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DIRECTORS MAKE NEW APPOINTMENTS

Following the resignation of our former Executive Secretary, Mr. P.J. McCabe, as announced in the last News Letter, your Directors have held weekly meetings to consider changes and appointments designed to work to the benefit of the Society and enable it to function in a more efficient manner. They are happy, therefore, to announce the following changes and appointments to take effect at once and remain so until the next Annual Meeting of the Society.

For correspondence purposes, the Headquarters of the Society is now located at 15 Richmond St. East, Toronto. Correspondence on any subject whatsoever (except circuit books, etc. belonging to the Sales Dept., which should continue to go to Cyril Woodhead, at 123 Albertus Ave., Toronto 12) if sent to the Richmond Street address, will be forwarded promptly to the proper department.

NEW SECRETARIES

MR. BERT BAULCH, active in the Society for some years, and a Past President, has consented to act as Executive Secretary for the balance of the year. Well known to our membership, and in philatelic circles in Canada and U. S. he is a man of considerable philatelic experience, and an important official of the Easter Seal Campaign mentioned elsewhere in this issue. While Phil McCabe's shoes will be hard to fill, we know the Society can expect and will receive adequate service from Mr. Baulch in this important office.

Arrangements are virtually completed for the appointment of a Membership Secretary, whose responsibility will be to keep the membership roll up to date and seek new members and the renewal of present memberships. This work, combined with that of Executive Secretary, has proved too much for one man to handle, resulting in delays in acknowledging applications or renewals and resulting disappointment. We know the new appointment soon to be announced will overcome these difficulties and make for more effective operation.

THE "NEWS-LETTER" EDITOR

This is the first issue of the NEWS LETTER to be issued under the official editorship of MR. ROY PENNELL, whose appointment to the post was ratified at a recent meeting of the Directors. Working under Phil McCabe, MR. PENNELL has been active in its production since the first issue, but now takes complete charge of it for the balance of the Society's Year. Operating his own Direct Mail Advertising Business in Toronto, Mr. Pennell is well versed and experienced in the requirements and production of such a paper as our News Letter. Give him your support also.

"PHILATELIST" EDITOR

Commencing immediately, THE CANADIAN PHILATELIST will be published from Toronto. Much disappointment has been expressed because of delays in issuing the second quarterly number, but GOOD NEWS is now forthcoming.

The New Editor of THE CANADIAN PHILATELIST is none other than Mr. Doug. Patrick, well known to philatelists, young and old, as the originator and producer of the CBC Stamp Club of the Air (National Network, Saturdays 12.30 noon).

DOUG PATRICK is a member of the Royal Philatelic Society, and brings to the C.P.S. a wide knowledge and experience in philatelic matters. His CBC Stamp Club at last report had some 7500 members and a vast host of listeners from coast to coast, and in appointing Mr. Patrick as editor of our magazine, we secure one who is in the closest possible touch with the stamp world. Doug. has undertaken to get early action on the next issue of the CANADIAN PHILATELIST and we anticipate big things for it under his guidance. We bespeak for him the support and patience of the entire membership.

WE ASKED FOR IT - AND WE GOT IT

In the first issue of the News Letter last June, we asked members to write in and tell us what they thought of the new monthly publication. During the summer a few letters were received and practically all of them had something favourable to say about the first issue. Summer intervened and the second issue came out dated September 1st. A few more members gave us an O.K. - but the vast majority said NOTHING. Then the former editor went new-house hunting and the resulting moving operations meant three months slipped by and no News Letter went out.

Then it quickly developed that all those strong, silent members did like the News Letter. They wrote - they phoned - and said - "What's going on here?" "Where's our News Letter?" "Thought it was to come out every month?" "Smarten up" - and a lot more of it.

Then when the Jan. 15th News Letter made its appearance they wrote and said: "It is about time." "That's better - keep it coming" - but they did like it.

So now, as you found out on the front page - The News Letter has its own Editor now and it will be his sole C.P.S. duty to get all the philatelic news gathered together and put into printed form to make up your monthly News Letter.

He hereby resolves - "that come the 15th of each month he will despatch to you by His Majesty's Mail an easily-read, carefully edited copy of the C.P.S. News Letter, and that he will cause it to be packed with as much helpful information about the C.P.S., its affiliated clubs, Capex, New Issue information, news of the stamp world - and everything else philatelic that can be crammed into its columns."

Not only that, but he wants you to write all over again and tell him just what type of material you'd like to see in it. Send news of philatelic doings in your club or district - ask us philatelic questions - if we don't know the answer we'll look for someone that does - send us ideas for new features that you'd like to see in its columns

Your Editor's going to do his best to get out a good News Letter - and to get it to you regularly. If you like what he puts in it - say so. If you don't like it, you can fix that too. Send us something else to fill its columns. Let's get together on this and make the C.P.S. News Letter a publication of real value to every member.

BUY EASTER SEALS

In a few days now the annual Easter Seal Campaign gets under way for 1951, and hundreds of crippled children throughout Canada are praying that Canadians will support it to the limit, for with the funds it provides many of them will get medical care and comforts they might not otherwise obtain. What better reason could anyone want for supporting this year's Easter Seal Campaign.

It has a special appeal to philatelists, too, because the Easter Seal Campaign is a 'stamp' campaign - it derives its funds from the sale of those attractive stamps which it urges everyone to affix to the back of all mail during the campaign.

Many stamp collectors also specialize in collecting stamp seals of this type and from year to year they make an interesting and colorful collection. Catering to these specialists, Easter Seal Headquarters have provided perforated and unperforated sheets and blocks, as well as bilingual stamps both of this and of previous years. A circular giving you details of this offer and showing this year's seal is enclosed with this News Letter.

The Campaign runs this year from Feb. 25 to March 25 and over 200 million seals will be distributed, chiefly through the support of Service Clubs country-wide.

C.P.S. members have been strong supporters of the Easter Seal Campaign in past years and will no doubt rally again to the support of this worthy cause. Send your orders for the seals you can use to the Canadian Council for Crippled Children, 444 Church Street, Toronto, Ont.

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DID YOU GET THEM?

You have to move fast these days to catch some of our Colonial Commemoratives ere they go off issue. We hear that some of the ones we consider pretty recent issues are already on the obsolete list, such as Gibraltar Constitutions, St. Kitts Island Anguilla overprints, Malta Princess and Tonga Queens. Did you get yours yet? Better move fast.

On the St. Kitts stamps it might be a good idea to keep your eyes open for the reported "High N" overprint on some of the lower values. Specialists are already classifying it in the "error" class. Another error has been reported on the 50¢ value of the recent Borneo Set which was on sale for only one and a half days on the Island.

THE C.P.S. ANNUAL MEETING

That annual event that our members enjoy so much - the Annual C.P.S. meeting has brought in a few enquiries lately. The boys who like to get away for a 'stamp' weekend have been asking for information as to its date and location this year.

Your Directors have considered carefully what action to take on this event for 1951 and in accordance with Article 10 of the C.P.S. Constitution have decided that it would be advantageous to stage it in conjunction with the great CAPEX Exhibition being held in Toronto later in the year. So many members have already indicated their intention of coming to Toronto to CAPEX, that it was felt that many of them would be unable to make two such trips in the one year. If our Annual were held at the usual time in any other location than Toronto it might be poorly attended, to the detriment of our Society, whereas if it is held at the same time as the CAPEX Exhibition, the Society will receive a new lift and come to the attention of many philatelists who might not otherwise be able to attend our Annual. The exact date and other details will be announced shortly. Watch for them.

ABOUT THE NEW ISSUES

We don't profess to give you complete information on all the new stamps here and forthcoming. After all we've only four pages and some of this must be given over to C.P.S. and club news. But we will steal a little space to tell you that we've heard of a few new ones which are either already here or are on the way. Here's just a few new issues to watch for:

ADEN PENCE ISSUE; B.W.I. COLLEGE (14 sets - due Feb. 16th); BAHAMAS, new colors for 2d & 3d; DOMINICA AND GRENADA DECIMAL SETS; FIJI HEALTHS; BR. SOMALILAND PENCE ISSUE; 2 new PITCAIRNS - 4d & 8d.; New Sets of SEYCHELLES, including DUES.

Any money still left? Well, here's a couple more - ADEN STATES PENCE SET; a SUDAN COMMEMORATIVE SET with a face value of 23/- (ouch); a commemorative set for VIRGIN ISLANDS and a host of single stamps, new colors, changes of perms. and whatever else you collect.

Don't need to look at the same old ones every time you open your album, with all the new stuff that keeps coming in.

NEWS OF THE CLUBS

THE EDMONTON STAMP CLUB report excellent results from their recent meetings. They meet twice monthly in the Public Library, the first meeting of the month featuring an Auction of about 65 lots, and the second having a program of general interest to members. Recent meetings have discussed mounting and writing up of stamp displays; a night on Canadian stamps and other interesting features with members and guest speakers leading the discussions. The club has purchased extra frames for displaying stamps and album sheets and negotiations are under way for the purchase of an ultra-violet ray or quartz lamp for the detection of flaws in stamps. It is felt that this will be quite an asset to the members.

THE B.C. PHILATELIC SOCIETY have sent us a report of their Christmas Meeting which arrived one day too late for the last News Letter. On Dec. 21st they entertained members of the Royal City Stamp Club and the North Shore Club and was marked by an excellent attendance. Being a Christmas Party, business was dispensed with and some unusual entertainment was provided for members and guests. A stamp auction, conducted in lighter vein, consisted of donations to the Club Funds and realized about \$40. Movies of wild life in British Columbia (Ed.Note: I doubt if this is as bad as it sounds) were then shown and they were only interrupted by news that refreshments were ready to be served. The Club promises to keep us informed of doings on the West Coast.

THE NORTH TORONTO STAMP CLUB are in the thick of their preparations for the big event in their year - the Annual Exhibition and Dinner, which is scheduled for Saturday, March 17th. Few details are at hand as yet, but knowing this Club's reputation for such events, we recommend this date to all those who are within reach of Toronto.

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MEMBERSHIP FEES

Are you a member in good standing? Not unless your dues are up to date - and unfortunately, there are a number who have not yet sent in their dues for the current year. With a re-organization of the Society now well under way and improvements and new features started or being planned, you can't afford to miss out on them by neglecting your annual membership fee. If you are behind, send it to the Membership Secretary, at 15 Richmond E., Toronto right away

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

Memb. No.	NAME	Formerly of	Change to
4849	C. A. Kemp	Toronto	130 Forest Hill Rd., Toronto
4818	Dick Burns	Dearborn, Mich.	13502 Lenore Ave., Detroit 23, Mich.
	Frank W. Morton		3528 Vendome Ave., Montreal, Que.
4909	W. E. Belks	Toronto	1478 Cawthra Rd., Lakeview, Ont.
5234	George Chase	Toronto	78 Lawlor Ave., Toronto, Ont.
5261	Mrs. R. Chase	Toronto	78 Lawlor Ave., Toronto, Ont.

NOTE: Due to the change in Secretaries, no Membership Numbers have yet been assigned to the new applications received since the last issue. However, applications for membership have been received from the following, and their membership numbers are now being allotted and will be re-published in the next News Letter.

New Applications

F. L. Wilson	145 Quebec St.	Sherbrooke, Que.
W. C. Diment		Santaluta, Sask.
M. Park	Box 306	Temiskaming, Que.
Donald A. Young	214 Briar Hill Ave.	Toronto, Ont.
J. W. Houlding	639 Somerset Bldg.,	Winnipeg, Man.
R. M. Brophy	73 Highland Cres., R.R.2,	York Mills, Ont.
G. R. Hambleton	R. R. #1	Vineland, Ont.
R. S. Godfrey		Meaford, Ont.
S. C. Robertson	2 Park Terrace	Upper Montclair, N.J.
E. Braund		Huntsville, Ont.
Dr. James H. Miller	1084 Bloor St. W.	Toronto, Ont.
George H. Hartman	7311 Shisler St.	Philadelphia, Pa.

The Stratford Philatelic Society have applied for C.P.S. Affiliation.

As a result of C.P.S. advertising in Stamp Publications, a number of other enquiries have been received seeking information about the Society. These have been dealt with by the new Secretary, and we look forward to having these philatelists included in our membership list at an early date.

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WHY NOT WRITE A BOOK?

Every collector has at least one stamp about which they know nothing. Their friends can supply no information and there is no catalogue or any way of finding out its value. But it is a stamp, so we keep it and wonder what we have. Research in old magazines occasionally supplies the answer, but it is a long a tiresome job. How convenient it would be if someone would undertake to compile a volume on the unusual items in stamp collecting.

This volume would include such items as college stamps, locals, express, banquet souvenirs, liquor strips, Xmas and Easter Seals, fakes and forgeries, non-adhesive revenues, slogans cancellations, precancels, first day covers, stationery, semi-official meters and permits, etc.

It's a tremendous job for someone, but Oh what a help it would be to the folks who like to collect the special items, or who are stuck with one or two stamps which they simply cannot identify.

THE SALES DEPARTMENT

Thanks to all the members who wrote this Department following the appeal in the last "News Letter". Sales are approaching the \$1900.00 total now and moving along very well.

Who benefits from this Department? The chap who goes to the trouble of filling up books with his duplicate stamps - and the members who get the Sales Circuits and get reasonably priced stamps for their collections.

You get out of your membership exactly what you put into it and one "All-Time" problem of every club is to get a member to do something. Be a part of your club's activities and it is surprising how much more you will get out of your hobby.

We can use some nice Older Canada in pretty good shape? Have you any to dispose of? Also there's requests for O.H.M.S. books. They price high but they sell.