the much criticised Silver Wedding Issue has come as a complete surprise to us, since only recently we were informed "that the Secretary of State for the Colonies preferred to confine the issuance of all Commemoratives to Centenaries only". There must have been a complete change of policy somewhere. (Trinidad Phil. Soc.).

New Members - - -

Applications received since the last issue of the Bulletin up to Aug.

15th were listed in the Addenda of the Year Book. We are also glad to welcome the following new members to the Canadian Philatelic Society:—

- 4755 El-Ammar, Saleam Iwad, Ammar, Basrah, Iraq; Sponsored by H. Buckland.
4756 Massie, James G., 529 Inspector St., Montreal, Que.; by P. J. McCabe.
4757 Williams, James T., Poland, Manitoba; by W. H. Talbot.
4758 Ridings, James A., 1920 Post St., San Francisco, Cal.; Can; by J. Ethier.
4759 Wightman, C. C., 507 North Jackson St., Albany, Georgia; BNA, USA; by P. J. McCabe.
4760 Steaves, Mrs. W. A., Salisbury Road, Moncton, N.B.; by P. J. McCabe.
4761 Moravetz, Frank, 4557 Sherbrooke St. W., Montreal, Que.; by P. J. McCabe.
4762 Lyons, Jimmie, 309 First National Bank Bldg., San Jose 15, Cal.; by P. J. McCabe.
4763 Moore, J. Clifford, 1715 Chambers St., Victoria, B.C.; by R. M. Angus.
4764 Dworkin, M., 7 Westover Hill Road, Toronto 10, Ont.; by P. J. McCabe.
4765 Henshaw, Geo. H., 2243 Grand Blvd., Montreal 28, Que.; by P. J. McCabe.
4766 Wiggs, H. Ross, The Linton, 1509 Sherbrooke St. W., Montreal, Que.; by P. J. McCabe.
4767 Elkins, A.M., 337 St. James St., Stamford Centre, Ont.; by P. J. McCabe.
4768 MacArthur, Neil, 133 Mavety St., Toronto, Ont.; BC; by A. W. Blakeley.
4769 Williams, John E., 20 Eversfield Road, Toronto, Ont.; by BNA, Holl, Belg; by P. J. McCabe.
4770 Kitson, G. L., Baie Comeau, Quebec; by P. J. McCabe.
4771 Rogers, J. V., 8 Ritchie Ave., Trail, B.C.; BNA, Australasia; by Geo. Stripp.
4772 Cooper, Fred R., 2084 7th Ave., Trail, B.C.; USA, Can, BC; by Geo. Stripp.
4773 Heaps, John M., 13 Forrest Drive, Trail, B.C.; Can, BC; by Geo. Stripp.
4774 Edwards, Chess, Box 1521, Rossland, B.C.; BNA; by Geo. Stripp.
4775 Toms, L. G., 211 Kootenay Ave., Trail, B.C.; GB, BC; by Geo. Stripp.
4776 Smith, R. J., Y.M.C.A., Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.; Can; by B. L. Baulch.
4777 Anthony, Rev. W. R., R.R. No. 2, Falmouth, Hants County, N.S.; by P. J. McCabe.
4778 Wilson, J. A., Box 40, Bass River, N.S.; by P. J. McCabe.
4779 Warren, Herbert H., 922 Victoria Square, Montreal 1, Que.; Can, BC, Geo VI; by R. M. Watson.
1543 Studd, Brig. M. A., is now Whitewalls, Sunninghill, Berks, England.
4642 Stait, Sqdn. Ldr. L. C., is now at 179 5th Ave., in St. Thomas, Ont.
3652 Cohen, Orville, is now at 569 Euclid Ave., Toronto, Ont.
3080 Greene, V. C., is now at 45 Dunvegan Road, Toronto 12, Ont.
4669 Herring, R. T., of Oakville, is now at 14 Atlantic Ave., Toronto, Ont.
3468 Bairstow, Harold, of Mimico, is now at 1332 Lakeshore Rd., Long Branch, Ont.
4732 Blackmore, Frank, is now at 59 Lawlor Ave., Toronto, Ont.
3653 Gladish, Wm., is now at 79 Belmont Ave., Ottawa, Ont.
3771 Slater, W., of Prince Rupert, is now at 443 Watfield Ave., Nanaimo, B.C.
4224 Woodlands, W. E., of Timmins, is now at 1094 Lawson Ave., Kelowna, B.C.
4620 Wright, Don, of Saskatoon, is now SL 524 Pte. D. V. Wright, 26 C.O.D. S/D 25 C.O.D., Longue Point, Montreal, Que.

WHAT A CONTRAST

Over 10,000 members and bankroll that would choke 100,000 horses. That is the position of the leading Philatelic Society in our neighboring country. You know our own story.

Are you going to assist us to be a strong national philatelic society and place us in a position to help you and all other collectors of Canadiana to receive the fullest benefits of their memberships?

You can do your part by encouraging your friends to join the Canadian Philatelic Society, and by having your local Stamp Collectors Club affiliate with our National Society. In a very special way you can render a great service by making a donation of stamps or philatelic accessories to our Grand Donation Auction which is fully explained in this Bulletin. Federation of Can. Stamp Clubs

Is your local Stamp Club affiliated with the Canadian Philatelic Society? If not please write to us and we will do the necessary.

Executive Secretary.

Jamaica ordered a change of color for their 3d. in September to a green vignett, and blue border.

The Poultry Industry Stamp from the U.S.A. has started a hunt for poultry on stamps. Ed. Al Burns has found two cocks on a vase shown on a Greek stamp (Scott's type A5). Others listed in Chambers Stamp Journal are: Bulgaria, type A144; and France, type A138. (Japanese type A42 has proven to be a dove rather than a hen). To these I would like to add one from Syria of 1944. Also Philippines, 1942, (Gibbons J5). This last pictures Agriculture Produce and shows a number of chickens in the foreground. (W.D.C.).

Those members who received a copy of the special issue of Weekly Philatelic Gossip dedicated to British North America which meant Canada in particular, were indeed pleased with the wealth of material encompassed in the numerous articles dealing with the many phases of collecting Canadiana. We would like to see such issues of not only our own country, but also various British Colonies and other collectable groups, planned to come at regular intervals. No one would want to miss reading such a fine publication as the sample we've seen. Everyone of your contributors is also to be congratulated on his efforts.