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1952**FIRST DETAILS OF THE ANNUAL CONVENTION**

Plans are now well under way for the next Annual Meeting and Convention of the Canadian Philatelic Society which will be held in the Public Library, London, Ontario, next April 17th, 18th and 19th, with the London Philatelic Society serving as hosts.

Early in January several members of the C.P.S. Board of Directors, went to London, and conferred with members of the London Committee, headed by Dr. . . Holmes. At this meeting many important matters were ironed out, and your Directors were delighted with the progress and initiative displayed already by the London Committee. Since many of the Committee have no previous experience with the staging of our previous Conventions, some time was spent in review of the experiences of the Windsor and Montreal Conventions for the benefit of the men who will have to take the responsibility this time. At the meeting plans for the Exhibition and the Auction were discussed, and the official announcement of the Committee on these plans is contained in this News Letter. Read them carefully and act on them promptly. The success of these two features is important to the success of the whole Convention.

Other features of the Convention are now under consideration in London, and details will no doubt appear in next month's News Letter. Such annual events as the Bourse, the Business Sessions of the Convention, and of course the Annual Banquet, will all be worth watching for. Other tentative suggestions, if it is possible to arrange them, will make our Annual Convention an event of major proportions in philatelic circles, but since they are in the formative stage, it is not yet possible to announce them.

Please note carefully the following Exhibition and Auction Plans:

THE C.P.S. CONVENTION EXHIBITION

- CLASSES:**
1. Pre-Confederation Provincial Issues
(B.C., N.S., N.B., P.E.I. and 1851-9 issues of Province of Canada)
 2. Dominion of Canada Victoria Issues Only
 3. Dominion of Canada, Edward, Geo. V and Geo. VI Issues only
 4. Newfoundland
 5. United States of America
 6. British Empire and Commonwealth
 7. Foreign Countries
 8. Covers and Cancellations
 9. Topical Collections
 10. Club Exhibits
 11. Junior Exhibits (16 years or under)

PRIZES: 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each class.

TROPHIES: "Brisley Trophy" for best entry in the exhibition
 "Ford Trophy" for best Club entry.
 "Canadian Stamp Dealers Association Trophy" for the entry voted on by the public as being, in their opinion, the best entry.

ENTRIES limited to not over 12 album pages per class.

ENTRY FEE - \$1.00 per class.

Notification of intention to enter in the Exhibition must be sent to
 HAROLD L. JOHNSTON, 402 VICTORIA ST., LONDON, ONT.
 and entries must be received by him not later than April 15th, 1952

SPECIAL CONVENTION AUCTION

Members of the C.P.S. are invited to enter lots in the Special Convention Auction, to be held in London, Ont., in conjunction with the Annual Convention of the Society - April 17, 18 and 19, 1952.

Please note the following rules:

ALL LOTS FOR THE AUCTION MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 1st, 1952.

All items must be in first-class condition, and must have a Catalogue Value of at least \$2.00 per lot.

All stamps or sets comprising a lot must be suitably mounted, and entries must be accompanied by a descriptive list.

Mail bids will be accepted in addition to bids from the Convention Floor, and a list of all lots will be printed and distributed to all C.P.S. members in ample time to permit the sending in of mail bids. To permit this, we remind you -

CLOSING DATE FOR AUCTION LOTS - MARCH 1st, 1952

Send your Auction Lots Immediately to - L. Winder
c/o C. N. R. Telegraph,
London, Ontario.

SALES DEPT. NEWS

In the five months from Aug. 15, 1951 to Jan. 15, 1952, sales through the Department were over \$2,500.00 a big increase over the corresponding period of 1950-51. There's a big demand for good Canada at right prices, including Plate Blocks, O.H.M.S., etc., as well as the regular issues. And there's plenty of boosters for other things beside Canada also. Rare or common, somebody's looking for what you have to sell.

Some will purchase nothing but finest copies, others are satisfied when the copies are 'good' and the price fair. It takes all kinds of stamps to make a Philatelic World.

So if you have an accumulation of surplus material why not send in some of it to the Sales Circuit Books for a little quick profit on your inventory. Then use the money you earn to buy up some of the other fellow's bargains.

The service you receive from this department is direct and no chain gangs to worry about. More and more members are taking advantage of this service both for buying and selling - over 100 members or clubs use the services of our Sales Department regularly - still there's room for lots more, so write,

Cyril Woodhead, Manager,
C.P.S. SALES DEPARTMENT
123 Albertus Ave.,
Toronto.

P.S. - Send for some blank books, in which to mount your duplicate stamps. Ask for 50¢ or \$1.00 worth, sold to you at cost.

REGINA PHILATELIC SOCIETY REPORTS

Philatelic circles in Regina are kept active by this alert Society, who meet every Sunday of the year in the Y.M.C.A., Regina.

Since most of their members were unable to attend Capex, they staged their own show in the Regina Library during Capex Week, and it attracted great attention.

One of their November meetings was devoted to hearing impressions of Capex, by Harold S. Canham, of Regina who was able to take in the Show.

In December, their Annual Meeting re-elected Harold S. Brown to his 4th term as President; Vice-President is Fr. J. S. McGivern; Secy.-Treasurer - Ron R. Doxsee, who forwarded this report. Reports presented showed 16 new members, and an excellent year both in point of interest and financially.

Visitors to Regina are cordially invited to attend their meetings any Sunday afternoon in the year in the Y.

NORTH TORONTO CLUB CAMPAIGNS FOR C.P.S.

The January Bulletin of the North Toronto Stamp Club indicates that the club is making a drive to interest its members in joining the C.P.S. It is the home club of several C.P.S. Directors and Officers and already many of its members are in our ranks.

Plans are now well advanced along the road to their big Annual Event - the North Toronto Club Exhibition, one of the biggest events of its kind in this part of Canada. It's scheduled to be held on March 22nd, and members in the Toronto area should keep the date open. We'll be hearing more of it later.

LIBRARY CORNER

The Library has only one object - to give members information on whatever they require in pursuit of their hobby. It is one more way of maintaining cordial relations between us. We are happy that more and more members are making use of the facilities provided.

This month, we want to give you a little general information of interest:

Those who are interested in stamps of the Gold Coast will enjoy an article in the October Number of "Philately" entitled, "Gold Coast - Its Stamps, History and Constitutional Development", by Ronald Ward. If you'd like to see it a copy can be seen by applying to the Librarian.

In the Canada Section, we have to hand a little book "Canada's Major and Minor Varieties from 1897 Up", by an Ottawa member of the C.P.S., Hans Reinoh. It is a valuable guide, not only to the specialist, but to those trying to build up a modern Canadian collection. The word "Up" is no mistake. A variety in the Revised Current Issue is listed.

Corner Plate Block fans will be interested in "The Canada Plate Block Catalogue" by Major K. Hamilton White. It's the real McCoy for those interested in this very popular phase of Canadian collecting. Very thorough and full of detail. So much up to date that the scarce plate 6 of the 4¢ organe is listed.

Send us a few cents postage for any of these three interesting items. And if you're interested, tell us you'd like to go on the circuit to get copies of Scott's Monthly Journal which is being circulated by the Librarian.

"Scratch types" continue to draw many letters. As there are so many of these scratches through "Canadian Bank Note" it would seem that cracks developed in the plates at the imprint location which became heavy jagged lines before they were removed from the press. Examples in possession of Donald B. Thompson run from mere scratches to very heavy jagged lines.

Anybody like other varieties discussed? If so, we'll be pleased to take it up in this column.

Herb Buckland, Librarian,
Port Perry, Ontario

DID YOU HEAR THIS?

Saturday, January 12th, was C.P.S. Day on the C.B.C. Stamp Club of the Air. On that occasion, George Wegg, subbing for President Bert Beulch (who was out of town), Treasurer Fred Green, Directors Doug, Patrick and Bill Freeman, and your C.P.S. News Letter Editor, all told collectors from coast to coast just how the Canadian Philatelic Society works.

The operation of the Library, the Sales Department, the Club Publications, the work among Junior Clubs, how to organize a Stamp Exhibition, and further details of your Society, were all dealt with, and collectors everywhere invited to write for details of the special rate now available through our Membership Campaign. Copies of the News Letter & the Philatelist were also offered. Doug reports there is already a splendid response.

The C.B.C. Stamp Club of the Air - every Saturday at 12.30 E.S.T., directed by our own C.P.S. Executive Member, Doug, Patrick, often features some of our C.P.S. members, and is always worth a listen. Put it on your 'must' list.

HELP FOR JUNIOR CLUBS

Some time ago, at the Windsor Convention, Director Fred Green heard of a group of collectors in Stratford, who were not organized into a club and decided he should send them some memento of our Society. Learning the name of one interested collector, he forwarded to him a souvenir of the Convention with a first-day cover and information about our Society.

That collector, Mr. Eric Rushton, became a C.P.S. member, and shortly, 15 other collectors met to organize a club - and the Stratford Philatelic Society was an accomplished fact. It is now quite successful and most enthusiastic, and has its quota of CPS members.

More recently he heard of a number of Juniors 8-13 years old in the same area who wanted to join a Stamp Club and again he called on Eric, resulting in a Junior Club with 24 members, meeting on Saturday mornings at Mr. Rushton's home, with an average attendance of 18. They have a well organized group where members are encouraged to talk about their stamps, how best to mount them, etc.

Juniors everywhere will always be likely to find a C.P.S. member ready to give them a lift with collecting.

THE C.P.S. DONATION AUCTION

Last month in the News Letter, we inaugurated a series of small auctions of material donated to the C.P.S. for the purpose of aiding Society finance. Ten lots were put up for auction in the first list, and mail bids were invited from members.

It was not our thought that these lots would be high value sets, or sets out of the reach of the average collector - rather moderate priced items, of a desirable type that would draw bids from the medium collectors rather than the far-advanced ones. In this way it provides an auction of more general interest, in which most of us can enter. And that was the result obtained, for we received many bids -- not a single lot was neglected -- and the total of the best bid on each lot totalled a little over half catalog. As a result over \$30.00 net was realized for the C.P.S. Treasury. This and subsequent auctions - not necessarily each month - will help us to maintain the services we have promised to members, despite a seasonal lack of funds.

Material for last month's auction were all the donations of the Treasurer and your News Letter Editor. The 2nd Donation Auction, which reaches you in this issue, is material donated to us by The President, The Secretary, and by R. M. Watson, of Montreal. The thanks of the Society to each of them.

Successful bidders have been notified. In one case three equal bids were received for one lot, and in this case we had a person outside our Society draw for the winning bidder. All could not win - but thanks to all who sent in bids - we hope the unsuccessful bidders will try again.

THE SECRETARY SAYS!

Elsewhere in this issue are some of the details of the forthcoming Convention of the Society to be held in London - April 17, 18 and 19, under the auspices of the London Philatelic Society. The Executive hope that all members will rally and support those of the London Club who have accepted responsibility for this great event.

Members can help us by letting us know of their intention to be present, because if sufficient so advise us, we will take steps to secure some special concession in the form of reduced railway fares.

You will also need to book your hotel accommodation early, so decide right away that you will be among the delegates and drop a line to the Secretary. He will send you any further information you may require.

Our membership continues to advance. Recently, as advised in this publication, a number of members who were in arrears had to be removed from our rolls, and were so advised by mail. Many of them, on receipt of this advice, promptly renewed their membership, while others have become members as a result of our Membership Campaign now in progress.

Incidentally, our Campaign Chairman, Miss Mae Henselman, of Brentford, is still seeking your support for her campaign. Don't forget there's worthwhile prizes to be won by those securing the most new members for C.P.S. so you'd better write her at 207 Dalhousie Street, Brentford and get a supply of the special Campaign Application. Your friend will profit by the special rate.

Many thanks to some of our recent renewing members who not only sent in back dues, but renewed for 1952 also.

C. Woodhead, Secy.,
123 Albertus Avenue,
Toronto, Ont.

MORE NEW MEMBERS FOR C. P. S.

<u>Memb. No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>City</u>
5438	J. Hughes	15 Machar Ave.	Port Arthur, Ont.
5439	R.H. Outram	198 Pacific Highway, Linfield,	Sydney, Australia
5440	A. D. Worth	306 Stanley Avenue	St. Lambert, Que.
5441	C. W. J. Jackson	240 Rose Park Drive	Toronto, Ont.
5442	Mrs. W. Caldwell	96 Manitoba St.	Toronto, Ont.
5443	H. W. Gladwin	222 Olive St.	St. James, Man.
5444	R. D. McCullough	10025 - 83rd Ave.	Edmonton, Alta.
5445	W. L. Todd	170 Inglewood Dr., R.R.3,	Port Credit, Ont.
5446	A. B. Macmorine	3597 Jeanne Mance St.	Montreal, Que.
5447	C. H. Magee		Fair Vale, N.B.
5448	Mrs. K. Roestad	525 St. Foy Road	Quebec, Que.
5449	W. B. Scott	P.O. Box 630	Windsor Mills, Que.
5450	E. C. Fowler	162 Portage Rd. S.	Niagara Falls, Ont.
5451	G. G. Thomson	56 Brock Street	Kingston, Ont.
5452	David Abbott	Mt. Allison University,	Sackville, N.B.

"NEWS LETTER" TO CARRY ADVERTISING

Requests have been received from members who wish to run small display or classified advertisements in the "Canadian Philatelist". After consultation on the subject, the Board of Directors, together with the editors of the "Philatelist" and "News-Letter" have decided that small advertisements are not economically practical in the "Canadian Philatelist" but such a service could be given members through the "News-Letter". Also, the "Canadian Philatelist" being a quarterly publication it is not possible to give small advertisers the continuity desired.

It has been decided, therefore, that commencing with the next issue - February - the News-Letter will be enlarged to eight pages instead of four, and space allowed therein for advertising of both classified and display types, as follows:

1. - CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS - which will appear under a column headed - "MINI-ADS", will be in the same type style as the general columns of the "News-Letter", and will not be displayed, except for the use of Capital Letters in headings or key words. Use them to - offer stamps for sale - seek those you want to buy - seek correspondence or exchanges with other members - or any other way you wish.

THE COST - 25 words or less - \$1.00
Over 25 words - .05 per word extra.

2. - DISPLAY ADVERTISEMENTS - for sale in units of 1 column by one inch depth - or multiples thereof. Advertisements in this section will be typeset, with display headings where required. For illustrations, we require only a printed copy for photographing - no need to send electros. Please note that when the "News Letter" is photographed for reproduction, copy is reduced in size by 1/3. The 1" rate is for the actual printed size appearing in the "News Letter".

THE COST - \$3.00 per column inch.

Minimum circulation of the "News Letter" - 1300 copies monthly. Issued once monthly - closing date for advertising - 15th day of each month. Publication mailing date - 25th of month.

Because most advertisements will be small and the cost low, all advertising copy should be accompanied by remittance, it being impractical to collect small amounts afterwards.

Cash and cheques, together with advertising copy, should be sent to the News Letter office - Room 220, 73 Adelaide St. W., Toronto. - Cheques payable to the Canadian Philatelic Society.

CONTACT YOUR FELLOW COLLECTORS THROUGH NEWS LETTER ADVERTISING.

THE SECOND C.P.S. DONATION AUCTION

Last month the First Donation Auction was well received and yielded about \$30.00 to the C.P.S. Treasury. This month, we haven't quite as many lots, but there are some nice ones well worth going after. Tear off this page and mark in your bid in the BID COLUMN at the right, and mail to the C.P.S. News Letter, Room 220, 73 Adelaide St. W. Closing date for bids - February 20th.

<u>LOT NO.</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>CAT.</u>	<u>YOUR BID</u>
1	BERMUDA COMMEMORATION SET - 1620-1920 $\frac{1}{4}$ d., $\frac{1}{2}$, 1, 2, $2\frac{1}{2}$, 3, 4, 6, 1/-, all mint, full gum, excellent condition except slight tear in $\frac{1}{4}$ d.	\$19.10
2.	MONTSEERRAT - Current George VI Issue $\frac{1}{2}$ d to 5/-, mint, beautiful copies	
3.	NEWFOUNDLAND - Coronation Set - 1937 - 11 stamps - $1\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to 48¢	
4.	CANADA - mint block of 4 - $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ 1897 Jubilee. Full gum, but considerably off centre. Make an offer.	
5.	A Collection of 14 covers from all parts of the world - interesting items for the cover collector - Belgium, Germany, Italy, Czech, Gr. Britain, S. Africa, Switzerland and others. This is a "gambler's" item - we can't describe them all. Also a mint set of current Sweden thrown in.	
6.	THE TID-BIT OF THEM ALL SIERRE LEONE WILBERFORCE ISSUE. Beautiful Mint Copies complete to the 2/- value. 10 stamps. Better grab this one before we do it ourselves.	\$32.20

TEAR OFF THIS PAGE AND RETURN IT AS YOUR BID SHEET

Please accept my bids for the items listed above. On receipt of your advice, if I am the lucky bidder, I will remit the amount stated.

NAME MEMB. NO.....

ADDRESS CITY.....